



Posthumous Degree Request Form

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Relationship to student or UNM: Advisor

Would you like the Dean of Students to contact the family regarding this request? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Dean of Students Notification: _____

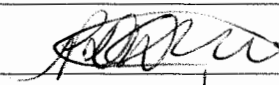
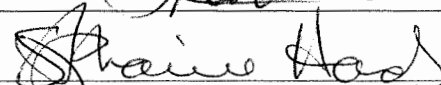

Student Name:	<u>Terry Surveyor</u>		
Student ID:	<u>101526346</u>		
College:		Degree:	<u>mpa</u>
Major(s):			
Concentration(s):			
Minor(s):			

The University of New Mexico recognizes that earning an academic degree is a matter of legitimate pride in achievement not only for students themselves but also for the family members and friends who provide students with vitally important support and encouragement during the course of their studies. UNM also recognizes that not only the degree, but also significant progress in an academic program is, under certain circumstances, an achievement which warrants special recognition.

Accordingly, the University of New Mexico will make available "posthumous degrees" of appropriate type and level to be bestowed upon a student who dies before s/he is able to complete his/her program.

These degrees may be granted under the following circumstances and terms:

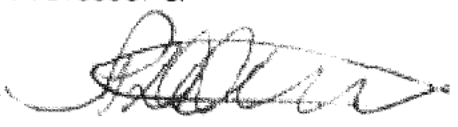
1. The student must be in degree status and either currently enrolled or enrolled in the academic year previous to his/her death;
2. The student must have completed a minimum of half of the credits required for the degree;
3. Requests for posthumous degrees may be initiated by the student's family, the faculty of the department and/or college, or a UNM administrator;
4. The department, the college and the Faculty Senate must approve requests for posthumous degrees. The Senate Graduate Committee must also review and provide recommendation on requests for graduate level posthumous degrees;
5. The degree will be noted as "posthumous" on both the diploma and the transcript.

Approvals	Name	Signature	Date
Department :	Patria de Lancer Julnes		9/1/21
College :	Stephanie Hands		9/23/21
Grad. Committee (if necessary):	Nikki Jernigan		11/4/2021
Faculty Senate:			

Date: October 20, 2021

To: Faculty Senate Graduate Committee

From: Dr. Patria de Lancer Julnes, Rosenthal Endowed Professor &
Director, School of Public Administration

Re: Posthumous Degree Request for Jerry Surveyor 

The School of Public Administration respectfully requests consideration of the Posthumous Degree Request for Mr. Jerry Linn Surveyor.

Mr. Surveyor was a student who had completed 39 of the 42 hours towards the Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree before he passed away on June 2, 2021. Jerry was an outstanding student with a [REDACTED] cumulative GPA. While not currently enrolled, Mr. Surveyor had contacted us to register and enroll in the Professional Paper, the capstone, of his program just before his passing.

Jerry began his MPA Program in Spring 2014. During his time at UNM, he was continually called upon to serve his Native American communities across the nation. One of Jerry's callings was to help tribes establish gaming operations. His expertise in the field had been developed over thirty years in the industry. We would hear from Jerry once or twice a year that he had just finished one project or another and would return to finish his degree.

Sadly, it was not to be.

The Faculty of the School of Public Administration met on Wednesday, September 1, 2021, and unanimously voted to support granting a posthumous degree to Mr. Surveyor.

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.