

**Austin Peay State  
University**

## **Posthumous Degree**

### **POLICIES**

**Issued:** May 13, 2022

**Responsible Official:** Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

**Responsible Office:** Enrollment Management

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#### **Policy Statement**

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It is the policy of Austin Peay State University to offer a posthumous degree in an unfortunate event of a student's death during an academic semester.

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#### **Purpose**

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The purpose of this policy is to establish procedures for awarding a degree posthumously.

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#### **Procedures**

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- A. In the unfortunate event of a student's death during an academic term in which it may reasonably be assumed that he or she would have completed all degree requirements, a degree may be awarded posthumously to the student.
  - B. The decision as to the likelihood that the student would have completed his or her work during the term shall be at the discretion of the president.
  - C. Recommendations to the president for awarding a degree posthumously should be in accordance with the established University process for conferral of degrees.
  - D. The special nature of the award should be reflected on all pertinent records.
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#### **Revision Dates**

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**Subject Areas:**

Academic	Finance	General	Human Resources	Information Technology	Student Affairs
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