



## Honorary Degree

## Nomination Form

1. Degree to be Awarded:

\_\_\_ Honorary Doctorate X Honorary Baccalaureate \_\_\_ Honorary Associate

2. Please state the name and address of your nominee for an Honorary Degree.

Dean A. Rhoads

3. Honorary degrees shall be awarded to persons who have made significant contributions to the improvement of the quality of academic programs and academic life at one of the NSHE's institutions. Persons currently holding public elected office are not eligible for the degree except in extraordinary circumstances.

What are your reasons for nominating this person? (Attach additional pages, if necessary.)

Dean A. Rhoads served as the Rural Nevada Senatorial District Representative for 26 years. Prior to that, he served in the Assembly for four years. He has been a strong and constant supporter of the work of Great Basin College for the entire time. Serving the state in many capacities, chairing committees on transportation, finance, natural resources and energy and others, his advocacy on behalf of college students was heard in the chamber of the Nevada State Senate and Assembly as well as the Executive Offices of the State. His activism on behalf of higher education did not stop in Carson City; he provided support for Great Basin College throughout its vast service area.

Senator Rhoads set an outstanding example for students and citizens in rural Nevada. As a hardworking and successful rancher, he knows the value of diligence and persistence. Leaders from throughout the state and across the nation depended on his vision. Most recently, Senator Brian Sandoval chose him as a transition team member. He served on the American Legislative Exchange and both the Nevada and National Cattlemen's Association. He provided tremendous leadership and advocacy for public lands as a member of President Ronald Reagan's Federalism Advisory Committee, helping to formulate policy that would enhance the cattle industry throughout the American west.

Closer to his home in Tuscarora, in northern Elko County, he served on the Elko County Fair Board, the Public Lands Council, the Nevada State Grazing Board and the Bureau of Land Management District Grazing Board.

He has magnanimously supported his community, his state, his nation and the students of rural Nevada. Great Basin College is proud to bestow its Honorary Baccalaureate Degree upon Senator Dean A. Rhoads.

President

January 28, 2013

Date

Great Basin College  
Institution