# CAMPUS ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY JUSTIFICATION

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| Date Submitted: | October 15, 2019 |
| Proposed Action: | Approve Update |
| Brief Description: | This policy supports accreditation standard criteria and procedures under which posthumous degrees may be awarded to a University of Colorado Denver or Anschutz Medical Campus student, at the time of their death, prior to completing degree requirements. |

| Desired Effective Date: | January 1, 2021 |
| Responsible University Officer: | Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs  
Interim Vice Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor for Student Success and Achievement |

| Responsible Office: | The Office of the University Registrar |
| Policy Contact: | The Office of the University Registrar |
| Last Reviewed/Updated: | January 1, 2011 |
| Applies to: | Anschutz Medical Campus  
Denver Campus |

**Reason for Policy:** Posthumous degrees are provided to the family of the deceased student with a meaningful acknowledgement of the student’s accomplishments and legacy, while attending the University of Colorado. This policy supports accreditation standard criteria and procedures under which posthumous degrees may be awarded to a Denver Campus or Anschutz Medical Campus student, at the time of their death, prior to completing degree requirements.

## I. REASON FOR PROPOSED ACTION

According to scheduled review, we were asked to review and provide recommended edits to this policy. The edits made were mostly clarifying in nature.
II. STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT IN THE POLICY REVIEW

Provost (2-1-21)
AVC Student Success (L. Bowman, 2-14-20)
Legal (J. Willits, 1-21-20)
Deans (2-21-20)
Dean of Students (B. Bohl, 11-21-19)
Graduate School (12-13-19)
AVC Academic Planning (T. Potter, 11-11-19)
AVC Academic Operations (N. Viveiros, 12-13-19)
University Registrar (C. John, 10-31-19)
ASAL (12-13-19)
AD/ASG (12-13-19)
Policy Coordination Manager (M. Heredia, ongoing involvement)

III. LEGAL REVIEW

A. Do you think legal review would be required for these proposed changes?

Yes

1. If no, please explain. N/A

2. If yes, what is your plan to get the legal review? Ask Legal EA to assign an attorney to review.

3. Date legal review completed: January 21, 2020

4. Person completing legal review: J. Willits

IV. FISCAL REVIEW: Are there any financial (human resources, technology, operations, training, etc.) or other resource impacts of implementing this policy (e.g., cost savings, start-up costs, additional time for faculty or staff, new systems, or software)?  No