ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS
POLICY MANUAL

2-220 Awarding of Degrees (formerly 2-201)

Revision Dates

B. ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

A. The universities shall award degrees to candidates who have completed all necessary graduation requirements. Universities may award a degree at the conclusion of any university designated academic term or when the student has completed all degree requirements.

B. Diplomas issued by the universities shall bear the signatures of the chair of the board, the Governor of the State, the president of the university, and as determined by the university, other appropriate university officials, and shall be impressed with the seal of the university awarding the diploma.

C. Facsimile signatures may be used for the names appearing on the diplomas; however, the university shall safeguard the diplomas to protect against the possible distribution to unqualified individuals.

D. The universities may award honorary degrees in accordance with criteria and procedures developed by each university. Each university shall provide advance notice to the board and the executive director of the board of the names of the individuals who are to receive the degrees.

Policy History

2/8/2013 The Board repealed 2-201 and adopted 2-220 in its place.
9/23/2016 Policy revision approved by the Board on second reading.
9/27/2018 Policy revised to reflect “Executive Director” of the Board in place of “President.”
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Related Information