

## HONORARY DEGREES CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY

2025-Dec	No Honoary Degrees conferred
2025-May	No Honorary Degrees conferred
2024-Dec	No Honorary Degrees conferred
2024-May	No Honorary Degrees conferred
2023-Dec	Theodore (Ted) Ginn, Sr. Doctor of Humane Letters
2023-May	No Honorary Degrees conferred
2022-Dec	Lawrence James Travagliante (Kid Leo) Doctor of Humane Letters, Honoris Causa
2022-May	Lily M. Ng, Ph.D. Distinguished Emeritus Faculty Honorary Degree
2021-Dec	Scott Mueller Honorary Doctor of Arts and Humanities Degree
2021-May	No Honorary Degrees conferred
2020-Dec	No Honorary Degrees conferred
2020-May	No Honorary Degrees conferred (virtual commencement)
2019-Dec	No Honorary Degrees conferred
2019-May	Michael Schwartz, Ph.D. (L.H.D.) Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters Degree
2018-May	Carmen Twillie Ambar (L.L.D.) Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Commencement Ceremony and Commencement Speaker
2018-May	Honorable Patricia Ann Blackmon (L.L.D.) Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Commencement Ceremony and Commencement Speaker
2018-May	Honorable Jo Ann Davidson (L.L.D.) Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree
2018-May	Honorable Melody J. Stewart (L.L.D.) Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Commencement Ceremony and Commencement Speaker

2018-Dec      Serena Silvestro-awarded posthumously  
                  A pre-med student who died (in 2018) due to complications from Cystic Fibrosis.

2017-May      William (Bill) M. Denihan (D.P.S.)  
                  Honorary Doctor of Public Service Degree

2017-May      Linda A. Klein (L.L.D.)  
                  Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law  
                  Commencement Ceremony and Commencement Speaker

2017-May      Steven W. Percy (L.L.D.)  
                  Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law  
                  Commencement Ceremony

2017-May      Richard W. Pogue (L.L.D.)  
                  Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law  
                  Commencement Ceremony

2017-May      Dr. Piotr Wilczek (L.H.D.)  
                  Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters Degree and Commencement Speaker

2017-Dec      E. Gordon Gee, Ed.D., J.D. (L.H.D.)  
                  Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters Degree and Commencement Speaker

2017-Dec      Magnolia "Maggie" Jackson, Ph.D. (L.H.D.)  
                  Distinguished Emeritus Faculty Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters  
                  Degree

2016-May      Norman Krumholz  
                  Distinguished Emeritus Faculty Honorary Degree, Doctor of Urban Affairs

2016-May      Robert H. Rawson, Jr. (LL.D.)  
                  Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law  
                  Commencement Ceremony

2016-May      Mary Therese Winifred Robinson (LL.D.)  
                  Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law  
                  Commencement Ceremony

2016-Dec      Richard A. Paul (B.B.A. H.D.)  
                  Honorary Bachelor of Business Administration Degree and Commencement  
                  Speaker

2015-May      Christopher M. Connor (LL.D.)  
                  Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law  
                  Commencement Ceremony

2015-May      Art J. Falco (D.F.A.)  
                  Honorary Degree, Doctor of Fine Arts

2015-May Ira A. Harkavy, Ph.D.  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Urban Studies

2015-Dec Roberta Steinbacher, Ph.D.  
Distinguished Emerita Faculty Honorary Degree, Doctor of Urban Affairs

2014-May Julian M. Earls, Ph.D. (D.Sc.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science

2014-May Toshinori Munakata, Ph.D. (D.Sc.)  
Distinguished Emeritus Faculty Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science

2014-Dec Congresswoman Marcia L. Fudge, J.D. (LL.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws

2013-May Mayor Frank G. Jackson (LL.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws

2013-May Brent Larkin (LL.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law  
Commencement Ceremony

2013-May Dianne McIntyre (D.F.A.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Fine Arts

2013-May Lewis E. Patterson, Ed.D. (L.H.D.)  
Distinguished Emeritus Faculty Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

2013-May Nina Totenberg (LL.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law  
Commencement Ceremony

2013-Dec Congressman John R. Lewis (LL.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws

2012-May Larry C. Glasscock (D.B.A.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Business Administration

2012-May Valarie J. McCall (D.P.S.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Public Service

2012-May Allan D. Waren, Ph.D. (L.H.D.)  
Distinguished Emeritus Faculty Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

2012-March Anna "Annie" Margaret Castor Glenn (L.H.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters, Received at CSU Luncheon  
Celebrating John Glenn's Legacy: 50 Years of Americans in Orbit

2012-March John H. Glenn, Jr. (D.Sc.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science, Received at CSU Luncheon Celebrating  
John Glenn's Legacy: 50 Years of Americans in Orbit

2012-Dec	Steven A. Minter (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2012-Dec	Albert B. Ratner (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2011-May	Lillian W. Burke (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Commencement Ceremony
2011-May	William E. Conway (D.B.A.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Business Administration
2011-May	Edna Shalala (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Commencement Ceremony
2011-May	Leonard M. Trawick, Ph.D. (L.H.D.) Distinguished Emeritus Faculty Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2011-May	Anthony Yuan Tai Yen (D.Ed.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Education
2011-Dec	No Honorary Degrees conferred
2010-May	Jonathan D. Jansen, Ph.D. Honorary Degree, Doctor of Higher Education Administration
2010-May	William R. Martin, Ph.D. (L.H.D.) Distinguished Emeritus Faculty Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2010-Dec	Henry Louis Gates, Jr., Ph.D. (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2010-Dec	Eduardo J. Padrón, Ph.D. (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2009-May	Jean Murrell Capers (LL. D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Commencement Ceremony
2009-May	Kent W. Clapp (D.B.A.) Posthumous Honorary Degree, Doctor of Business Administration
2009-May	Lawrence (Larry) J. Dolan (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
2009-May	Roger B. Manning, Ph.D. (L.H.D.) Distinguished Emeritus Faculty Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2009-May	Thomas J. Moyer (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

2009-May Les Roberts (L.H.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

2009-May James A. Thomas (LL.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law  
Commencement Ceremony

2009-May Ellis Yan (D.B.A.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Business Administration

2009-Dec Glenn R. Brown, Ph.D. (D.Sc.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science

2008-May Martha Collins (L.H.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

2008-May Timothy J. Cosgrove, Esq. (LL.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws

2008-May Paul J. Everson (D.B.A.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Business Administration

2008-May Morton L. Mandel (L.H.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

2008-May Stephen C. Morris (L.H.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

2008-May Elizabeth A. Pugh (L.H.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

2008-May Carl B. Stokes (LL.D.)  
Posthumous Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws, Cleveland-Marshall College of  
Law Commencement Ceremony

2008-Dec Harriet M. Fulbright (LL.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws

2008-Dec Henry J. Goodman (L.H.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

2008-Dec Jerry Sue Thornton, Ph.D. (L.H.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

2007-May Stephanie Tubbs Jones (LL.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws

2007-May Stephen F. Kirk (D.B.A.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Business Administration

2007-May Nicholas Rescher (L.H.D.)  
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

2007-May	Timothy J. Russert (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Commencement Ceremony
2007-Dec	Paul A. Unger (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2007-Dec	Andrew A. Venable, Jr. (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2006-May	Jeong-gu Cho Posthumous Honorary Degree, Doctor of Urban Affairs
2006-May	Bertram L. Wolstein (LL.D.) Posthumous Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
2006-May	Iris S. Wolstein (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
2006-Dec	Delos M. (Toby) Cosgrove, M.D. (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
2006-Dec	Masumi Hayashi (D.F.A.) Posthumous Honorary Degree, Doctor of Fine Arts
2006-Dec	Jennie Jones (D.F.A.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Fine Arts
2006-Dec	Trevor O. Jones (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
2005-May	Carola Bamberger (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2005-May	David Bamberger (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2005-May	John F. "Jack" Cassidy (D.B.A.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Business Administration
2005-May	Peter B. Lewis (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2005-Dec	Steven C. LaTourette (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
2005-Dec	Sandra Pianalto (D.B.A.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Business Administration
2004-May	David L. Hobson (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws

2004-May	Donald E. Washkewicz (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
2004-Jan	Floyd Loop, M.D. (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
2004-Dec	George V. Voinovich (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
2003-May	Antwone Q. Fisher (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2003-May	Scott Hamilton (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2003-Dec	Donald E. Bently (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
2003-Dec	Dan O'Shannon (L.H.D. and B.A.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters and Honorary Bachelor of Arts Degree in Communications
2003-Dec	George R. Stark (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
2002-May	Barbara Byrd-Bennett (D.Ed.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Education
2002-May	Robert Lockwood Jr. (D.Mus.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Music
2002-May	William F. Patient (D.B.A.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Business Administration
2002-May	Ralph Regula (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
2002-May	William B. Summers, Jr. (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2002-Dec	Kenneth J. Semelsberger (D.B.A.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Business Administration
2002-Dec	Robert J. Tomsich (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
2001-May	Monte Ahuja (D.B.A.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Business Administration
2001-May	Milan Kucan (D.P.A.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Public Administration

2001-May	Alfred Lerner (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
2001-May	Norma Lerner (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2001-May	Hope Taft (D.Ed.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Education
2001-May	Lloyd G. Trotter (D.B.A.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Business Administration
2000-May	Jeanette Grasselli Brown (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
2000-May	Drew Carey (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
2000-May	Grace L. Drake (D.P.A.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Public Administration
2000-May	Robert P. Madison (D.F.A.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Fine Arts
2000-May	Larry R. Robinson (D.Com.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Commerce
2000-May	Chung-Won Suh (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1999	Linda Darling-Hammond, Ph.D (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1999	Timothy Hagan (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1999	Samuel H. Miller (D.B.A.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Business Administration
1999	A. Grace Lee Mims (D.Mus.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Music
1999	Hugh B. Price (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1998	John Coyne (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1998	George L. Forbes (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws

1998	Marye Anne Fox (Ph.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1998	Herbert E. Strawbridge (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1998	Xie Xide (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1997	Richard A. Boyd (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1997	William H. Compton (Ph.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1997	The Reverend Otis Moss, Jr. (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1997	Alberta T. Turner (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1997	George W. White (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1997	Jacqueline F. Woods (D.B.A.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Business Administration
1996	Thomas F. Campbell (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1996	Richard Celeste (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1996	James Comer (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1996	Carole Hoover (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1995	Alva Bonda (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1995	Frank Albert Cotton (Ph.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1995	Claire E. Freeman (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1995	Alex Machaskee (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

1994	Louise Ingalls Brown (D. Mus.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Music
1994	Joan Brown Campbell (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1994	Alvin I. Krenzler (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1993	Bernadine P. Healy (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1993	John B. McLendon, Jr. (P.Ed.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Physical Education
1993	J Maurice Struchen (D.CS.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Commerce
1992	Evan Turner (D.F.A.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Fine Arts
1992	Walter B. Waetjen (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1991	Anthony M. Pilla (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1991	Patrick A. Sweeney (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1991	Shiu-hau Yin (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1990	John D. Drinko (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1990	Harold L. Enarson (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1990	Jane W. Kessler (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1990	Aleksander Koj (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1990	Maxine Goodman Levin (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humanities
1990	Max Ratner (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

1989	Arden L. Bement (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1989	Karen Horn (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1989	Louis Stokes (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1988	William E. MacDonald (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1987	William S. Kiser (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1987	David Myers (L.H. D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1986	Joseph E. Cole (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1986	Desmond J. Everett (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1985	Coretta Scott King (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1984	Terrel H. Bell (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1983	Paulo Gama Filho (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1983	Ervin J. Gaines (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1983	James A. Rhodes (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1983	Donna E. Shalala (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1982	Leonard Bernstein (L.H. D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1982	Douglas A. Fraser (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1982	Richard G. Hatcher (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws

1982	Ray Marshall (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1981	David Broder (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1981	Rev. James A. Hickey (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1981	Mary A. Mendelson (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1981	Gunther Schuller (D. Mus.) (L.H.D.) Honorary Degrees, Doctor of Music and Doctor of Humane Letters
1981	W. O. Walker (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1980	Berry Commoner (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1980	Howard Nemerov (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1980	Robert J. White (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor Science
1980	Milton Wolf (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1979	No Honorary Degrees conferred
1978	Robert Coles (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1978	E. Mandel De Windt (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1978	Harriet P. Dustan (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1977	Effie O. Ellis (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1977	Margaret A. Mahoney (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1977	Robert K. Merton (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

1976	Russell Atkins (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1976	Rev. Edward J. Camille (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1976	Simon Ramo (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1976	A.A. Sommer, Jr. (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1976	Leonard Woodcock (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1975	Ada Louise Huxtable (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1975	James J. Nance (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1975	Terry Sanford (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1975	Carl Stern (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1975	Herbert J. Sturz (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1974	Mrs. Zelma George (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1974	Joel Grey (L. Litt.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Letters
1974	Louis Lane (D.Mus.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Music
1973	Harry K. Newburn (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1973	Sam Pollock (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1973	Thomas Vail (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1972	Dean Burl H. Bush (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science

1972	Herbert Elwell (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1971	Charles F. Clark (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1971	Bruce L. Newman (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1970	Wilbur Joseph Cohen (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1970	Irvine Heinly Page (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1970	Richard B. Teare, Jr. (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1969	Robben W. Fleming (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1969	Lars Onsager (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1968	Walter K. Bailey (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1968	John H. Fisher (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1968	John S. Millis (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1968	Bertram D. Thomas (D.Sc.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science
1967	T. Keith Glennan (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1967	Rowena W. Jelliffe (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1967	Russell Wesley Jelliffe (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters
1966	Paul W. Briggs (LL.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws
1966	Rev. Dr. John Bruere (L.H.D.) Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters

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