

HONORARY DOCTORATES 2019

Honorary Doctorates are awarded to individuals of national or international distinction with considerable public service in a field relevant to the University's activities, who have a connection with the University, the city of Winchester or the region.



HUGH BONNEVILLE

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Arts for services to dramatic arts

Hugh Bonneville's many film credits include *Notting Hill*, *Iris*, *The Monuments Men*, *Viceroy's House* and the two *Paddington* films. A feature film of *Downton Abbey*, written by Julian Fellowes and directed by Michael Engler is currently in cinemas.

Hugh's recent television roles include Ian Fletcher in the BAFTA-winning *Twenty Twelve* and *W1A* (BBC) and Robert Crawley in ITV's global hit, *Downton Abbey*, for which he received a Golden Globe, two Emmy nominations and, along with his fellow cast members, won three SAG Awards for Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble in a Drama Series. He recently appeared on stage as C.S. Lewis in *Shadowlands* at Chichester Festival Theatre.

Hugh is a patron of the National Youth Theatre of Great Britain, The National Youth Arts Trust, Scene & Heard, The Primary Shakespeare Company and the South Downs National Park Trust.



BERNARD CORNWELL OBE

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Letters for services to history and literature

Bernard Cornwell was born in 1944 and was adopted into a family belonging to the Peculiar People, a fundamentalist sect which, among innumerable things, disapproved of television. After graduating from London University, he joined BBC Television. He worked for the *Nationwide* and *Tonight* programmes, became Head of BBC Current Affairs TV in Northern Ireland, then joined ITV as Editor of Thames Television News.

Bernard has written 58 books, most of them historical fiction including the Richard Sharpe series set in the Napoleonic wars. *The Last Kingdom* stories focusing on the Anglo-Saxon kingdom of Wessex during the reign of King Alfred, and *The Pale Horseman*, were the basis for the first season of the television series, *The Last Kingdom*.

Bernard was awarded an OBE in 2006 for his services to literature and is a patron of the FirstLight Trust – supporting veterans locally.

He has crossed the Atlantic in a small sailboat, been murdered on camera by his own hero, and played Prospero in *The Tempest* in summer-stock theatre. He and Judy, married since 1980, now live in Cape Cod, Massachusetts, and in Charleston, South Carolina, with a small dog called Whiskey.



HIS HONOUR JUDGE KEITH CHARLES CUTLER CBE LLB (HONS)

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law for services to justice and legislation

Keith Cutler was called to the Bar (Lincoln's Inn) in 1972 and is the Resident Judge of Winchester and Salisbury and the Honorary Recorder of Winchester.

He is a Senior Circuit Judge of the UK and a member of the Judges Council, chairing committees on media and communications and advising the government on consequences of draft legislation. In 2009 Keith was installed as a lay canon at Salisbury Cathedral.

Keith was appointed as a Commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE) in 2010 for his services to the administration of justice for the unpaid work he carried out in his spare time with the Council of Circuit judges, representing over 600 judges who make up the backbone of the judicial system in the UK.



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DAME JUDI DENCH CH DBE FRSA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Arts for services to dramatic arts

Since playing Ophelia in *Hamlet* over 60 years ago, Judi Dench has garnered wide popular and critical admiration for a career marked by outstanding performances in both classical and contemporary roles. She has won numerous major awards – including an Academy Award, ten BAFTA Awards and a record eight Laurence Olivier Awards. In recognition of her many achievements she received an OBE (Order of the British Empire) in 1970, became a DBE (Dame of the British Empire) in 1988, and in 2005 was awarded a Companion of Honour.

Dame Judi is recognised globally for her legendary role as M in seven James Bond films, from *Goldeneye* to *Skyfall*. Her other film work includes *Tea With Mussolini*, *A Room With a View*, *A Handful of Dust*, *84 Charing Cross Road*, *Henry V* and *Hamlet*, *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, and its sequel *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*. Dame Judi is also revered for her television work, including *The Hollow Crown*, *The Last of the Blonde Bombshells*, the long-running hit BBC sitcom *As Time Goes By*, and the critically acclaimed *Cranford* and *Cranford: Return to Cranford*.

Dame Judi's achievements on screen are mirrored by her celebrated career on stage. She received an Olivier Award for Best Supporting Actress in *The Winter's Tale*, and she has previously won Olivier Awards for *Macbeth*, *Juno and the Paycock*, *Pack of Lies*, *Anthony and Cleopatra*, *Absolute Hell*, and *A Little Night Music*. Her other theatre credits include: *The Royal Family*, *The Breath of Life*, *All's Well That Ends Well*, *Hay Fever*, *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.



NEIL GAIMAN

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Arts for services to literature

Neil Gaiman is the author of many award winning works, both for adults and for children, including *The Ocean at the End of the Lane* (National Book Awards Book of the Year, and a National Theatre play starting in December 2019), *The Graveyard Book* (winner of the Carnegie and Newbery medals), as well as *Coraline*, *Neverwhere*, the essay collection *The View from the Cheap Seats* and *The Sandman* series of graphic novels. *American Gods*, based on his novel, is now an acclaimed TV series. Neil wrote and was the showrunner for the recent television adaptation of *Good Omens*, based on the book he wrote with Terry Pratchett. He has four children and three grandchildren. Originally from England, Neil now divides his time between the UK and the US, where he is Professor in the Arts at Bard College.



FRAN KIRBY

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Science for services to sport

Fran Kirby is an English professional footballer who plays as a forward for Chelsea and the England national team. She began her career with her local team Reading before moving to Chelsea in July 2015. Fran represented her country as the second-youngest member of the squad at the 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup in Canada – a tournament in which she scored the Lionesses' opening goal in their win over Mexico – and at the UEFA Women's Euro in the Netherlands. At the 2019 World Cup tournament in France this summer Fran played in six out of the seven England matches and scored a goal in the match for third place against Sweden.

Fran's performances for Chelsea throughout 2017/18 went a long way to helping the team enjoy huge success as winners of the Women's FA Cup Final and the Champions League. As well as picking up the Professional Footballers Association and Football Writers' Association Player of the Year awards - becoming the first player to win the female version of the latter - she was also named Chelsea Women's Player of the Year and Players' Player of the Year.



RUTH VALERIO

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity for services to theology and the environment

Dr Ruth Valerio is Global Advocacy and Influencing Director at Tearfund. Her group mobilises churches around the world to tackle poverty and injustice, pushing for change at a governmental and institutional level.

An environmentalist, theologian and social activist, Ruth was previously Churches and Theology Director at A Rocha UK where she launched the Eco Church scheme. Ruth enjoys living sustainably – practising what she preaches and inspiring others as she does so – on a housing estate in Chichester with her family.

Ruth is the author of *L is for Lifestyle: Christian living that doesn't cost the earth*, *Just Living: Faith and community in an age of consumerism*, and is currently writing the Archbishop of Canterbury's 2020 Lent book, entitled *Saying Yes to Life*.



KIM WILKIE

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Science for services to landscape architecture

Kim Wilkie is a landscape architect and environmental planner. His first degree was History at Oxford before going on to a Masters in Landscape Architecture at the University of California, Berkeley. The combination has encouraged him to read the patterns and stories of the land as inspiration for new design.

Kim collaborates with architects and landscape architects around the world and combines designing with running a small farm in Hampshire where is now based.

Kim has sat on a number of UK government bodies, including the Mayor of London's Public Realm Advisory Group and the Royal Parks Advisory Board. He was awarded an Honorary Fellowship of the Royal Institute of British Architects in 2002 and made a Royal Designer for Industry in 2009. He published *Led by the Land* in 2012 with a second edition in 2019.

HONORARY FELLOWSHIPS 2019

Honorary Fellowships are awarded to individuals in recognition of their service to the mission, values, disciplines and community of the University of Winchester.



JAMES (JIMMY) ADAMS

Awarded an Honorary Fellowship for services to cricket and support to the charity Parkinson's UK

Born in Winchester, Jimmy spent 17 seasons at Hampshire before retiring in 2018, having scored over 20,000 runs for the club. He attended Twyford School before heading to Sherborne School and represented his club, St Cross Symondians and his county through the age groups before joining Hampshire's professional staff in 2001.

Jimmy was awarded his county cap in 2006. In the following years, he established himself across all formats and was an important part of the sides that won trophies in 2009, 2010 and 2012. He made over 1,000 Championship runs in both 2009 and 2010. His good form was rewarded with selection for an England Lions tour in 2010/11 and he took on the Hampshire captaincy in 2012.

Awarded a benefit year in 2015, Jimmy made a significant donation to Parkinson's UK - a charity he has continued to support and be involved with alongside his father who was diagnosed with the disease nearly a decade ago.

Shortly after finishing his playing career, Jimmy joined Hampshire's coaching staff and is currently coaching the 2nd XI.



TONY ADIGUN

Awarded an Honorary Fellowship for services to dance education

Tony is a choreographer, director, curator, dancer, educator, and mentor with a razor-sharp eye for dance, composition, musicality, and form. His unique dance vocabulary has gained respect from the highest echelons of the dance industry. His iconic choreography and style have resulted in commissions to choreograph work for Cirque de Soleil, Google, The National Gallery, Paloma Faith and for festivals all over the world. Previously creative director of Sky One's *Got To Dance*, Tony has worked with artists such as Janet Jackson, Whitney Houston, Usher and Ashanti. Tony continues to be a passionate and committed advocate to developing young people and creating opportunities for young artists and creatives.



BRIAN DRAPER

Awarded an Honorary Fellowship for services to spirituality

Brian Draper is a writer, international speaker and broadcaster who works in the field of contemplative spirituality. He was recently described as 'Britain's foremost popular spiritual thinker' by the psychologist Oliver James, and has presented BBC Radio 4's *Thought for the Day* regularly for over 15 years.

He is the author of seven books, including *Spiritual Intelligence: A New Way of Being*, *Less is More: Spirituality for Busy Lives*, and *Soulfulness: Deepening the Mindful Life*. His latest book, *Soulful Nature: A Spiritual Field Guide* (co-written with Howard Green), is to be published in January by Canterbury Press.

Brian works globally with organisations and leaders to nurture their spiritual intelligence, in particular using the ancient form of walking exercise known as 'labyrinth'. Through his Winchester-based practice he has also developed innovative and highly popular walking retreats and spiritual coaching. He is an experienced retreat leader.

Brian was formerly editor of *Third Way* magazine, and a member of faculty at the London Institute for Contemporary Christianity (where he remains an associate lecturer).

He has lived in Winchester for over a decade with his wife and three children, and is a member of Christchurch, Winchester, where he curates a monthly contemplative space called 'Hush'.



STEVEN FRANK BEM

Awarded an Honorary Fellowship for services to Holocaust education

Steven Frank was born in Amsterdam in 1935 into a secular Jewish family. His mother, born in Eastbourne, had come to study in Amsterdam where she met her future husband, an up and coming young lawyer with a great legal future ahead of him. Steven's father became a member of the Dutch resistance, was betrayed, arrested in his office, tortured and finally transported to Auschwitz-Birkenau, where he was murdered on 21 January 1943. In March 1943 Steven, his mother and two brothers were sent to the first of three camps, ending up in Theresienstadt in the Czech Republic where they were liberated on 9 May 1945.

The family came to England in June 1945 and started to rebuild their lives. When Steven retired, Holocaust Education had recently been introduced into the school curriculum and he started going into schools in 1995 to talk about his experiences. He has given over 800 talks in schools, universities, adult organisations and government departments. He was the first survivor to be filmed in 3D interactively in the UK for The Forever Project for the National Holocaust Centre and Museum.

In the Queen's New Year Honours this year he was awarded the British Empire Medal (BEM) for his services to Holocaust Education.



STEVE FURST

Awarded an Honorary Fellowship for services to comedy and the dramatic arts

Steve is a well-known actor and comedian, having graduated in 1989 in Theatre, Drama and Television from King Alfred's College (now the University of Winchester). He was a regular supporting actor in *Little Britain*. As his alter-ego Lenny Beige, he wrote and starred in *The Lenny Beige Television Show* on (C4) and two series of *The Lenny Beige Variety Pack* for BBC.

He has appeared in many TV roles including *Rock Profiles* (BBC), *Bodies* (BBC), *Armstrong & Miller* (C4), *Friday Night Dinner* (C4), three series of the BAFTA nominated *Legend of Dick and Dom* and is now a semi-regular in *Holby City* (BBC1). His movie credits include *St Trinians 1 & 2*, *Chalet Girl* and in 2017 he starred in *Walk Like A*

Panther for 20th Century Fox. For over a decade he was a regular panelist on *The Wright Stuff* (Channel 5)

On stage credits include: *Chicken Soup With Barley* at the Royal Court, *Matilda* (as Mr Wormwood for over 600 performances) at the Cambridge Theatre, *Made in Dagenham* at the Adelphi Theatre and this summer where he played the title role in *Mr Gum and the Dancing Bear* at the National Theatre.



LUKE GAMBLE FRCVS

Awarded an Honorary Fellowship for services to animal welfare

A mixed-practice vet, Luke qualified from Bristol in 1999 and then spent a year on a clinical scholarship at Cambridge University studying large animal medicine and surgery.

He is the CEO and founder of the charities Worldwide Veterinary Service (WVS) and Mission Rabies and practice principal of Pilgrims Veterinary Practice.

Luke has starred in several TV programmes and two prime time series on Sky One, been on several radio shows and given talks at various literary festivals. In 2014, he sat on a World Health Organisation (WHO) expert panel for the International Control of Neglected Zoonotic Diseases due to his global rabies work. He lectures internationally on One Health, animal welfare and veterinary subjects and has set up three international training centres which train over 700 vets annually.

Passionate about his projects, Luke has received several awards for his international veterinary work and featured on the *Independent on Sunday* list of 101 inspirational Great Britons. He lives in the New Forest with his wife, four children, three dogs, two cats and an ever-increasing collection of rescue animals. Luke was made a Fellow of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons in 2018 for his outstanding contributions to the veterinary profession.



CHRIS HIGGINS

Awarded an Honorary Fellowship for services to the University and the Winchester community

Although qualified as a quantity surveyor and building economist, Chris spent his most formidable years in the construction industry promoting good quality architecture. After spells working in London and Mexico, Chris was for 11 years the project management partner of a local architectural practice.

He was appointed Director of Estates at King Alfred's College (now University of Winchester) in 1994 when he saw the opportunity to develop the old teacher training campus with a master plan for the future. Chris persuaded the Governors to buy West Downs on Romsey Road (then a derelict prep school with twelve acres of land) as a second campus, which not only facilitated much-needed expansion, but also helped realise the College's aspirations to grow into the flourishing University that it is today. He introduced high-calibre architects who won national design awards on virtually every project undertaken, creating a campus which is now the envy of many other universities.

After retiring in 2007, Chris was headhunted by The London School of Economics where he spent two years managing their Estates Department.

Some years ago he chaired a local action group creating homes for vulnerable young adults for The Carr Gomm Society. He was a founding governor of the children's hospice responsible for building Naomi House and is currently a trustee at The Hospital of St Cross and Almshouse of Noble Poverty where he advises on the upkeep of their Grade 1 listed buildings.

Chris is also an active member of The City of Winchester Trust and firmly believes that developments in the city centre should be focused on the heritage and cultural aspects of Winchester's history including a world class museum incorporating the University's English Project.