

# Milestones

For the past year, the School of Nursing has engaged in a celebration of its rich history, feting major milestones such as the beginning of nursing at Johns Hopkins 115 years ago and the 20-year anniversary of the School of Nursing as a degree-granting division of the Johns Hopkins University. This timeline represents just a sampling of other events and milestones along the way. For a more comprehensive history of nursing at Johns Hopkins, look for Mame Warren's book, *Our Shared Legacy*, to be published in spring 2006.

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**1889**  
The Johns Hopkins Hospital opens in May. Louisa Parsons is Superintendent of Nurses.

**1889**  
The Johns Hopkins Hospital Training School for Nurses opens in October; Isabel Hampton becomes the first Superintendent of Nurses and Principal; Lavinia Dock is named Assistant Superintendent.

**1890**  
Elsie Lawler retires from her position as Superintendent of Nurses. Anna Wolf is named as her replacement, with the title of Director of the School of Nursing and Nursing Service.

**1891**  
Students initiate a new tradition, the candlelight service, to mark the end of their preclinical period. The occasion is the first time they wear their new uniforms.

**1892**  
The Alumnae Association of the Johns Hopkins Hospital Training School for Nurses of Baltimore City is formed. Today it is known as The Johns Hopkins Nurses' Alumni Association, Inc.

**1894**  
Isabel Hampton marries Dr. Hunter Robb and resigns from her duties as Superintendent of Nurses; M. Adelaide Nutting is named as her replacement.

**1895**  
Anna Wolf retires from her position as Director of the School of Nursing and Nursing Service. Mary Sanders Price is named as her replacement.

**1897**  
Master's and post-doctoral fellowship programs are first offered. Just eight years later, *U.S. News and World Report* ranks the Hopkins graduate program in nursing as number fourteen; in 2000, the program ties for fifth.

**1898**  
The Anne M. Pinkard Building, the first dedicated to the education of Hopkins nurses, opens.

**1901**  
The Alumnae Association publishes the first issue of *The Johns Hopkins Nurses Alumnae Magazine*, later called *Vigilando*.

**1903**  
Tuition is set at \$50 per year.

**1904**  
Maryland passes legislation for the registration of nursing graduates; M. Adelaide Nutting becomes the first RN in Maryland.

**1907**  
M. Adelaide Nutting resigns as Superintendent of Nurses. Georgina Ross is named as her replacement.

**1910**  
Hopkins Nurses expand their reach globally through their involvement with the American Red Cross and the United States Army Nursing Corps during World War I.

**1910**  
Georgina Ross resigns as Superintendent of Nurses due to ill health. Elsie Lawler is named as her replacement.

**1919-1941**  
Hopkins Nursing assists with the establishment of a nursing school at the Peking Union Medical College in China

**1921**  
Tuition doubles from \$50 to \$100 per year.

**1926**  
Hampton House, named for the first Superintendent of the Training School, Isabel Hampton Robb, opens as residence for nursing students.

**1940**  
Elsie Lawler retires from her position as Superintendent of Nurses. Anna Wolf is named as her replacement, with the title of Director of the School of Nursing and Nursing Service.

**1941**  
The Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Nursing graduates its last class and closes. Margaret Courtney continues as coordinator of the baccalaureate program for nurses at the Evening College and Director of Continuing Education at Johns Hopkins Hospital, and later (1977) as Director of the Nursing Education Program at the Johns Hopkins University School of Health Services.

**1948**  
The Johns Hopkins McCoy College, later named Evening College, begins granting BSN degrees. The nursing program continues until the early 1980's.

**1959**  
Gertrude Jones, the School of Nursing's first African-American student, graduates.

**1970**  
Mary Sanders Price retires as Director of the School of Nursing and Nursing Service. Margaret Courtney is named Director of the School of Nursing; Doris M. Armstrong is named Director of the Department of Nursing at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

**1971**  
Herb Zinder and Jim Levya, the School of Nursing's first male students, graduate.

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**1974-1979**  
The Johns Hopkins University School of Health Services Nursing Education Program offers a BSN degree. Kay Partridge serves as Director.

**1976**  
Doris Armstrong resigns as Director of Nursing Service at the Johns Hopkins Hospital.

**1982**  
Carol Gray is appointed professor and director of the Division of Nursing in the Evening College upon Margaret Courtney's retirement.

**1984**  
The School of Nursing opens as a degree-granting division of Johns Hopkins University, with Carol Gray as Dean.

**1990**  
An accelerated program is first offered. Second-degree nursing students earn a baccalaureate degree in 13 months. The first class has 17 students; the second jumps to 60.

**1991**  
Sigma Theta Tau International, the nursing honor society, approves a chapter at Hopkins—Nu Beta.

**1992**  
The Wald Community Nursing Center is established to serve the Baltimore's uninsured.  
A Peace Corps Fellows Program is developed at the School of Nursing for returned Peace Corps volunteers.

**1993**  
A doctoral program is first offered. Five students join the program.

**1994**  
The Center for Nursing Research is established to support faculty research on ways to promote health and improve delivery of health services.  
Carol Gray retires as Dean of the Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing. Sue Donaldson is named as the new Dean.

**1995**  
The Institute for Johns Hopkins Nursing is established, linking nursing education and nursing practice.  
Tuition increases from \$14,000 to \$15,000 per year.

**1998**  
The Anne M. Pinkard Building, the first dedicated to the education of Hopkins nurses, opens.

**2001**  
Sue Donaldson steps down as Dean of the Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing to return to research and teaching. Martha Hill is named interim Dean.

**2002**  
Martha Hill is named Dean of the Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing.  
The Center on Health Disparities Research is established.

**2004**  
Hopkins Nursing partners with the Peking Union Medical College to offer the first doctoral education of nurses in China.  
Nursing alumni from Church Home and Hospital join the Johns Hopkins Nurses' Alumni Association.

**2005**  
A new cohort of students begins in January. Second degree nursing students will earn a baccalaureate in 17 months.  
The Center for Collaborative Intervention Research is established.

## SAVE THE DATE

### Who Will Care for Us? Who Will Receive Care?

An Expert-to-Expert  
Town Hall on Health Care Disparities

**May 3, 2005  
4 to 6 pm**  
School of Nursing Alumni Auditorium  
moderated by  
ABC News Correspondent Sam Donaldson

The Hopkins Nursing 2004-2005 Milestone Celebration will close with a special town hall to address health care disparities. "Who Will Care for Us? Who Will Receive Care?" will offer a unique opportunity for health care experts and local, state, and federal legislators to share their perspectives on causes, results, and solutions regarding health care disparities. ABC News Correspondent Sam Donaldson will serve as moderator. Save the date and stay tuned for more information!