**Convocation 2015: Honorary Doctor of Laws, Martha Friendly**

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Martha Friendly Speaking

I'm actually thrilled to be here at Trent and I'm thrilled to have been nominated by the Gender and Women's Studies program in particular as long time feminist I'm working on an issue that's really important to women. Personally I'm immensely honoured that Trent is bestowing this honorary degree on me but from a broader perspective I think to me it really signifies that the issue I work on in child care policy is really come of age as an issue that Trent has recognized it with an honorary Doctor of Laws. I think it's kind of a first I sort of extend that to my whole community you know we've kind of come of age and maybe that means something really positive.