

A Petition to Revoke the Offer of an Honorary Degree to Andrew H. Card, Jr.

We, the undersigned members of the faculty of the University of Massachusetts Amherst, support graduate students in respectfully requesting that all relevant University administrators and administrative bodies, including but not limited to the University President, the Board of Trustees, the Chancellor, and the Dean of the Graduate School, immediately revoke the offer of an honorary degree to Andrew H. Card, Jr., former White House Chief of Staff from 2000 to 2006 and head of the White House Iraq Group, as Card is not eligible for a degree according to University of Massachusetts Policy Doc. T93-060, "Policy on Awarding Honorary Degrees," which makes "only persons of great accomplishment and high ethical standards who exemplify the ideals of the University of Massachusetts" eligible for such an honorary degree.

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www.petitiononline.com/no4card

For information on the opposition to the Card nomination, visit: www.umassgss.org/AWC.

For information on the coalition opposing the Card nomination, contact: umassantycard@gmail.com

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