

UF Honorary Degrees

First	Middle	Last	Recipient Information	Recognized
Arthur	S	Adams	President, American Council on Education. Prominent in fields of science and education and in military service as a Naval Officer	February 1956 LLD
Linda		Aiken	Known worldwide for advancing quality patient care through research and health policy work.	May 2006 DSc - Nursing
Colon	Eloy	Alfaro	Diplomat of Ecuador. Representative of his country in many parts of the world. Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the USA	June 1950 LLD
Ralph	Herbert	Allee	Internationalist, agriculturist, former rep of State Department and US Department of Agriculture; Director of American Institute of Agricultural Sciences, Turriabla, Costa Rica	March 1948 DSc
Arthur	C	Allyn Jr	Chairman of A.C. Allyn and Co. and Director of Emeritus of the Allyn Museum of Entomology in Sarasota. Former President of the Chicago White Sox. Former partner of Francis I. dePont and Co.	December 1981 DSc
Clyde	O	Anderson	Physician, medical statesman, philanthropist, counselor. Received A.H. Robins Award of the Florida Medical Association 1965. President Alumni Association and University of Florida Foundation, Inc. Served on original Advisory Committee to J. Hillis Miller Health Center. Received Significant Alumni Award from UF 1957	April 1966 LLD
George	E	Andrews	One of the most important and influential mathematicians of our time. He is the world's top expert on the Theory of Partitions and the work of the Indian mathematical genius Srinivasa Ramanujan	December 21, 2002 DSc
William	E	Anspach Jr	Founder of the Anspach Effort, one of the largest manufacturers of neurosurgical and robotic power tools	December 2013 DT - Medicine
Lourdes		Arizpe	Researcher and professor anthropology at the National Autonomous University of Mexico who made exceptional contributions to the development of feminist studies in Mexico and Latin America	Spring 2010 DHL - CLAS
Richard	K	Arnold	Outstanding leader and research scientist in forestry, with US Forest Service, Research Division until retirement. At time honorary degree was awarded, he was Assistant Vice President for Research, L.B. Johnson School of Public Affairs	October 1976 DSc
Reubin	O'Donovan	Askew	JD 1956, UF. Former governor of Florida. Served in Florida House of Representatives and Florida Senate. Appointed US Trade Representative during President Carter's administration	April 1983 DPS

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John	V.	Atanasoff	Distinguished engineer and inventor, invented first electronic digital computer	August 1974 DSc
Norman		Augustine	Former president and CEO of Lockheed Martin Corp. then went on to become an engineering professor at Princeton University until 1999. He holds 50 honorary degrees and was selected by Who's Who in American and the Library of Congress as one of the 50 Great Americans	December 2013 DT - Engineering
Roger	W.	Babson	Prominent statistician and economist. Helped further interests of the state	May 1927 LLD
Willis	Manville	Ball	Editor of Florida Times Union (Jacksonville) 1902-47	May 1942 LLD
Walter	L (Red)	Barber	An author, lecturer and sports commentator who has reached the top of this chosen field	August 1970 LittD
Thomas		Barbour	Naturalist, teacher, author, world traveler. Director, Harvard Museum of Comparative Zoology. Interest in Florida's wildlife and natural history. Presented UF with famous terrestrial Miocene vertebrate locality in Gilchrist County	May 1944 DSc
Alben	William	Barkley	Represented Kentucky in the House of Representatives and Senate 1927-48. Vice President of USA	October 1949 LHD
Barry		Barrish	Linde Professor of Physics who conducted experiments that revealed the quark substructure of the nucleon	May 2007 DSc - CLAS
Lucius	Durham	Battle	Skillful diplomat and an effective administrator	March 1970 LLD
Fuller	W	Bazer	Scientist whose discoveries have greatly advanced knowledge in reproductive biology in domestic animals and offered insight into signaling and regulatory processes that impact human health	Fall 2009 DSc - CALS
Robert	Colder	Beaty	Director of National Youth Administration in Florida; Dean of Students, Dean of Men, Dean of Student Personnel, Director of Alumni Loyalty Fund, UF	June 1969 LHD
Walter		Beinecke Jr	Active in business, ranching, historic preservation, health planning, education and refugee rehabilitation. Served as Vice President of Sales for S & H Green Stamp Company, 15 years	March 1980 DHL

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Charles		Bennett	Served in US Congress for 44 years; set an all-time record by not missing a single legislative vote for 41 years. Author of seven books on Florida history. Decorated five times for combat service in WWII	August 1994 LLD
Ronald	S	Berman	Scholar, humanist and writer; Chairman, National Endowment for the Humanities	December 1975 DHL
Alvin	Percy	Black	UF Research Professor Emeritus. Black Hall named for him. Internationally known scientist. Worked on water treatment	June 1978 DSc
William	F	Blackman	President of Rollins College	June 1910 LLD
Albert	Hazan	Blanding	BA 1894, UF Brigadier General in France, 1918-19. Chief of US National Guard Bureau, 1936-40. Member, Board of Control, 1922-36	May 1942 LLD
Boyd	Henry	Bode	Internationally renowned philosopher, educator, constructive critic, author. Greatly concerned with the vital contribution the school should make to achievement of democracy.	January 1953 LLD
Nicholas		Bodor		May 2005 DSc - Pharmacy
Norman	E	Borlaug	Nobel Peace Prize as agricultural scientist, known as "The Apostle of Wheat," with Rockefeller Foundation	June 1973 DSc
Willard	Lee	Boyd	Distinguished educator, author and law expertise; President of University of Iowa	June 1976 LLD
Alan	Stephenson	Boyd	First Secretary of Transportation under President Lyndon Johnson; first Floridian ever to serve as a full-capacity member of the President's Cabinet. President of Airbus Industries of North America	May 1991 LLD
Joseph	L	Brechner	Awarded posthumously. Writer, broadcaster editorialist, newspaper columnist, media executive and owner. Pioneer in television, helped put cameras in courtrooms and funded Freedom of Information Center and chair at UF	May 1990 DHL
Lars		Brink		Spring 2015 DSc - CLAS
Nathan	P.	Bryan	US Senator, 1911-1917. Chair of the Board of Control, later Federal District Judge in New Orleans.	May 1923 LLD

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William	Jennings	Bryan	Eminent statesman and lawyer, churchman and lecturer. Democratic candidate for US President in 1896.	May 1923 LLD
Thomas	Wesley	Bryant	Earned both his Science and Law degrees at University of Florida. Outstanding student and loyal alumnus. Great patriot, lawyer, leader and sportsman	February 1956 LLD
C	Farris	Bryant	Attorney, businessman, and 34th governor of Florida	December 1988 DPS
Ripley	P	Bullen	Noted archaeologist and anthropologist; Became Curator of Florida State Museum, 1952; Curator Emeritus at time of award	March 1976 DSc
Millard	Fillmore	Caldwell	Florida's 28th Governor. Lawmaker, statesman, student of international affairs, tireless worker for higher educational standards in the south. Contributor to civic betterment, national safety	March 1953 LLD
William	F	Callander	Outstanding educator and administrator in field of statistics. Interim director of Statistical Laboratory at University of Florida, and since retiring from active directorship July 1953, continued as consultant	August 1958 DSc
Donald	T	Campbell	Distinguished psychologist and scientist; President of the National Academy of Sciences	March 1975 DSc
Doyle	E	Carleton	Governor of Florida 1929-30. Attorney in Tampa	June 1933 DCL
William	G	Carleton	Distinguished lecturer; UF faculty 36 years, political science; author; nicknamed "Wild Bill," an endearment related to his vigorous delivery and frankness on public questions.	June 1976 DHL
Oliver	C	Carmichael	Scholar, executive statesman, former Chancellor, Vanderbilt University. President, Carnegie Foundation for Advancement of Teaching	March 1948 LLD
Eugene	Terry	Casler	BS 1913, UF. Assisted in founding Nitrogen Fixation Industry of America. State chemist, later chemical director of Florida Phosphate mining company, pioneered development of calcination of phosphate rock and new methods of rock mining and flotation	May 1944 DSc
Turner	Zeigler	Cason	BS 1908, UF. Known for his efforts to develop a medical center here. A great leader in the medical profession of Florida	June 1953 DSc
Thomas		Clark	Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court	December 1971 LLD

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David		Cofrin	Gainesville MD and philanthropist, his many gifts included the basic funding for the Harn Museum	August 1993 DFA
Mary Ann	Harn	Cofrin	Local historian, volunteer and philanthropist	Fall 2012 DHL - CLAS
Benjamin	A.	Cohen	Journalist, linguist, diplomat; appointed Ambassador to United States from Chile, 1939. Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations	June 1950 LHD
Johnnette	B	Cole	President of Spelman College; anthropologist; educator and activist	May 1992 DHL
LeRoy		Collins	Former Governor of Florida; Under-Secretary of Commerce of US; Attorney and national and state leader	June 1973 LLD
Edward		Conrad	President, Florida State College for Women, 1909-41	May 1939 LLD
Aaron		Copeland	Outstanding musician and composer	March 1972 MusD
Dr. Charles	E	Cornelius	Teacher, scientist and academic administrator in Veterinary medicine. In 1971, he became founding dean of UF's College of Veterinary Medicine	June 1982 DSc
Harvey	Warren	Cox	Professor of Philosophy, 1911-20. Dean of Teachers College, 1916-1920	May 1923 LLD
Broward		Culpepper	Distinguished educator	December 1973 LittD
William	Spencer	Currell	President of the University of South Carolina	June 1916 LLD
Colgate	W	Darden Jr	Former Governor of Virginia; Chancellor of William and Mary; President of University of Virginia	March 1948 LLD
John		Dasburg	Chairman and CEO of ASTAR USA, an air freight service company; also former president and CEO of Burger King and Northwest Airlines	May 2014 DC - BUS ADM
Manning	Julius	Dauer	Historian, political scientist, writer, consultant and Distinguished Service Professor. Wrote a classic in early American history and political theory, established the guidelines for reapportionment in Florida and other states, and taught more than 15,000 students during his 50-year teaching career. BA and MA from UF	August 1983 LLD
Edward	E	David Jr	Former Science Advisor to the President of the US and Director of the US Office of Science and Technology; current President of Exxon Research and Engineering Co. One of the nation's strongest advocates for improving engineering and scientific education	May 1982 DSc

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Don Manual de Prado	Y Colon	de Carvajal	Ambassador at Large of Spain. President, Instituto de Cooperacion Iberoamericana	June 1981 LLD
Hernan	Fonseca	de Zamora	Minister of Agriculture of Costa Rica	June 1981 DSC
William	Shepherd	Dix	Librarian, national leader in information retrieval, etc	April 1967 LLD
Johanna		Dobereiner	Prominent scientist and researcher, working mainly with nitrogen fixing capability of grasses	August 1975 DSc
Frank	A	Doggett	Outstanding high school principal; literary scholar; author of special note	April 1967 LittD
Marjory	S	Douglas	A conservationist with a career spanning 70 years. She has given the State of Florida the groundwork for preserving, protecting and recoving its natural resources. She received many honors and awards for her efforts in conservation.	April 1988 LittD
James	C	Downs Jr	Banker, author, lecturer, real estate economist. Senior partner of Downs, Mohl and Co. Chicago	February 1952 DCS
Lester	R	Dragstedt	Research Professor Surgery, UF	June 1969 DSC
Stanley		Drucker	Principal clarinetist of the New York Philharmonic for 49 years and a member of the organization for more than 60 years.	Spring 2010 DM - Fine Arts
John	D	Due	Civil rights visionary, activist, attorney	Spring 2020, DHL - CLAS
Wallace	Odell	Duvall	Leadership in savings and loan industry	June 1968 LLD
Rev. John	Tracy	Ellis	Eminent historian and lecturer	August 1973 LittD
John		Esposito	Scholar, publisher, and intellectual entrepreneur in Islamic religion and Muslim history	Fall 2011 DHL - CLAS
Alvin	Christian	Eurich	Former president, Northwestern University and State University of New York. Exponent of general education for maintenance of a free society. VP, Fund for Advancement of Ed., Ford Foundation.	January 1953 LHD
William		Evans	Leader in pharmacy and pharmaceutical sciences research	Spring 2012 DS - Pharmacy
David	G	Fairchild	Eminent botanist, lecturer, author	May 1939 LLD
Albert	J.	Farrah	First Dean of College of Law, 1910-12. Dean of Law School at University of Alabama	June 1935 DCL

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Chesterfield	Howell	Ferguson	Attorney, industrialist and advocate for higher education	December 1975 LLD
Orestes		Ferrara	Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Cuba to US 1926-30	June 1930 LLD
Frederick	Ellis	Fisher	Alumnus, accountant, businessman, major donor who gave \$6.5 million to the School of Accounting, which was named the Fisher School of Accounting. Served as general chairman of the first university-wide capital campaign to raise \$250 million.	May 1990 DHL
Robben	W	Fleming	Distinguished educator; President, University of Michigan; well-known labor arbitrator and attorney.	December 1974 DHL
Duncan	U	Fletcher	US Senator from Florida 1908-36	August 1933 LLD
Edward	Rawson	Flint	First professor of chemistry at UF. Inspector of Land Grant Colleges from US Dept of Agriculture	June 1919 LLD
William	H.	Foege	Epidemiologist who strategized the eradication of smallpox. Authored more than 160 professional publications. Co-founded what is now called the Task	Spring 2019. Dsc- PPHP
James		Free	Medical doctor and philanthropist; contributed to the development of Gatorade	Spring 2012 DHL - Medicine
Phillip		Frost		Fall 2015 DSc - Pharmacy
Robert	Lee	Frost	Recognized as America's greatest living poet, perhaps the greatest poet of any time	January 1960 LittD
Don		Fuqua	Alumnus, House Representative for Florida and US. At 29, he was the youngest Democrat in Congress. National president of UF's Alumni Association and chair of UF's DC area Regional Capital Campaign	December 1991 DPS
Murray		Gell-Mann	Winner of Nobel Prize for physics; discovered and named the quark. Leader in environmental conservation; served as director of MacArthur Foundation	April 1994 DNR
Samuel		Gibbons	US Congressman, best known for expanding an open and free trade market, value-added taxing, and his contributions to public higher education	Spring 2011 DPS - CLAS
Nahum	N	Glatzer	Internationally recognized Judaic scholar, historian, editor and teacher. Prominent faculty member at Brandeis and Boston universities.	August 1982 DHL

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Julian		Goodman	Outstanding leadership in communication	August 1973 DHL
Ulysses	S	Gordon	Honorary DD, 1930, UF. Presbyterian Theological Seminary. Distinguished pastor, teacher, public servant and friend	May 1963 DHL
George	W.	Gore Jr	President Emeritus of Florida Agriculture and Mechanical University	June 1969 LittD
William	M	Goza	BS 1938 and JD 1941, UF. Attorney, author, anthropologist. Encouraged, supported participated in historical and anthropological studies related to Florida's Hispanic history. UF Distinguished Alumnus and UF's Hall of Fame.	May 1985 DHL
Katherine		Graham	Publisher, widely known for philanthropies in education and arts	March 1971 LHD
Bob		Graham	Former Florida governor and US Senator. Helped to create Bob Graham Centers at UF and University of Miami that focus on public leadership, the Americas and homeland security	May 2006 DPS - CLAS
Robert	A	Gray	Author, educator, civic leader and statesman. Florida's Secretary of State, 1930-1961	April 1964 LLD
John	W.	Griffin	Florida archaeologist; UF alumnus; researcher; scholar; administrator and author	May 1992 DHL
Linton	E	Grinter	Oustanding educator and administrator, UF; Dean, UF Graduate School, 17 years	February 1974 DSc
Sjoerd		Groenman	Emeritus Rector Magnificus, University of Utrecht, the Netherlands. Famous sociologist, supported the University of Florida/University of Utrecht exchange program	March 1977 DHL
Lewis	R	Grosenbaugh	Innovator in the field of forest measurements on international level. His contributions include the theory of point sampling, 3P sampling theory, a milestone in the field of forest sampling, a theory on avoiding Dendrometry Bias in leaning trees. First to use computer technolgoy for analysis	August 1986 DSc
Mason	W	Gross	President of Rutgers, the State University; Chairman of the National Book Committee, philosopher and writer	June 1970 LLD
Johannes		Gross	Editorial Director, Capital magazine, the largest business journal in Western Europe	December 1980 LittD

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Robert		Grubbs	Recipient of 2005 Nobel Prize in Chemistry along with two others who developed the metathesis method in organic synthesis	December 2006 DSc - CLAS
S.	Kendrick	Guernsey	Former International President of Rotary International. VP, Gulf Life Insurance Co. for more than 20 years	February 1952 DCS
Herman		Gunter	BS 1907, UF; Geologist. Contributed to fundamental knowledge of Florida natural resources and helped in development of industry	May 1943 DSc
Samuel		Gurin	Pioneer in marine research. Led in the development of the Whitney Marine Research Laboratory. Interested in marine metabolism and chemoreception in marine organisms.	March 1979 DSc
James	T	Gurney	Attorney. Served as a member of the Board of Control of Florida Institutions of Higher Learning	December 1978 DHL
Rueben	G	Gustavson	Scientist, educator, administrator. Member, Executive Commission of Association of Land Grant Colleges and Universities; Chancellor, University of Nebraska	February 1950 DSc
Virgil	Melvin	Hancher	Professor of Law and President, State of University of Iowa. Attorney, educator, administrator, humanitarian. Member of many learned societies	March 1953 DCL
Philip	S	Handler	President of the National Academy of Science	December 1979 DSc
Nancy		Hanks	Chair of the National Endowment for the Arts, 1969-77. Vice chairman and trustee of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund	June 1979 DFA
John	Alfred	Hannah	Former President, Michigan State College. An internationally known agricultural specialist, distinguished educator, statesman, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Personnel.	March 1953 LHD
George		Harrar	President, Rockefeller Foundation. Taught at University of Puerto Rico, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, and Washington State College. Received Certificate for Meritorious Leadership in Agriculture from UF, 1950	April 1964 DSc
Dr. George	T	Harrell Jr	Research Professor, Duke School of Medicine, 1941-54. Founding Dean, UF's College of Medicine, 1954-64. In 1964, founding Provost for the Hershey Medical Center in Pennsylvania; thus, the first person in US to design and develop two medical schools from their beginning	March 1980 DSc

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Molly		Harrower	A psychologist, teacher, writer, researcher and poet, she is internationally recognized by psychologists and psychiatrists for her contributions to the understanding of personality	March 1981 DHL
Fons	A	Hathaway	AB 1902, UF Superintendent of Public Instruction of Duval County	June 1919 LLD
Arthur	Andrew	Hauck	President, University of Maine, almost 20 years. Eminent educator and administrator	March 1953 LHD
Frederick	A	Hauck	Noted mineralogist, metallurgist and patron of cultural and educational institutions. Instrumental in the productino of materials for the nuclear industry and other strategic, rare and precious metals. Helped develop Gaseous Core Reactors. Mined rare earth from Florida Beaches, president of <u>Continental Mining Processing Co.</u>	August 1984 DSc
Virgil		Hawkins	Civil rights visionary, activist and recipient of UF's first posthumous honorary degree. Sought to integrate the University in the 1950s.	May 5, 2001 LLD
Charles	Homes	Herty	Noted paper chemist; developed procedures for using pine pulp in paper manufacture.	June 1937 DSc
Andrew	H	Hines	Chairman Emeritus of Florida Progress Corp. Credited for the rapid growth and great success of the Florida Power Corporation	Fall 2007 DSc - Engineering
James	E	Hines	Environmental data scientist.	Spring 2022, DSc
William	Terrell	Hodges	Federal judge and chair of Executive Committee of the Judicial Conference of the United States	May 1, 1999 LLD
Spessard	L	Holland	LLB 1916, UF. First President of combined student body. First native son to serve as Governor and US Senator. Well known for contributions to law, education, finance and public works	March 1953 DCL
Mark	D.	Hollis	Chief Engineer, Public Health Service, Assistant Surgeon General of US Outstanding engineer and administrator in field of environmental health	January 1956 DSc
Sidney		Hook	Leading philosopher and educator	December 1971 LHD
Linda	Parker	Hudson	President and CEO of BAE Systems, Inc; USO's 2011 Woman of the Year Distinguished Service award recipient and Fortune magazine's Fifty Most Powerful Women in Business award	December 2014 DSc - Engineering
James	Willard	Hurst	Commencement speaker. Distinguished legal historian, author and educator. Professor of Law, University of Wisconsin	June 1980 LLD

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Karel		Husa	Pulitzer Prize winner in music and a world-renown composer and conductor	Summer 2011 DM - Fine Arts
Archbishop		Iakovos	World-renowned religious leader, civil rights activist, and a crusader in the modern ecumenical movement for Christian unity. Head of the Greek Orthodox Church of North and South America for 27 years. Received Presidential Medal of Freedom from President Carter, 1980	December 1986 DPS
William	K	Jackson	BS 1904, UF. Prosecuting Attorney and US Attorney for Panama Canal Zone. Preident of US Chamber of Commerce	May 1946 LLD
Roe	Lyle	Johns	Distinguished UF Professor, financial consultant, military officer and author	March 1972 DPA
Charles	F	Kettering	Vice President and Director, General Motors Corp. Outstanding inventor, engineer, theoretical scientist, industrialist, philanthropist humanitarian.	March 1953 DSc
William		King	An artist most popularly known for his long-legged metal sculptures	Spring 2011 DFA - Fine Arts
Edward	F	Kipling	Scholar, author, researcher and science advisor; developed DDT and eradicated screwworm fly	June 1975 DSc
James	L	Knight	Built one of the best newspapers, the Miami Herald, and helped establish one of the largest newspaper groups in the nation, the Knight-Ridder Newspapers. He has served twice as President of the Southern Newspaper Publishers Association.	April 1984 DHL
Howard		Lance	Led the development of new and important resources for broadcast communications, defense communications, intelligence and surveillance, and information technology systems for use in health care and Federal Aviation Administration	Spring 2010 DSc - Engineering
Walter		Langbein	Hydraulic engineer, research hydraulic engineer and research hydrologist	March 1971 DSc
Libby		Larsen		Spring 2017 DM - Arts
David		Lawrence Jr	Publisher of the Miami Herald and other major newspapers	December 1993 DJm
David	B.	Lee	Made great strides in malaria control. Upgraded sanitary engineering development in Florida; pioneer in pollution control	June 1968 DSc

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David	M	Lee	Nobel Prize winner in low temperature physics. Was visiting professor at UF and worked with UF faculty	May 2, 1998 DS
Gale		Lemerand		May 2003 DHL
Max		Lerner	Distinguished author, teacher, lecturer	December 1972 LittD
Daniel		Lewis	Dancer, choreographer and educator	Fall 2012 DFA - Fine Arts
Lawrence		Lewis Jr	Business man who was prime mover in historic preservation, restoration and reconstruction of St. Augustine. Since 1965, trustee of Historic St. Augustine Preservation Board.	May 1986 DHL
Robert		Lindgren	President of Randolph-Macon College in Virginia and leader in higher education	Summer 2012 DE - Law
Scott	M	Loftin	Prominent Florida Attorney. 58th President of American Bar Association; Chairman of University Endowment Corp, UF	June 1935 DCL
Adam		Lopatka	Jurist and administrator of international distinction. Director of Institute of State and Law of Polish Academy of Science	June 1980 LLD
George	M	Low	Connected with National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA); Director of Spacecraft and Flight Missions, Deputy Director in Houston, Texas and Manager, Apollo Spacecraft Program Office	June 1969 DSc
Ann		Lurie	Philanthropist and president of Lurie Investments; Ann and Robert H. Lurie Foundation; and African Infectious Disease Village Clinics, Inc	Spring 2009 DPS - Nursing
Frederick	Eugene	Lykes	Prominent Florida Agriculturist and Industrialist. Trustee, University of the South	June 1949 LLD
Andrew	Nelson	Lytle	Writer, teacher and editor of the Sewanee Review	June 1970 LittD
Margaret	E	Mahoney	President of the Commonwealth Fund. Specialized in public policy analysis, educational theory, health care systems and financing	August 1980 DHL
Lucille	M	Mair	A pioneer in women's studies and former ambassador. She has held the highest position of any woman ever in the United Nations. She is currently engaged in research, writing, lecturing, and advising at the University of West Indies.	April 1988 DHL

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Stanley		Marshall	Former president of Florida State University, founder and CEO of James Madison Institute, former president of NASULGC	December 1, 1998 DPS
Eric		Maskin		Spring 2017 DHL - CLAS
Donald	R	Matthews	1953 UF Distinguished Alumnus Award recipient; representative from the 8th District of Florida to the 83rd Congress, 1952-67; Administrator of the Rural Community Development Services, US Department of Agriculture, Washington DC	March 1981 DPS
Robert	B	Mautz	Vice President of Academic Affairs at University of Florida. Chancellor of Board of Regents of State University System	June 1968 LHD
Federico		Mayor	Director-General of UNESCO, Spanish scientist, educator, administrator, philosopher and politician	December 1992 DSc
Maclyn		McCarthy	Vice President of Rockefeller University. Conducted research on DNA and in the fields of microbiology and immunology	June 1977 DSc
Elias Otha	Bates	McDaniel	(pka Bo Diddley) Rock 'n' Roll musician; degree given to his family posthumously	Summer 2008 DFA
Alfred	A	McKethan	BS 1931, UF. Banker, public servant, civic leader, patron of education	August 1981 DC
Harold	Raymond	Medina	Appointed Federal Judge for US District Court, Southern District of New York, May; later Judge of the United States Court of Appeals, Second Circuit. Famed educator, jurist and statesman.	February 1956 DCL
James		Melton	UF alumnus, 1921-23. Prominent actor, artist and singer. Appeared with Metropolitan Opera Association	May 1945 MusD
Arnold		Mesches	Artist best known for exploring contemporary social and historical issues based on his life experience of living in the depression	Spring 2010 DFA - Fine Arts
Neil	Critzer	Miller	(Mrs. J. Hillis Miller) English teacher; Assistant Director for the Wesley Foundation; and head of the Office of Patient Services, J. Hillis Miller Health Center	June 1970 LHD
J.	Hillis	Miller	Internationally known scholar, critic and teacher. Frederick W. Hillis Professor of English at Yale	August 1980 LittD
Jerome	H	Modell		May 2004 DSc - Medicine

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Richard	Vernon	Moore	Chancellor of Bethune-Cookman College in Daytona Beach. President of the College of 28 years prior to his 1975 retirement. Known for contributions to education, black community in Florida, human relations, religious and civic organizations	December 1983 DHL
William		Morgan	Scholar of architecture and archeology	Spring 2012 DA - DCP
Harold		Mowry	BSA 1929 and MSA 1934, UF. Worked at UF's Agricultural Experiment Station. In 27 years of service, he served as horticulturist and as director, 1943-50.	February 1950 DSc
John	A	Mulrennan	Leading entomologist; active in public health programs	December 1972 DSc
Pauli		Murray	Jurist, educator, poet and theologian. First black woman priest ordained by Episcopal Church. Granddaughter of a slave.	March 1978 DH
Helen		Nahm	Distinguished career in nursing and education	June 1971 DSc
Allen	H	Neuharth	Commencement speaker, President of Gannett and Company. Chairman and President of the American Newspaper Publishers Association	March 1980 LittD
Marshall	W	Nirenberg	Shared the 1968 Nobel Prize in Medicine/Physiology with two other US scientists	August 1969 DSc
Stephen	C	O'Connell	Distinguished jurist and university administrator	June 1974 LLD
Jens	N	Oddershede	President of University of Southern Denmark and professor of Chemistry. Best known for his work in molecular electronic structure theory	May 2014 DSc - CLAS
Howard	T	Odum	Graduate research professor emeritus at UF; founder of UF's Center for Environmental Policy	December 19, 2003 DSc - Engineering
Magdalene		Odundo	One of the most respected and celebrated ceramics artists with artwork exhibited in more than 40 solo and 55 group exhibitions across the globe including the Smithsonian and New York's Metropolitan Museum	May 2014 DFA - Fine Arts
Patrick		O'Mahoney	Clergyman	October 1968 DD
Ants		Oras	Eminent scholar and internationally recognized man of letters; Professor Emeritus of English UF	March 1975 LittD
Louis	McDonald	Orr	Internationally known physician, surgeon, medical statesman and researcher, philanthropist, and churchman. Awarded Bronze Star for service as colonel Medical Corps, World War II. Established and operated Louis M Orr Foundation for Cancer Research	August 1960 DSc

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William	H	Parham	Outstanding health administrator, Executive Vice President, Florida Medical Association	May 1974 DHLth
Walter	Clifton	Payne	Served the people of Florida since 1914. Past President, Florida Medical Association, member of its Board of Governors and Chaiman of the Board. Known to all about him as a warm friend, patriotic citizen, eminent scientist and wise counselor.	June 1953 DSc
James		Patterson	New York Times Best Selling Author. Philanthropist. Child literacy advocate.	Spring 2019 Ded- EDU
James	Alfred	Perkins	Outstanding scholar and international educator	February 1974 LittD
R.	William	Petty	Co-founder of Exactech. Doctor of Science.	Fall 2021 DSc- MED
Harry	Melvin	Philpott	Professor of Religion, UF; President of Auburn University	December 1969 LLD
Per		Pinstrup-Andersen	Only social scientist ever to receive the World Food Prize, the agricultural sciences' equivalent of a Nobel Prize 2001	Spring 2010 DS -CALs
Karl		Pister		May 2004 DPS - Engineering
Wilson		Popenoe	Scholar, horticulturist, Ambassador of Good Will from US to Latin America for nearly 40 years. Director of Escuela Agricola Panamericana at Tegucigalpa, Honduras	June 1950 DSc
Lewis	F	Powell	Distinguished lawyer and scholar. President, American Bar Association	April 1965 LLD
Samuel		Proctor		May 2004 DPS - CLAS
J	Crayton	Pruitt		May 2006 DSc - Engineering
Harry		Prystowsky	An internationally recognized leader in obstetrics and gynecology. He has enjoyed an illustrious career as an educator, investigator, physician, and administrator. He has made significant advances in the understanding of maternal and fetal physiology. He has more than 150 scholarly articles to his credit.	December 1988 DSc
Warren	Wilson	Quillan	Nationally influential leader in pediatrics, humanitarian. Contributed many articles to medical and scientific journals.	June 1953 DSc

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Malcolm		Randall	Founder and long-time director of the VA Hospital in Gainesville. Leader within the VA nationally	August 1996 DPS
Marjorie	K.	Rawlings	Well-known author; won O. Henry Memorial Prize and Pulitzer Prize. First woman to receive honorary degree from UF	June 1941 LHD
Nathanial	P	Reed	Assistant Secretary of the Department of Interior for Fish, Wildlife and Parks	March 1972 DPS
J	Wayne	Reitz	President, University of Florida; educator	April 1967 LHD
Walden	C	Rhines		Spring 2016 DT - Engineering
Elliot	L	Richardson	Ambassador-at-Large and Special Representative of the US President to the Law of the Sea Conference. Former US Ambassador to the Court of St. James and served in four cabinet posts - Sec. of Commerce; US Attorney General; Secretary of Defense; Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare	March 1978 LLD
Frank	E	Richart Jr	Distinguished professor and consultant in engineering	August 1972 DSc
Robert		Rietti	Actor, playwright, director, and broadcaster	Spring 2012 DA - CLAS
Chita		Rivera	Broadway actress	Spring 2018
Raymond		Robbins	Social and civic leader; WWI Army officer, lecturer; world traveler. Degree conferred at his home in sanctuary at Chinsegut Hill, Florida, which he gave to US government, June 1941. First UF honorary degree conferred off campus	June 1941 LLD
Charles	A.	Robertson	Professor Emeritus of English and Honorary Curator of Rare Books, UF	December 1969 LHD
Paul	G	Rogers	Prominent Florida Congressman, leadership in legislative affairs especially pertaining to public health	June 1975 LLD
Peter	Henry	Rolfs	Dean of College of Agriculture and Director of the Experiment Station. Later director of a state college in Brazil	December 1920 DSc
John	Barkley	Rosser	Contributor to the field of mathematics and has served as a consultant and panel member for the US Government. Director of the Mathematics Research Center of the US Army at Madison	June 1970 DSc

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Francisco		Sanchez	World renowned astronomer and astrophysicist, key inventor and planner for the construction of the world's largest telescope	Spring 2008 DSc - CLAS
William	Thomas	Sanger	President, Medical College of Virginia. Inspiring leader in advancing medical education in South.	June 1953 DSc
Emsterio	Santiago	Santovenia	Outstanding Cuban, lawyer, writer, historian and statesman	June 1950 LLD
Norman		Sartorius		Spring 2015 DSc - PHHP
David	S	Saxon	President, University of California System; Internationally recognized physicist and leader in higher education administration	December 1982 DSc
Anna	J.	Schwartz	A noted research economist for more than 40 years. She has made major contributions to economics in monetary economics and economic history. She has co-authored several internationally prominent publications on monetary standards with Nobel Laureate Milton Friedman.	December 1987 LittD
Norman		Schwarzkopf	Heroic leader of Persian Gulf War; recognized for environmental and humanitarian work, especially with seriously ill children	March 28, 1998 DPS
William	W	Scranton	Leading educator, state and national public service (former Governor of Pennsylvania)	March 1973 LLD
Harold	Leon	Sebring	Attorney, jurist, and legal educator	June 1968 LLD
Torgny	T	Segerstedt	Rector Magnificus, Uppsala University; internationally known educator, philosopher, lecturer; author	March 1976 DHL
Thomas	M	Shackleford	Justice of the Florida Supreme Court	June 1910 LLD
William	A	Shands	Native son of Florida, legislative leader, statesman, churchman, and farmer; 18 years member of State Senate, honored with Presidency of Senate in 1949.	August 1960 LLD
James	R	Shepley	Commencement speaker, President, Time Inc; Distinguished journalist, writer and businessman	December 1978 DHL
Sir Philip	M	Sherlock	Educator. Secretary General of Association of Caribbean Universities and Research Institutes	August 1977 DHL
Howard	Earle	Skipper	President emeritus of the Southern Research Institute. His research has had a worldwide impact on the treatment of cancer. His research has resulted in approximately 200 publications.	August 1989 DSc

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John	C	Slater	Author of numerous articles on fundamental nature of atoms, molecules and solids	August 1971 DSc
Andrew		Sledd	First UF President to July 1909. Later professor of Bible and Greek at Emory University	June 1909 DD
George	A	Smathers	BA and Law degrees, UF. Representative to DCL, 80th and 81st Congresses, Senator from Florida since 1951. One of Congress' experts on Latin American affairs	June 1961 LLD
Eleanor		Smeal	Co-Founded Feminist Majority Foundation, national and international women's rights activist	Spring 2003 DSc
Chesterfield		Smith	Lawyer, civic leader, statesman, public servant	June 1972 LLD
Dorothy	M	Smith	Professor and Dean Emeritus, UF College of Nursing; pioneer in nursing education	October 1981 DSc
Hamilton		Smith	Nobel laureate, medical doctor, and leading figure in the field of genomics	Fall 2008 DSc - Medicine
William	R	Smith	President, American Bar Association. Tampa attorney.	December 1980 LLD
Mitchell	W	Spellman	Dean, Charles R Drew Postgraduate Medical School. Noted for bringing improved access to medical education for minority students and improved medical care for the inner city	June 1977 DSc
Jeffrey	M	Spieler	A recognized leader in the fight for improving the health and the quality of life of vulnerable populations throughout the world. His advocacy for reproductive health, family planning and the development of better contraceptive choices already has had measurable effect worldwide	December 21, 2002 DPS
Stephen	H	Spurr	UF alumnus. Widely known forester, ecologist, educator and resource analyst. Former VP and Dean of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan; President, University of Texas at Austin	June 1971 DSc
Elvis	J	Stahr	President of Indiana University; educator; lawyer and public administrator	October 1968 LLD
George	H.	Starke, Jr.	Businessman. Long-standing vested member in the Alumni Association and honorary member of Florida Blue Key. First African American enrolled at UF.	Spring 2019. HDL- Law

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Stephen	A.	Stills	Music icon, founding member of iconic bands including Buffalo Springfield, Manassass, Crosby, Stills and Nash and Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young. Philanthropist, including the founder of the Light up the Blues event for Autism Speaks.	December 2018 DM
George	D.	Stoddard	Author, educator, administrator. Former President, University of State of New York, President, University of Illinois and member of President Truman's Commission on Higher Education.	March 1948 LLD
Margretta	Madden	Styles	Nurse, educator, helped establish international standards for nursing. President of International Council of Nurses and American Nurses Credentialing Center. EdD from UF	May 1997 DS
Yuichi		Sugiyama		Spring 2015 DSc - Pharmacy
William	Clark	Thomas	Respected physician, kindly guidance and counsel. Fellow of American College of Surgeons and American Academy of Obstetrics and Gynecology	June 1953 DSc
Wayne		Thomas	Considered foremost authority of Florida Phosphate	March 1970 DSc
William	L	Thompson	Served on State Plant Board; 37 years with Agricultural Experiment Stations of University; retired as Entomologist Emeritus; eminent in citrus industry; author	May 1963 DSc
John	James	Tigert	President, University of Florida, 19 years, beginning 1928. Professor of Philosophy and Head Football Coach, University of Kentucky. Noted administrator, author, teacher, philosopher, friend of youth.	March 1953 LittD
Edith	Bristol	Tigert	Wife of former UF President	October 1968 DHL
Henry	P	Trawick Jr		Spring 2016 - DL - Law
Jerry		Uelsmann	World famous photographer	Fall 2012 DFA - Fine Arts
James	A	Van Fleet	Former professor military science and head football coach, UF. Distinguished in both world wars, Major General; commander of Third US Army Corps in WWII.	April 1946 LLD
Jan		Veldhuis	President of Utrecht University; leader in international education; former Fulbright who promoted that program and others.	September 1995 DPS

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Edward		Villella		May 2005 DFA - Fine Arts
Albert	H	Walker	Director of the State School for Deaf and Blind at St. Augustine	June 1916 LittD
James	Willis	Walter	Industrial leader, Innovator in home building industry; Chairman of Jim Walter Corp.	December 1984 LLD
George	Morgan	Ward	Acting President of Rollins College, member of its Board of Trustees at Rollins	June 1919 LLD
Eugene	L	Wartmann	Member of the Legislature which passed Buckman Act. Member of Board of Control, 1907-29	May 1929 LLD
Thomas	J.	Watson	Business executive, industrial leader. President of International Business Machines Corp., 1919-1951. Chairman of the Board of Directors of IBM.	February 1952 LLD
Olin	E	Watts	Lawyer, civic leader, businessman; Chair, National Conference of Bar Examiners; Chair, Legal Ed. And Admission to the Bar section of American Bar Association	April 1966 LLD
James	Edwin	Webb	Lawyer, industrialist, educator, administrator, leader in space science	May 1963 LLD
Ruth	S	Wedgworth	Businesswoman, farmer, civic and church leader. Instrumental in developing the Everglades as an important farming area. Chosen "Woman of the Year in Service to Florida Rural Progress;" only woman to serve as President of Florida Horticulture Society	April 1965 LLD
Joseph		Weil	Dean Emeritus of UF College of Engineering; established EIES, a visionary in programs as beach erosion, materials sciences, sewage and water, sanitary engineering and nuclear energy	August 1976 DE
Rae	O	Weimer	Distinguished journalist, educator and pioneer in Florida journalism and communications, UF's College of Journalism and Communications developed under his direction, 1949-1968	December 1974 LittD
Arnold	D	Welch	Outstanding scientist and researcher	December 1973 DSc
Allen	S	Weller	Art historian, critic and teacher. Established Krannert Art Museum in Illinois	December 1977 DFA

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Herbert	A.	Wertheim	Founder and President of Brain Power Incorporated; Served on Board of Florida International University; Philanthropic efforts throughout Florida; Inventor of transitional lenses	Spring 2018
James	Bryant	Whitfield	Chief Justice of Florida Supreme Court; longest tenure in history of court. Degree conferred in Tallahassee.	September 1945 LLD
William	Francis (Bill)	Whitman		May 2004 DPS - CALS
Cornelius	Vanderbilt	Whitney	Leader in the arts, sciences, sports, industry and government. Co-producer of first color films, including such classics as "A Star is Born" and "Gone With the Wind". Established the C.V. Whitney Laboratory for Experimental Marine Biology and Medicine at UF. Founded Pan American Airways and the Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting Company.	December 1983 DHL
Elie		Wiesel	Jewish-American professor and political activist; author of 57 books including "Night" a work based on his experiences as a prisoner in the Auschwitz, Buna, and Buchenwald concentration camps. Awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1986	March 2001 / Professor of Humanities / DHL
Jack	K	Williams	Educator; public administrator; Commissioner of Public Higher Education in Texas; University of Tennessee vice president.	October 1968 LLD
George	S	Wise	Lifetime Chancellor of Tel Aviv University. Outstanding educator, businessman and humanitarian. President George S Wise and Co, newsprint manufacturing of Miami	March 1977 DH
C	Vann	Woodward	Sterling professor of history, Yale. Author and lecturer	December 1970 LittD
Rev. Thomas	A	Wright	A Baptist preacher, social activist, entrepreneur, and educator. Four decades of dedicated service to local communities for his contributions during the last half-century as a noted civil right champion in the state of Florida	August 10, 2002 DPS
Philip	Keyes	Yonge	President of Southern States Lumber Company of Pensacola. Chairman, Florida State Board of Control, 1910-17 and 1922-32	June 1921 LLD
E	T	York Jr	Leader in higher education and agricultural development; Chancellor Emeritus of the State University System.	December 1984 DSc
Owen	D.	Young	Lawyer, banker, corporation official, economist, humanitarian. Recipient of honorary degrees from 24 colleges and universities	March 1948 LLD

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Dr. Martin	D	Young	Internationally recognized for research in malaria parasites, one of the most distinguished parasitologist and tropical medicine specialists in the US; former director of Gorgas Memorial Laboratory in Panama	May 1985 DSc