



**CANDIDATES APPROVED TO RECEIVE AN HONORARY DEGREE
(not yet awarded)
1993 – PRESENT**

Honorary Degree Candidate	Date Approved
Antonio Novello	Oct-04
Aretha Franklin	Oct-12
Ava DuVernay	Sep-16
Barbara Jones Slater	Jan-16
Betty Stevens Walker, C'54	Apr-20
Beverly Wright, Ph.D.	Jan-23
Beyonce Knowles	Oct-18
Carla Hayden, Ph.D.	Jan-18
Charles Bolden	Oct-09
Christine Darden, Ph.D.	Jan-18
Colin Kaepernick	Oct-18
Dana Owens (Queen Latifah)	Apr-20
Diane Judith Nash	Jan-18
Earleatha "Cookie" Johnson	Oct-18
Edwidge Danticat	Jan-04
Gladys Knight	
Gloria White-Hammond	Jan-13
Graca Machel	Oct-14
Helene Gayle	Jan-01
Hillary Rodham Clinton	Oct-10
Ishmael Reed	Oct-07
James P. Comer	Jan-06
Jo Ann Jenkins	Oct-93
Kamala Harris	Oct-12
La'Shanda Holmes, C'2007	Jan-18
Mae Jemison	Apr-20
Melinda French Gates	Oct-93
Mellody Hobson	Oct-11
Moya Bailey, C'2005	Jan-23
Patricia Williams	Oct-09

Honorary Degree Candidate	Date Approved
Robert Bullard	Jan-14
Robin Roberts	Jan-04
Serena Williams	Jan-14
Shonda Rhimes	Oct-18
Sonya Sotomayor	Sep-16
Suzanne DePasse	Oct-09
Sylvia Wynter	Oct-14
Tyler Perry	Apr-20
Viola Davis	Apr-20
Whoopi Goldberg	Jan-16
William A. (Sandy) Darity, Jr.	Apr-20
Wole Soyinka	Jan-04
Wynton Marsalis (declined)	Jan-99
Yvette Lee Bowser	Jan-23