BROOKDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE COLLEGE REGULATION

6.1702R

I. Title of Regulation

Awarding of Posthumous Degrees

II. Objective of Regulation

To recognize the achievement of the deceased student through the award of a posthumous degree, and to establish procedures and criteria for the awarding of posthumous degrees.

III. Authority

Board of Trustee Policy 5.1000 Standards for Granting Degrees and Certificates

IV. Regulation Statement

Brookdale Community College is committed to supporting families of deceased students. All members of the college community are encouraged to notify the Registrar or Vice President, Student Success upon learning of the death of a student.

Students may be nominated for a posthumous degree by any member of the college community. Posthumous degrees will be awarded for a deceased student based upon the recommendation of the Vice President, Student Success.

Posthumous degrees may be awarded at commencement or an equally appropriate event. The following criteria will be considered before awarding a posthumous degree:

- 1. Official student status was 'active.' Requests should be made within two years.
- 2. At least 50% of all course requirements for the degree must have been completed. May include transfer credits.
- 3. The student must have been in good academic standing with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher, for all courses included in the degree program.
- 4. The student is in good standing financially.
- 5. The student is in good standing with Judicial Affairs.

An exception to the above listed criteria may be granted to a student who was serving in the armed forces. All exceptions must be approved by the Vice President of Learning.

A Certificate of Recognition, in honor of a student's significant academic and leadership contributions to Brookdale, may be provided posthumously for students who do not meet the criteria above. Students may be nominated for a Certificate of Recognition by any member of the college community. The student must have been in good academic standing with a cumulate grade point average of 2.0 or higher, for all courses included in the degree program. Certificates of Recognition will be awarded based upon the recommendation of the Vice President, Student Success and the approval of the Vice President of Learning.

The Vice President, Student Success, shall be responsible for developing and maintaining procedures that are consistent with this regulation.

V. Responsibility for Implementation

The President

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See also: 6.1700R Eligibility for Graduation