



Honorary Degrees Awarded by Washington University
in Chronological Order

- 1859 Nathan D. Tirrell, M.A.
- 1862 John Elbridge Sinclair, M.A.
- 1866 Thomas Metcalf, M.A.
- 1870 William Chauvenet, LL.D.
1870 Major General John M. Schofield, LL.D.
- 1879 Edward Singleton Holden, M.A.
1879 Samuel Treat, LL.D.
- 1882 John Rutledge Shepley, LL.D.
1882 Calvin Milton Woodward, Ph.D.
- 1892 Abram Litton, LL.D.
1892 George A. Madill, LL.D.
- 1897 James Kendall Hosmer, LL.D.
- 1899 Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, LL.D.
- 1900 Regis Chauvenet, LL.D.
- 1901 Edmund Arthur Engler, LL.D.
1901 George E. Leighton, LL.D.
- 1903 Gilbert Burnet Morrison, M.A.
- 1904 John Coalter Bates, LL.D.
1904 Gaston Douay, M.A.
1904 Hugo Munsterberg, LL.D.
- 1905 Charles Walter Bryan, M.A.
1905 William James Samuel Bryan, M.A.
1905 Frederick Morgan Crunden, LL.D.
1905 Samuel Cupples, LL.D.
1905 William Samuel Curtis, LL.D.
1905 Gustavus Adolphus Finkelnburg, LL.D.
1905 David Rowland Francis, LL.D.
1905 John Green, LL.D.

1905 Minard Lafever Holman, M.A.
 1905 Halsey Cooley Ives, LL.D.
 1905 George Edward Jackson, LL.D.
 1905 Richard McCulloch, M.A.
 1905 Francis Eugene Nipher, LL.D.
 1905 George Herndon Pegram, M.A.
 1905 William Galt Raymond, LL.D.
 1905 Marshall Solomon Snow, LL.D.
 1905 William Taussig, LL.D.
 1905 Calvin Milton Woodward, LL.D.

1906 Gustav Baumgarten, LL.D.

1907 Elmer Bragg Adams, LL.D.
 1907 William Henry Black, LL.D.
 1907 William Lewis Breckinridge, M.A.
 1907 James Bryce, LL.D.
 1907 Lillie Rose Ernst, M.A.
 1907 John Priest Greene, LL.D.
 1907 Ethan Allen Hitchcock, LL.D.
 1907 Richard Henry Jesse, LL.D.
 1907 Harry Pratt Judson, LL.D.
 1907 Gardiner Lathrop, LL.D.
 1907 Holmes Smith, M.A.
 1907 William Trelease, LL.D.

1908 Frederick James Volney Skiff, LL.D.
 1908 Walter Barlow Stevens, LL.D.

1911 Charles Nagel, LL.D.

1912 Thomas Lamb Eliot, LL.D.
 1912 Rolla Wells, M.A.

1913 Frederic Alden Hall, LL.D.
 1913 Paul Elmer More, LL.D.

1914 Ben Blewett, LL.D.
 1914 Frederick William Lehmann, LL.D.

1915 Russell Henry Chittenden, LL.D.
 1915 Harvey William Cushing, Sc.D.
 1915 Simon Flexner, LL.D.
 1915 Otto Knut Olof Folin, Sc.D.
 1915 William Crawford Gorgas, LL.D.
 1915 Albert Ross Hill, LL.D.
 1915 William Henry Howell, LL.D.
 1915 Abraham Jacobi, LL.D.
 1915 Theodore Caldwell Janeway, Sc.D.

1915 Abbot Lawrence Lowell, LL.D.
 1915 Franklin Paine Mall, LL.D.
 1915 Rudolph Matas, LL.D.
 1915 Samuel James Meltzer, LL.D.
 1915 William Townsend Porter, Sc.D.
 1915 Henry Smith Pritchett, LL.D.
 1915 Otto Hilgard Tittman, Sc.D.
 1915 George Edgar Vincent, LL.D.
 1915 William Henry Welch, LL.D.
 1915 Nathaniel Wille, LL.D.

1916 Theobald Smith, LL.D.

1917 John William Withers, LL.D.

1918 Edmund Janes James, LL.D.
 1918 Edward Mallinckrodt, LL.D.

1920 Breckinridge Long, LL.M.

1921 Jean Adrien Antoine Jules Jusserand, LL.D.
 1921 Richard Lewis Lloyd, M.S.

1923 Lewis Gustafson, M.A.
 1923 John Carleton Jones, LL.D.

1925 Norman Bruce Carson, D.Sc.
 1925 Christopher Rhodes Eliot, LL.D.
 1925 John Pickard, D.F.A.
 1925 Edward Lansing Ray, LL.D.
 1925 John Blasdel Shapleigh, Sc.D.
 1925 Edmund Hamilton Spears, Litt.D.
 1925 Robert Ernest Vinson, LL.D.

1926 Dwight Filley Davis, LL.D.
 1926 Arthur Eugene Ewing, Sc.D.
 1926 Seeley Wintersmith Mudd, D.Eng.
 1926 Walter Williams, LL.D.
 1926 Pope Yeatman, D.Eng.

1928 The Rev. Henry Branch, LL.D.
 1928 Arthur Holly Compton, LL.D.
 1928 Hugh Macomber Ferriss, M.Arch.
 1928 David Franklin Houston, LL.D.
 1928 Charles Augustus Lindbergh, M.S.
 1928 George Herndon Pegram, LL.D.
 1928 George Canby Robinson, LL.D.
 1928 Frederick Augustus Wislizenus, LL.D.

1929 William Keeney Bixby, LL.D.
 1929 Robert Somers Brookings, M.D., LL.D.

1932 Walter Manny Bartlett, M.S.
 1932 Arthur Elmore Bostwick, LL.D.
 1932 William Greenleaf Eliot, Jr., LL.D.
 1932 The Honorable Henry Joseph Gerlin, LL.D.
 1932 The Right Rev. William Scarlett, LL.D.
 1932 Virginia Elizabeth Stevenson, M.A.
 1932 Gerard Swope, Sc.D.
 1932 William Alanson White, Sc.D.
 1932 Sarah Louise Glasgow Wilson, Sc.D.

1933 Harold Glenn Moulton, LL.D.

1935 Otto Heller, Litt.D.
 1935 Edmund Henry Wuerpel, D.F.A.

1937 The Right Rev. Karl Morgan Block, LL.D.
 1937 Max Aaron Goldstein, LL.D.

1938 Oakes Ames, Sc.D.
 1938 Martin Hill Ittner, LL.D.

1940 Walter Bradford Cannon, LL.D.
 1940 Edward Adelbert Doisy, Sc.D.
 1940 Herbert Spencer Gasser, LL.D.
 1940 Eugene Lindsay Opie, LL.D.

1941 Leigh Cole Fairbank, Sc.D.
 1941 Philip Jay, Sc.D.
 1941 Paul Clifford Kitchin, Sc.D.
 1941 Herman Prinz, Sc.D.
 1941 Alfred Paul Rogers, Sc.D.
 1941 Isaac Schour, Sc.D.
 1941 Lloyd Crow Stark, LL.D.
 1941 Raymond Clair Willett, Sc.D.

1942 Walker Kirtland Hancock, D.F.A.
 1942 Ben Moreell, D.Eng.

1944 Malvern Bryan Clopton, LL.D.
 1944 Edward Hanson Conner, D.Eng.
 1944 Frederick Arnold Middlebush, LL.D.
 1944 Lewis Hill Weed, Sc.D.

1945 Frank Chambless Rand, LL.D.

1946 Davis Preswick Barr, Sc.D.

1946 Frank J. Bruno, LL.D.
 1946 Vannevar Bush, LL.D.
 1946 Joseph Erlanger, Sc.D.
 1946 Enrico Fermi, Sc.D.
 1946 Charles Edward Merriam, LL.D.

1947 Fleet Admiral William Frederick Halsey, Jr., LL.D.
 1947 Charles Franklin Kettering, Sc.D.
 1947 Charles Allen Thomas, Sc.D.
 1947 Harry Brookings Wallace, LL.D.

1948 Lee A. DuBridge, Sc.D.
 1948 Leo Loeb, Sc.D.
 1948 Archibald MacLeish, L.H.D.
 1948 Edward Mallinckrodt, Jr., LL.D.
 1948 George Stoddard, LL.D.

1949 Vilray Papin Blair, Sc.D.
 1949 Phil M. Donnelly, LL.D.
 1949 Daniel Robert Fitzpatrick, Litt.D.
 1949 Paul Gray Hoffman, LL.D.
 1949 Justice Wiley Blount Rutledge, LL.D.

1950 Bernard Mannes Baruch, LL.D.
 1950 Max Beckman, D.F.A.
 1950 Abraham Flexner, Litt.D.
 1950 Ernest W. Goodpasture, Sc.D.
 1950 Charles Brenton Huggins, Sc.D.
 1950 Alexander Suss Langsdorf, Sc.D.
 1950 Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, LL.D.
 1950 Edwards Albert Park, Sc.D.
 1950 Luther Ely Smith, LL.D.
 1950 Eugene Paul Wigner, Sc.D.

1951 Chester Charles Davis, LL.D.
 1951 Vladimir Golschmann, Litt.D.
 1951 George Thomas Moore, Sc.D.
 1951 Frederich Olsen, Eng.D.
 1951 George Bernays Wislocki, Sc.D.

1952 Everett Lee DeGolyer, Sc.D.
 1952 Evarts Ambrose Graham, LL.D.
 1952 Wesley Winans Horner, D.Eng.
 1952 Francis Otto Schmitt, Sc.D.

1953 Charles Belknap, LL.D.
 1953 Archibald Thompson Davison, Litt.D.
 1953 Benjamin Minge Duggar, Sc.D.
 1953 Thomas Stearns Eliot, L.H.D.

1953 Lillian Moller Gilbreth, Sc.D.
 1953 Learned Hand, LL.D.
 1953 Fannie Hurst, Litt.D.
 1953 Isidor Loeb, LL.D.
 1953 James Bernard Macelwane, S.J., LL.D.
 1953 Philip Anderson Shaffer, Sc.D.

1954 Hodding Carter, L.H.D.
 1954 J. Lionberger Davis, LL.D.
 1954 Charles Malik, LL.D.
 1954 Curtis L. Wilson, Eng.D.

1955 Florence E. Allen, LL.D.
 1955 Daniel Kayser Catlin, LL.D.
 1955 Everett R. Clinchy, LL.D.
 1955 Grayson Kirk, LL.D.
 1955 Franc Lewis McCluer, LL.D.
 1955 Powell Bassett McHaney, LL.D.
 1955 John Ira Parcel, Eng.D.
 1955 Paul C. Reinert, S.J., LL.D.
 1955 Carlos P. Romulo, LL.D.
 1955 Abram L. Sachar, LL.D.
 1955 Howard Thurman, LL.D.
 1955 Raymond Roche Tucker, LL.D.
 1955 Earl Warren, LL.D.
 1955 Allen Oldfather Whipple, Sc.D.
 1955 Robert E. Wilson, LL.D.

1956 William Henry Danforth, LL.D. (posthumously, deceased 12-24-55)
 1956 Merle Fainsod, LL.D.
 1956 Paul Abraham Freund, LL.D.
 1956 Howard Foster Lowry, LL.D.
 1956 William McChesney Martin, Jr., LL.D.
 1956 George Herbert Moore, LL.D.
 1956 Robert James Terry, LL.D.
 1956 Arthur T. Vanderbilt, LL.D.
 1956 Robert R. Williams, LL.D.

1957 Frederick Amasa Coller, Sc.D.
 1957 Paul Howard Douglas, LL.D.
 1957 Richard Buckminster Fuller, Sc.D.
 1957 Severo Ochoa, Sc.D.
 1957 Henry Vetsburg Putzel, L.H.D.

1958 Arthur Hobson Dean, LL.D.
 1958 James Smith McDonnell, Jr., D.Eng.
 1958 Howard Joseph Morgens, LL.D.
 1958 Perry Townsend Rathbone, D.F.A.
 1958 William Barry Wood, Jr., Sc.D.

1959 Ronald Storey Beasley, LL.D.
 1959 George Holman Bishop, Sc.D.
 1959 Luther Harris Evans, D.H.
 1959 John Raeburn Green, LL.D.
 1959 Leonard Daum Haertter, LL.D.
 1959 Philip John Hickey, LL.D.

1960 Marland Pratt Billings, Sc.D.
 1960 Mary de Garmo Bryan, LL.D.
 1960 Rolla Eugene Dyer, Sc.D.
 1960 Elmer Ellis, LL.D.
 1960 Ralph Larrabee Gray, LL.D.
 1960 Leif Johan Sverdrup, Sc.D.

1961 Irving Dilliard, LL.D.
 1961 Roy Stanley Glasgow, Sc.D.
 1961 Joseph Lister Hill, LL.D.

1962 Martha May Eliot, Sc.D.
 1962 Carroll A. Hochwalt, Sc.D.
 1962 Herbert Clark Hoover, LL.D.
 1962 Arthur Llewellyn Hughes, LL.D.
 1962 Robert Roswell Palmer, Litt.D.
 1962 James E. Webb, Sc.D. (Feb.)

1963 Mary Ingraham Bunting, LL.D.
 1963 William A. McDonnell, LL.D.
 1963 Richard Peter McKeon, L.H.D.
 1963 John M. Olin, LL.D.
 1963 Charles P. Snow, L.H.D. (Feb. - Founders Day)
 1963 Herman B. Wells, LL.D.
 1963 Logan Wilson, LL.D.

1964 Edna Fischel Gellhorn, LL.D.
 1964 Herman M. Kalckar, Sc.D.
 1964 Richard Purdy Wilbur, L.H.D.

1965 Sister M. Francetta Barberis, S.L., D.H.
 1965 Blanche Frank Ittleson, D.H.
 1965 Morton J. May, LL.D.
 1965 Galo Lasso Plaza, LL.D.
 1965 Edward Mills Purcell, Sc.D.
 1965 Ethan Allen Hitchcock Shepley, LL.D.

1966 Roger Blough, LL.D. (Feb. - Founders Day)
 1966 Carl Ferdinand Cori, D.Sc.
 1966 Manfred Eigen, D.Sc.
 1966 Edwin Herbert Land, LL.D.

1966 Willard Van Orman Quine, Litt.D.
 1966 Stuart Symington, LL.D.
 1966 Carlyn (Mrs. David P.) Wohl, LL.D.

1967 Warren Henry Cole, Sc.D.
 1967 Edward Kennedy (Duke) Ellington, D.Mus.
 1967 John Gardner, LL.D. (Feb. - Founders Day)
 1967 Myron Piper Gilmore, L.H.D.
 1967 Sol Myron Linowitz, LL.D.
 1967 James Albert Michener, Litt.D.
 1967 Marianne Craig Moore, Litt.D.
 1967 Etta Eiseman (Mrs. Mark C.) Steinberg, D.H.

1968 Roger Nash Baldwin, LL.D.
 1968 Serge Chermayeff, D.Art Arch.
 1968 Eleazar de Carvalho, D.Mus.
 1968 James Marsh Douglas, LL.D.
 1968 Carl Joachim Friedrich, Litt.D.
 1968 Arthur Kornberg, D.Sc. (Feb. - Founders Day)
 1968 Benjamin Emanuel Youngdahl, LL.D.

1969 Thomas Bradford Curtis, LL.D.
 1969 Donald Danforth, LL.D.
 1969 Charles Evers, LL.D.
 1969 J. George Harrar, D.Sc.
 1969 Spencer Truman Olin, LL.D.
 1969 James A. Shannon, D.Sc.
 1969 Carl Tolman, D.Sc.
 1969 Mary Wickes, Arts D.

1970 James Barrett Brown, D.Sc.
 1970 Josephine Johnson Cannon, L.H.D.
 1970 Douglas Dillon, LL.D.
 1970 Charles Eames, Arts D.
 1970 Leonard Hall, LL.D.
 1970 Jerome Heartwell Holland, LL.D. (Feb.)
 1970 John H. Knowles, D.Sc.
 1970 Jean Browning Madeira, D.Mus.
 1970 Earl W. Sutherland, Jr., D.Sc.
 1970 Lien-sheng Yang, Litt.D.
 1970 Whitney Moore Young, Jr., LL.D.

1971 Josef Albers, Arts D.
 1971 Howard F. Baer, LL.D.
 1971 Henry Chauncey, LL.D.
 1971 John Ciardi, Litt.D.
 1971 Thomas H. and Lois Jameson Eliot, D.H. (Joint)
 1971 George Benjamin Hartzog, Jr., LL.D.
 1971 Paul M. Herzog, LL.D.

1971 Richard Wall Lyman, LL.D.
 1971 George Mylonas, Litt.D. (Feb. - Founders Day)
 1971 Mona Van Duyn Thurston, Litt.D.
 1971 Felicia Weathers, D.Mus.

1972 Bernard Blume, Litt.D.
 1972 Nancy Hanks, D.F.A.
 1972 George E. Hutchinson, D.Sc.
 1972 Barbara Ward Jackson (Lady Jackson), D.H.
 1972 Jesse Louis Jackson, D.H.
 1972 George Frederick McMillen, D.H.
 1972 Wendell Garrison Scott, D.Sc.
 1972 Antoni Zygmund, D.Sc.

1973 Robert Byron Bird, D.Eng.
 1973 Gwendolyn Brooks, Litt.D.
 1973 Joseph Parker Cosand, D.H.
 1973 Hallowell Davis, Sc.D.
 1973 Eli Goldston, D.H. (commencement speaker)
 1973 Jack H. Hexter, D.H.
 1973 Theodore David McNeal, D.H.
 1973 Frei Otto, D.Art Arch.
 1973 Wallace R. Persons, Sc.D.

1974 Anthony John Calio, D.Sc.
 1974 Charles West Churchman, D.Sc.
 1974 Jose de Rivera, D.F.A.
 1974 Ella Fitzgerald, D.F.A.
 1974 Stephen William Kuffler, D.Sc.
 1974 James Wesley McAfee, LL.D.
 1974 Macler Cleophus Shepard, D.H.
 1974 Charles Henry Sommer, D.Sc.
 1974 DeWitt Stetten, Jr., D.Sc. (Commencement Speaker)
 1974 Charles Edward Wyzanski, LL.D.

1975 John Oliver Bayley, LL.D.
 1975 Arthur Buchwald, D.Journ. (Founders Day)
 1975 August Anheuser Busch, Jr., LL.D.
 1975 John Hope Franklin, D.H.
 1975 Carl Gustav Hempel, D.Sc.
 1975 Heinrich Maria Ledig-Rowohlt, D.H.L.
 1975 Iris Murdoch, Litt.D.
 1975 James Lee O'Leary, M.D., D.Sc.
 1975 Walter Susskind, D.F.A.

1976 Stephen Davison Bechtel, D.Eng.
 1976 Jessie Bernard, D.H.
 1976 Maxwell Leo Bohanon, D.H.
 1976 David Brinkley, D.Journ. (Founders Day)

1976 Arthur Frank Burns, LL.D.
 1976 Clark McAdams Clifford, LL.D.
 1976 Irving Edison, LL.D.
 1976 Viktor Hamburger, D.Sc.
 1976 Ada Louise Huxtable, D.H.
 1976 Charles Irwin Schottland, D.H.

1977 Thomas Brokaw, D.Journ. (Founders Day)
 1977 Morris Carnovsky, D.F.A.
 1977 James Rutherford Fair, D.Sc.
 1977 Walter Gellhorn, LL.D.
 1977 Hugh Morris Gloster, Litt.D.
 1977 John Kyle Gustafson, D.Sc.
 1977 Carla Anderson Hills, LL.D.
 1977 Martin David Kamen, D.Sc.
 1977 James Smith McDonnell, Jr., M.D.
 1977 Eudora Welty, Litt.D.

1978 Robert Halladay Dean, LL.D.
 1978 Ralph Follen Fuchs, LL.D.
 1978 Charles Guggenheim, D.H.
 1978 John Jay McCloy, LL.D.
 1978 Sir Peter Brian Medawar, D.Sc. (Founders Day)
 1978 Alton Ochsner, D.Sc.
 1978 William H. Webster, LL.D. (Founders Day)
 1978 Margaret Bush Wilson, LL.D.

1979 Germaine Bree, D.H.
 1979 Harold Eugene Edgerton, D.Sc.
 1979 Leigh Gerdine, D.H.
 1979 Samuel Milton Nabrit, D.Sc.
 1979 Daniel Nathans, D.Sc.
 1979 Alwin Nikolais, D.F.A.
 1979 Roy Wilkins, L.H.D.

1980 Louis Clark Brock, D.H.
 1980 Dietrich Gerhard, D.H.
 1980 Philip Handler, D.Sc.
 1980 William Edward Simon, LL.D.
 1980 Mildred Trotter, D.Sc.
 1980 Siegfried Unseld, Litt.D.
 1980 Pindaros Roy Vagelos, D.Sc.

1981 Mildred Cohn, D.Sc.
 1981 Katherine Dunham, Arts D.
 1981 Edward Thaddeus Foote II, LL.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 1981 Oliver Howe Lowry, D.Sc.
 1981 Donald Franchot McHenry, LL.D.
 1981 Gustav Kurt Mesmer, D.Sc.

1981 Leonard Slatkin, D.Mus.
 1981 Harold Eugene Thayer, LL.D.
 1981 Simon Wiesenthal, D.H.

1982 Andrew Felton Brimmer, LL.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 1982 Sir Godfrey Newbold Hounsfield, D.Sc.
 1982 Lee Hunter, D.Sc.
 1982 Paul Oskar Kristeller, D.H.
 1982 Rita Levi-Montalcini, D.Sc.
 1982 William Henry Mauldin, D.Arts
 1982 Morton David May, LL.D.
 1982 Arjay Miller, LL.D.

1983 Philip Mills Arnold, D.Sc.
 1983 Merle Kling, D.H.
 1983 John Harold Plumb, Litt.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 1983 Roscoe Robinson, Jr., LL.D.
 1983 John Edward Simon, L.H.D.
 1983 Rosalyn Sussman Yalow, Sc.D.

1984 Daisy Lee Bates, D.H.
 1984 Karl Carstens, LL.D. (Founders Day, Oct. 7, 1983)
 1984 Wesley Allison Clark, D.Sc.
 1984 Carlos Fuentes, Litt.D.
 1984 John Weller Hanley, LL.D.
 1984 Bob Hope, D.H. (Commencement Speaker)
 1984 John Arthur Rassias, L.H.D.
 1984 Eli Robins, D.Sc.
 1984 Leon Richter Strauss, D.H.

1985 Leonard Watson Blake, Sc.D.
 1985 Herve Dufresne, D.H.
 1985 Hanna Holborn Gray, Litt.D. (Eliot Honors Speaker)
 1985 Philip Charles Habib, LL.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 1985 A. Leon Higginbotham, Jr., D.H.
 1985 Sanford Noyes McDonnell, LL.D.

1986 Paul Berg, D.Sc.
 1986 Helen Manley, D.H.
 1986 Ralph Ernest Morrow, D.H.
 1986 Klaus Otto August Piper, Litt.D.
 1986 Alvin Francis Poussaint, LL.D.
 1986 Paul Simon, LL.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 1986 Jarvis Aydelotte Thurston, D.H.
 1986 Paul Adolph Volcker, LL.D.

1987 Eugene M. Bricker, D.Sc.
 1987 George H. Capps, LL.D.
 1987 Grace Murray Hopper, D.Sc.

1987 William G. Hyland, LL.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 1987 Fumihiko Maki, D.Art & Arch.
 1987 Gurpreet Singh, LL.D.
 1987 Samuel I. Weissman, D.Sc.

1988 Bernard Bailyn, Litt.D.
 1988 Carroll Behrhorst, D.H.
 1988 Marva Collins, LL.D.
 1988 Thomas F. Eagleton, LL.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 1988 Robert J. Glaser, Sc.D.
 1988 Jack Strominger, Sc.D.
 1988 August Wilson, Litt.D.

1989 Kenneth Joseph Arrow, LL.D.
 1989 John Bernard Ervin, D.H.
 1989 Helen Frankenthaler, D.F.A.
 1989 Henry Eugene Hampton, D.H. (Commencement Speaker)
 1989 Seymour Solomon Kety, D.Sc.
 1989 Howard Allen Schneiderman, D.Sc.
 1989 Sondra Judith Stang, Litt.D.

1990 Zane Edison Barnes, LL.D.
 1990 Bernard Becker, D.Sc.
 1990 Frankie Muse Freeman, D.H.
 1990 William Lester Hadley Griffin, LL.D.
 1990 Walter Eugene Massey, D.Sc.
 1990 Ian Robert Maxwell, Litt.D.
 1990 Gyo Obata, D.F.A.
 1990 Mona Van Duyn Thurston (Commencement Speaker - already received degree)

1991 Oscar Arias Sanchez, LL.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 1991 Purnell Whittington Choppin, D.Sc.
 1991 Ronald H. Coase, LL.D.
 1991 Thomas M. Graber, D.Sc.
 1991 Stanley Frank Musial, LL.D.
 1991 Howard Nemerov, Litt.D.
 1991 Helen Hennessy Vendler, Litt.D.
 1991 Clifton Reginald Wharton, Jr., LL.D.

1992 Frank James Dixon, M.D., D.Sc.
 1992 Marian Wright Edelman, D.H. (Commencement speaker)
 1992 Aaron Edward (A. E.) Hotchner, L.H.D.
 1992 Jacqueline Joyner-Kersee, LL.D.
 1992 Edward Carroll Stone, Jr., D.Sc.

1993 Russell L. Ackoff, D.Sc.
 1993 Stanley Cohen, D.Sc.
 1993 Stanley L. Lopata, LL.D.
 1993 Sybil C. Mobley, L.H.D.

1993 Joseph Pulitzer, Jr., LL.D.
 1993 Harold A. Ramis, D.Arts
 1993 Peter H. Raven, D.Sc. (Commencement speaker)

1994 Bill Bradley, HH.D. (Commencement speaker)
 1994 Rita F. Dove, Litt.D.
 1994 Richard E. Leakey, D.Sc.
 1994 Jane Loevinger, L.H.D.
 1994 I. E. Millstone, LL.D.
 1994 Ernst L. Wynder, M.D., D.Sc.

1995 Johnnetta Betsch Cole, L.H.D.
 1995 Elizabeth Gray Danforth, HH.D.
 1995 John Claggett Danforth, LL.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 1995 Edwin Gerhard Krebs, D.Sc.
 1995 George Edward Pake, D.Sc.

1996 Jane Alexander, D.F.A. (Commencement Speaker)
 1996 James E. Darnell, D.Sc.
 1996 Charles F. Knight, D.Sc.
 1996 Chia-Wei Woo, D.Sc.

1997 William H. Daughaday, D.Sc.
 1997 George Eberle, Jr., HH.D.
 1997 Geoffrey W. R. Palmer, LL.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 1997 William K. Y. Tao, D.Sc.
 1997 Mildred Marie Winter, HH.D.

1998 Floyd E. Bloom, M.D., D.Sc.
 1998 August Adolphus Busch, III, D.H.
 1998 Lynne C. Harvey, D.H.
 1998 Ronald J. Himes, Arts D.
 1998 E. Desmond Lee, D.H.
 1998 George F. Will, Litt.D. (Commencement Speaker)

1999 William H. Danforth, Ph.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 1999 Alvin Goldfarb, D.H.
 1999 Philip Needleman, D.Sc.
 1999 Patricia Scott Schroeder, D.H.

2000 Julian Bond, LL.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 2000 Michael M. Karl, D.Sc.
 2000 Yuan Lee, D.Sc.
 2000 Lee M. Liberman, D.H.
 2000 Mary Miss, D.F.A.
 2000 Alvin J. Siteman, D.H.

2001 Rita Rossi Colwell, D.Sc. (Commencement Speaker)
 2001 Jerome R. Cox, D. Sc.

2001 Robert F. Furchgott, D.Sc.
 2001 Lucy Lopata, D.H.
 2001 Bryan A. Stevenson, D.H.
 2001 Jack C. Taylor, D.H.
 2001 William M. Van Cleve, LL.D.

2002 I. Jerome Flance, D.H.
 2002 Sam Fox, LL.D.
 2002 Ruth J. Simmons, D.H. (Commencement Speaker)
 2002 Harry C. Stonecipher, D.Sc.
 2002 Earl E. Walker, D.Sc.

2003 Madeleine Korbel Albright, D.H. (Commencement Speaker)
 2003 Herman N. Eisen, M.D., D.Sc.
 2003 Douglass C. North, D.Sc.
 2003 Ozzie Smith, D.H.
 2003 William P. Stiritz, D.H.
 2003 Blanche M. Touhill, D.H.

2004 Thomas Friedman, LL.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 2004 Joe Edwards, LL.D.
 2004 David M. Kipnis, D.Sc.
 2004 Theodore McMillian, D.H.
 2004 Robert M. Walker, D.Sc.
 2004 Edith L. Wolff, D.Sc.

2005 Richard Andrew Gephardt, L.H.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 William Howard Gass, D.H.
 Emily Rauh Pulitzer, D.H.
 Robert G. Roeder, D.Sc.
 James Evans Stowers, Jr., D.Sc.

2006 Aaron J. Ciechanover, D.Sc.
 Anna E. Crosslin, D.H.
 Steve Fossett, D.Sc.
 Henry Louis Gates, Jr., L.H.D.
 John F. McDonnell, D.Sc.
 (Sir John Major was the Commencement Speaker. Though offered, he did not accept an honorary degree.)

2007 David C. Farrell, D.Sc.
 Henry Givens, Jr., D.H.
 Paul Harvey, D.Journ.
 Timothy J. Russert, L.H.D. (Commencement Speaker)
 William S. Sly, M.D., D.Sc.
 Shirley M. Tilghman, D.Sc.

2008 Quincy Jones, L.H.D.
 Seng Tee Lee, L.H.D.

- Christopher J. Matthews, L.H.D. (Commencement Speaker)
Phyllis Stewart Schlafly, L.H.D.
Egon Schwarz, L.H.D.
Jessie Lamoin Ternberg, D.Sc.
- 2009 Wendy Kopp, D.H. (Commencement Speaker)
Robert L. Virgil, Jr., LL.D.
Robert Hugh Waterston, D.Sc.
Patty Jo Watson, D.Sc.
- 2010 Steven Chu, D.Sc. (Commencement Speaker)
Brian Jay Druker, D.Sc.
Joanne Parrish Knight, D.H.
Richard Arthur Roloff, LL.D.
Nelson S. Talbott III, LL.D.
- 2011 John Herron Biggs, L.D.H.
Shirley Ann Jackson, D.Sc.
George W. Mallinckrodt, LL.D.
Griffin P. Rodgers, M.D., D.Sc.
Elie Wiesel, L.D.H. (Commencement Speaker)
- 2012 David M. Becker, L.D.H.
Carl Ronald Kahn, Sc.D.
Richard John Mahoney, Sc.D.
Michael B. Peters, L.D.H. (Commencement Speaker)
Gloria Marie Steinem, L.D.H.
Donald Marthell Suggs, L.D.H.
- 2013 Cory Anthony Booker, LL.D. (Commencement Speaker)
Marilyn Rae Fox, D.H.
Martin L. Mathews, D.H.
Juhani Uolevi Pallasmaa, D.Arch.
Peter Rosen, D.Sc.
Howard L. Wood, LL.D.
- 2014 Anthony (“Tony”) La Russa, D.H. (Commencement Speaker)
Henry Wollman Bloch, D.H.
Temple Grandin, D.H.
Vivian Winona Pinn, D.Sc.
David Eric Robertson, L.D.H.
Diana Chapman Walsh, D.Sc.
- 2015 Ken Burns, D.H. (Commencement Speaker)
Mary-Dell Chilton, D.Sc.
Gerald D. Fischbach, D.Sc.
Herbie Hancock, L.D.H.
Susan Talve, L.D.H.

- 2016 Stephen F. Brauer, LL.D.
Paula Kerger, L.D.H.
Jan Staffan Normark, D.Sc.
John R. Lewis, L.D.H. (Commencement Speaker)
Euclid Williamson, D.H.
- 2017 John William Bachmann, LL.D.
Gary Gerard Braun, L.D.H.
Thomas Fearn Frist, Jr., L.D.H.
Anna Quindlen, L.D.H. (Speaker)
David Lloyd Steward, LL.D.
Virginia Verral Weldon, D.Sc.
- 2018 Eric D. Green, D.Sc.
Chris Krehmeyer, L.H.D.
Michael L. Lomax, L.H.D.
Anne-Marie Slaughter, LL.D. (Speaker)
Francis G. Slay, L.H.D.
- 2018 Arthur Peter Mutharika, L.H.D (September 30, 2018)
- 2019 Carol Bruns Bauer, L.H.D.
George Peter Bauer, L.H.D.
Michael R. Bloomberg, LL.D. (Speaker)
Theresa Carrington, D.H.
Wayne D. Fields, L.H.D.
Joseph E. Madison, LL.D.
Charles M. Rice, D.Sc.
- 2020 No in-person Commencement due to COVID-19
- 2021 Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, D.H. (Speaker)
Christopher S. “Kit” Bond, LL.D.
Richard H. Helmholtz, LL.D.
Gerda Weissmann Klein, D.H.
Stuart A. Kornfeld, D.Sc.
Shannon Watts, D.H.
- 2022 Mae Jemison, MD, D.Sc. (Speaker)
Brian K. Kobilka, MD, D.Sc.
Justice Sonia Sotomayor, LL.D.
Andrew C. (Andy) Taylor, D.H.
Barbara Broadhurst Taylor, D.H.
- 2023 Sterling K. Brown, D.F.A. (Speaker)
Maxine Clark, LL.D.
Anthony S. Fauci, D.Sc.
Alphonso Jackson, LL.D.
Paul Michael Lützeler, D.H.

2024 Jennifer Coolidge, D.F.A. (Speaker)
Andrew C. Chan, M.D.
Bethany L. Ehlmann, D.Sc.
Kenneth S. Kranzberg, D.F.A.
Nancy Spirtas Kranzberg, D.F.A.