

The University of New Mexico

SENATE GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEE Linney Wix, Chair lwix@unm.edu



DATE:

October 18, 2012

TO:

Operations Committee of the Faculty Senate

FROM:

Linney Wix, Ph.D., Chair

Senate Graduate & Professional Committee

RE:

Posthumous Degree

At its October 18, 2012 meeting the Senate Graduate & Professional Committee voted to approve a request to grant a posthumous degree to Antonio Barreras (100020090). Please see the attached memo from Amy Wohlert, Acting Director, School of Public Administration, detailing this request for Mr. Barreras.

The Senate Graduate & Professional Committee's approval is based primarily on the two conditions specified in the faculty handbook relative to the granting of posthumous degrees. Mr. Barreras had completed the coursework required for the degree and his academic record is in good standing. Therefore, we request that the Faculty Senate support the awarding of a posthumous Master of Public Administration to Antonio Barreras. We also request that this item be put on the Senate's agenda at the earliest convenience. The School of Public Administration is concerned on behalf of Mr. Barreras's family that this situation be resolved quickly.

Thank you.

Attachment



Date:

September 13,2012

To:

From:

Dr. Amy Wohlert, Acting Director, School of Public Administration What Posthumous Degree Pognet 6

Re:

The School of Public Administration respectfully requests consideration of the Posthumous Degree Request for Mr. Antonio M. Barreras.

Mr. Barreras was a student who had completed 39 of the 42 hours towards the Masters of Public Administration degree before he passed away in July of this year. Antonio was a very good student with a 3.80 cumulative GPA and would have graduated this Fall. While not currently enrolled, Mr. Barreras had made contact to register and enroll in the Professional Paper, the capstone, of his program just before his passing.

The Faculty of the School of Public Administration met on Friday September 7 and unanimously voted to support the granting of a posthumous degree to Antonio Barreras.

While the loss of a family member can never be healed, this small token of respect and appreciation for the family will be greatly appreciated.