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# Trustee Emeritus/Emerita Status

## 1 Policy Statement and Purpose

In recognition of the significant contributions and dedication of retiring Board of Trustees members, the Lander University Board of Trustees may confer the title of Trustee Emeritus/Emerita, a mark of honor and distinction, upon retiring board members who have provided at least 12 years of dedicated service to the university.

## 2 Criteria

2.1 To be considered for Trustee Emeritus/Emerita status, a retiring Board of Trustees member must meet the following criteria:

2.1.1 Retirement from the Board of Trustees in good standing.

2.1.2 A minimum of 12 years of service.<sup>1</sup>

2.1.3 A history of considerable meritorious contributions to higher education, Lander University, the local community, and the State of South Carolina consistent with the mission and vision of Lander University.

## 3 Procedures

3.1 A mandatory waiting period of six months after retirement is required prior to conferring Emeritus/Emerita status.

3.2 A candidate must be nominated by a member of the Board of Trustees and be approved by a 2/3 majority vote of Board of Trustee members present at a Board of Trustees meeting.

<sup>1</sup> - years of service need not be consecutive.

- 3.3 Upon conferral of Trustee Emeritus/Emerita status by the Board of Trustees, Trustee Emeritus/Emerita members shall be eligible for all the rights and privileges afforded under this policy.

## 4 Recognition and Privileges

A Trustee Emeritus/Emerita shall have special campus privileges, outlined in the *Emeritus/Emerita College Recognitions and Privileges* document published on the university's policy page.<sup>2</sup>

## 5 Revocation of Emeritus/Emerita Status

- 5.1 Emeritus/Emerita status may be revoked at any time at the discretion of the Lander University Board of Trustees. Revocation may occur when it has been determined that an individual's conduct, before or after Emeritus/Emerita status has been conferred, diminishes the reputation of Lander University.

## 6 Responsibility for this Operating Policy

### 6.1 Policy owner

- 6.1.1 The Lander University Board of Trustees is the policy owner for the ongoing evaluation, review, and approval of this policy. This policy will be reviewed every four years or more frequently, as needed.

### 6.2 Responsibility for policy implementation

- 6.2.1 The Lander University Board of Trustees has assigned the responsibility for implementing this policy to the Chair of the Board of Trustees.

## 7 Policy Revision History

- Policy first drafted and approved by the Board of Trustees on 3/17/2017.
- Submitted to Board of Trustees Policy Committee for four-year review by Policy Coordinator on 3/23/2023.
- Reviewed and revised by Board of Trustees Policy Committee on 3/28/2023.
- Reviewed and revised by Policy Coordinator on 4/17/2023.
- Approved by the Lander University Board of Trustees on May 2, 2023.

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<sup>2</sup> Lander University policies page: <https://www.lander.edu/about/university-policies>