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Academic Policy
AWARDING POSTHUMOUS DEGREES/DIPLOMAS/CERTIFICATES

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Undergraduate Students

In the event of the death of a Millersville University undergraduate student, the University may grant the degree/diploma posthumously to the family if the student was in good academic standing and had earned at least 90 credits (senior status).

Graduate Students

Diploma/Degree

Upon the death of a graduate student, a majority of the graduate faculty of the academic program in which a student was enrolled may recommend to the Dean of Graduate Studies and Research that a diploma be awarded. This recommendation may be made if the student was enrolled in the last semester of the program at the time of death. The Dean will review the student's current progress and past record to determine whether the student was in good academic and good professional standing. The Dean may recommend to the Provost that a student who is in good standing be awarded a graduate degree posthumously.

Certificate

Upon the death of a graduate student, a majority of the graduate faculty of the academic program in which a student was enrolled may recommend to the Dean of Graduate Studies and Research that an official Certificate of Attendance and Good Academic Standing be awarded. The Dean will review the student's current progress and past record to determine whether the student was in good academic standing and good professional standing at the time of death. The Dean may recommend to the Provost that a student who was in good standing be awarded a certificate posthumously.