

ORDINANCE XV
FELLOW OF THE OPEN UNIVERSITY

WHEREAS the Royal Charter of the University provides under Article 21 that:

Subject to the provisions of this Our Charter and of the Statutes the Council may make Ordinances, provided that Ordinances concerning academic matters may only be made on the recommendation of the Senate, and the Senate may make Regulations, subject to confirmation by the Council, to direct and regulate the University and its authorities and members. The power to make Ordinances and Regulations shall include the power to add to, amend or repeal any Ordinances and Regulations theretofore made. Such Ordinances and Regulations shall not be repugnant to the provisions of the Statutes or of this Our Charter

AND WHEREAS by University Statute 13 (28) the Council of the University is empowered to make Ordinances in the exercise of the powers expressly set out in Statute 13 and of all other powers vested in the Council

AND WHEREAS Article 4(c) of the aforesaid Charter provides that the University shall have the power:

To confer distinctions including Honorary Degrees on persons approved by the University provided that such distinctions so conferred shall be conferred and held subject to any provisions which are or may be made in reference thereto by the Statutes, Ordinances or Regulations

AND WHEREAS by University Statute 16 (10) the Senate of the University is empowered to grant distinctions including Honorary Degrees.

THEREFORE the Council of the University hereby ordains as follows:

1. There shall be a distinction of Fellow of the University which shall be awarded *honoris causa*
2. The distinction of Fellow of the University may be conferred by the Senate as a mark of special recognition to a member or former member of the University who has made a distinguished contribution to its reputation
3. A Fellow of the University shall become a life member of the University and may be granted such other rights and privileges as the Senate or the Senate and the Council as appropriate may from time to time decide
4. The procedures for the nomination of a Fellow of the University and the conferment of the distinction shall be as the Senate may from time to time determine.

Approved by the Council on 25th November 1980
