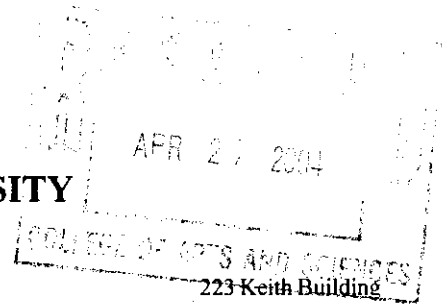


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MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Keith Johnson, Chair
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Via: Dr. Lyle Cook, Provost

D. Lyle Cook 4-28-04

Via: Gary Kuhnhenm, Dean
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*Recommend Approval
Gary - for 4-28-04*

Via: Dr. Steve Savage, Chair
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Recommend approval. Steve Savage

From: Marlene Huff, Director
Social Work Program

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Date: April 21, 2004

Re: Nomination of Don Hoskins for a Posthumous Degree

Please consider granting a Bachelor's of Social Work degree to Don Hoskins who died unexpectedly on March 15, 2004. Don would have graduated in December, 2004. He had completed 75% of his course requirements and was formally admitted to both the Social Work Program as well as the Social Work Field Program.

Don was an integral part of the ECU Social Work Program. His potential contributions to the field of Social Work will be sorely missed. With full support of the Social Work Faculty, I am recommending Mr. Hoskins for a posthumous degree with the December, 2004 class. The degree meant a great deal to Don and would mean a great deal to his family.



Posthumous Degree Proposal

Student: Don Hoskins

Submitted by: Marlene Belew Huff, Director
Social Work Program

Date: April 21, 2004

Don Hoskins was completing his last year of academic study in the ECU Social Work Program when he died at his home on March 15, 2004.

Don was a leader in the social work student body as a non-traditional student. Don was seen as a mentor, advisor and a strong supporter of other students who were struggling to manage the competing demands of the educational system. One student stated, "I wouldn't have returned to school if it hadn't been for Don. He encouraged me (to come to class) no matter what was happening in my personal life."

Don was committed to a career of social work service to individuals in recovery from drug/alcohol abuse. At the time of his death, Don was completing a field practicum at the Comprehensive Care Center in Barbourville, KY. This practicum focused on the prevention and treatment of drug and alcohol abuse. His field supervisor, Cindy Shannon, states, "He was a wonderful person with so much potential. We will miss him dearly."

Don had successfully completed both the selective SWK admissions process as well as the entrance interview to the SWK field practicum program. Don's final overall grade point average was 3.23.

In short, Don Hoskins was an integral part of the ECU social work student body. He was well respected for his intellect, personal commitment to his peers and his tenacity in approaching classroom and field experiences.

Thank you for your consideration of a posthumous degree for Don Hoskins. The degree would be granted in December, 2004.

Don's sister, Kim Pell, can be contacted at: 304 Fox Hollow Road, Manchester, KY 40962.