



Honorary Degree Nomination Form

1. Degree to be Awarded:

Honorary Doctorate Honorary Baccalaureate Honorary Associate

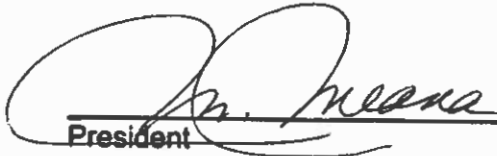
2. Please state the name and address of your nominee for an Honorary Degree:

Sen. Harry Reid

3. Honorary degrees may be awarded to persons who have made significant contributions to the improvement of the quality of academic programs and academic life at the requesting institution, or to distinguished visitors. Person currently holding public elective office shall not be eligible to be nominated for an honorary degree, except that the Board of Regents reserves the right to waive this limitation at its own discretion in extraordinary circumstances.

4. What are your reasons for nominating this person (Attach additional pages, if necessary.)

Please see attachment.



President



Date

University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Institution

2/3/2020
Date

(B/R 1/87, 10/98, 3/03, Added 6/05; A.3/07, 11/07, 12/07)

Harry Reid – Honorary Degree Submission

From his humble beginnings in Searchlight through his ascension as U.S. Senate majority leader – the highest held position for an elected official in state history – retired U.S. Sen. Harry Reid has always been a fierce supporter of Nevada and of UNLV. Sen. Reid served 30 years in the U.S. Senate and is the longest serving senator from Nevada. He is renowned for tirelessly working to improve conditions in Nevada by promoting economic development, investing in infrastructure and clean energy development, and championing Nevada’s role as a world-leader in hospitality, entertainment, and gaming.

Sen. Reid also has believed that higher education is the greatest equalizer for individual prosperity, and the university is a valued resource to solve regional issues. His unwavering passion for the Silver State has often focused on driving continued growth and development at UNLV in all areas, particularly in research. He was instrumental in helping UNLV secure its first supercomputer in 1989, which developed into the National Supercomputing Center for Energy and the Environment; he supported and advocated for numerous federal research grants directed to UNLV; and he helped UNLV secure 122 acres in Southwest Las Vegas for what would become the UNLV Harry Reid Research & Technology Park. The interdisciplinary Harry Reid Center and the UNLV Harry Reid Silver State Research Award – the university’s highest research honor – bear his name.

A strong advocate for campus growth, Sen. Reid also supported the development of UNLV’s young dental school in 2004, securing needed federal funds to purchase necessary equipment. He was also integral in helping UNLV secure more than 2,000 acres of federal land in North Las Vegas for a future campus.

Sen. Reid can often be seen on campus as Distinguished Fellow in Law and Policy in UNLV's Boyd School of Law, and at the MGM Resorts Public Policy Institute in the Greenspun College of Urban Affairs, which he co-founded. With gratitude for his steadfast support of UNLV and decades of passionate leadership on behalf of Nevada and the nation, we respectfully submit Harry Reid for consideration of an honorary degree.