

Office Of The Vice – Chancellor.

## The Council, 27 November 2015

## **Report of the Honorary Degrees Committee**

The Committee has agreed that the following Honorary Degree should be conferred (this award was considered by the Committee via correspondence)

## Mr Novak Djokovic (Littd, International Faculty)

The current world number one in men's singles tennis and winner of 10 individual ATP Grand Slam titles, he is regarded as one of the world's greatest ever tennis players. He recently became only the third player ever to reach the finals of all four grand slams in the same season. Born and brought up in war-torn Serbia, his success and international status has enabled him to make a considerable contribution to the people of Serbia and the Balkan region as a whole. As UNICEF's Ambassador for Serbia he has helped raise awareness of the country's low enrolment rates for pre-school education. The Novak Djokovic Foundation, which he founded in 2007, works closely with UNICEF on this and aims to give children from disadvantaged communities the chance of an education and a better future. As a powerful role-model for the region he is determined to give something back to the community and show future generations that through education and belief they can achieve their dreams.

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