



COMMENCEMENT

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Iowa City, Iowa

THE UNIVERSITY
OF IOWA

HONORARY DEGREES

The University of Iowa confers honorary degrees to individuals who have demonstrated extraordinary achievements in such areas as research, scholarship, education, artistic creation, social activism, human rights, or humanitarian outreach. Nominations are made by the faculty, with selections approved by the Provost and the Board of Regents, State of Iowa.

Honorary degrees have been awarded to the following individuals:

Marvin Pomerantz, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, December 2007

Ignacio Ponseti, Honorary Doctor of Science, December 2007

Robert Solow, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, May 2008

Himie Voxman, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, December 2008

Johan Hultin, Honorary Doctor of Science, May 2009

Henry B. Tippie, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, December 2009

Tom Brokaw, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, May 2010

Robert Hass, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, May 2010

John Pappajohn, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, May 2010

C. Vivian Stringer, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, May 2010

Gregs Thomopoulos, Honorary Doctor of Science, May 2010

Arthur A. Neu, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, December 2010

Richard (Dick) Myers, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, May 2011

Jerre Stead, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, May 2011

Robert Osterhaus, Honorary Doctor of Science, May 2012

Robert D. Ray, Honorary Doctor of Laws, May 2012

Stanley F. Redeker, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, May 2012

John W. Colloton, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, May 2013

Mary Louise Petersen, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, May 2013

The University of Iowa is pleased to make the following awards in May 2014:

LEONARD A. HADLEY -- HONORARY DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS

Leonard A. Hadley received his bachelor of science in commerce (BSC) degree from the University of Iowa in 1958, and also attended law school at the UI for a year. Prior to enrolling at Iowa, he served in the Army Signal Corps. He began a distinguished career with Maytag in 1959, joining the company as a cost accountant and rising through the ranks to become company president in 1986, chief operating officer of the Maytag Corporation in 1991, and CEO and chairman in 1992. During his tenure of leadership, Maytag grew into one of the world's most respected and admired companies. Mr. Hadley has been instrumental in the development and well-being of the Tippie College of Business, especially as a champion of the college's efforts to establish a strong presence in the Des Moines area. He and his wife Marlene are generous supporters not only of the Tippie College but also of many other areas of the university; in 2008, they established a Glaucoma Research Fund that has had a tremendous influence on research at the UI. Mr. Hadley is a member of the University of Iowa Foundation Board of Directors and the UI Presidents Club. He has received the UI Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award, the Department of Accounting Distinguished Alumni Award, and the Tippie College's Oscar C. Schmidt Leadership Award. He was elected to the Iowa Business Hall of Fame in 1998.

The University of Iowa wishes to recognize Leonard A. Hadley for his leadership and advocacy on behalf of the Tippie College of Business and his commitment to advancing the missions of the Tippie College and the University of Iowa.

MANNY VILLAFANA, HONORARY DOCTOR OF SCIENCE

Manny Villafana was born to Puerto Rican immigrants in New York City, where he grew up in one of the poorest neighborhoods of the Bronx. Although he never attended college, he is widely recognized as one of the world's preeminent innovators in the area of medical devices, and his work has touched countless lives. He began his career as a serial entrepreneur in 1971, with the launch of a company that revolutionized the pacemaker industry by introducing a long life lithium iodine pacemaker, a technology still used by a majority of the market. He went on to found several more companies, each dedicated to the design and manufacture of cutting-edge cardiovascular health care devices. In 2007, Villafana launched Kips Bay Medical, a medical device company that focuses on developing, manufacturing and commercializing its proprietary external saphenous vein support technology, or eSVS MESH®, for use in coronary artery bypass grafting (CABG) surgery. He currently serves as founder, chairman and chief executive officer of Kips Bay Medical. His work with faculty in the University of Iowa Biomedical Engineering program helped propel it toward becoming the prestigious, nationally recognized program it is today. Mr. Villafana is dedicated to helping young people realize their potential, and is a particularly generous supporter of the Boys and Girls Clubs of America. The honors and awards he has received include the "Living Legend in Medicine Award" from the International Society of Cardiothoracic Surgeons, the National Medical Entrepreneur of the Year Award, the Ellis Island Medal of Honor, and induction into the Minnesota Business Hall of Fame and the Boys and Girls Clubs of America Hall of Fame.

The University of Iowa wishes to recognize Manny Villafana for his extraordinary achievements in the area of biomedical device development, his civic leadership, and his commitment to supporting the success of UI students.