

Guide to
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Hotel Dieu School of Nursing records

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Historical Sketch

Hotel Dieu Hospital or the "Sisters' Hospital" started when Father Ferrari asked Mother Marianna Flynn from Visitatrix of the Community of the Daughters of Charity at St. Joseph's Central House in Emmitsburg, Maryland about training nurses. Subsequently, the Sisters were asked to open and staff a hospital in order to care for patients in the El Paso area.

Four Sisters, Sister Stella Dempsy, Sister Dolores Eggert, Sister Genevieve Hennessy, and Sister Vincent Lee, arrived on February 3, 1892. They briefly lived in a home at 1015 East Overland Street, a two-story building rented for the Sisters by Father Ferrari. The first location of the Hotel Dieu Hospital was small and considered unsatisfactory to both patients and the public. The Sisters were urged to move to another location, so they moved to the Dieter Home at 415 Upson Avenue during March 1892.

The Dieter Home was a temporary location for the Hotel Dieu Hospital. The Sisters secured bank loans and formed a corporation on June 28, 1892 that helped fund the construction and maintenance of a hospital in El Paso. The new property for Hotel Dieu Hospital was purchased on July 2, 1892. It was located at Stanton and Rio Grande streets. At this time, the Hotel Dieu Hospital was given a horse drawn ambulance.

The Hotel Dieu School of Nursing opened in 1898. The Hotel Dieu School of Nursing began as a small training school, but due to increases in enrollment, the training school moved across the street from Hotel Dieu Hospital on August 1, 1917. During World War II, Hotel Dieu Hospital was designated as an Emergency Base Hospital until the end of the war.

The Hotel Dieu Hospital and School of Nursing were successful, and an increasing number of physicians with varying specialties moved to El Paso.

The Hotel Dieu School of Nursing later "merged with the University of Texas system School of Nursing in 1972 and, when the system was divided, it became the University of Texas College of Nursing in El Paso."

Hotel Dieu Hospital closed in December 1987.

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Crowder, Eleanor McElheny. *Nursing in Texas: A Pictorial History*. Texan Press: Waco, Texas, 1980.

Dieter, John Phillip. "History of Hotel Dieu Hospital," El Paso, Texas, 1971.

Series Description or Arrangement

The Hotel Dieu School of Nursing records are arranged in four series:

Series I. Photographs, ca. 1960

Arranged chronologically.

Series II. Texas Graduate Nurses' Association, 1962-1971

Series is divided into two sub-series – By-Laws and Section Rules and Yearbooks and Directories. All sub-series are arranged chronologically.

Series III. Medical Library, 1957-1987, undated

Series is divided into six sub-series – Library Administrative Information, Reports and Statistics, Newsletters, Associations and Organizations, Financial and Purchase Reports, Correspondence.

Series IV. Hotel Dieu School of Nursing, 1891-1986

Series is divided into seven sub-series – Books and Manuscripts, Hospital Administrative Information, Hospital Reports and Statistics, Financial and Purchase Reports, Grant Application and Proposal, Training, and Orientation and Nursing School, Publications, and Newsletters.

Scope and Content Notes

The Hotel Dieu School of Nursing records date from 1944 to 1987, bulk 1980 to 1981. Types of records include photographs, by-laws and section rules, yearbooks and directories, library plans, receipts, journal and magazine subscriptions, furniture specifications and catalogs, requisitions, bibliographies, lists of holdings, book orders, reports, handbooks, guides, minutes, newsletters and bulletins, general correspondence, forms, training information, publications, and medical information and correspondence from local doctors and hospitals.

The Photographs series contains photographs.

The Texas Graduate Nurses' Association series contains by-laws and section rules and yearbooks and directories.

The Medical Library series includes transparencies and sketches of floor plans for the new library, furniture specifications, bibliographies, library statistics, reports, handbooks, orientation, newsletters, minutes, club and organization information, correspondence, policies and procedures, and training materials.

The Hotel Dieu School of Nursing series consists of a history of Hotel Dieu Hospital, medical manuals and information, student orientation and graduation

statistics, training materials, medical publications, correspondence, newspaper clippings, and purchases and requests from other area hospitals.

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Notes to the Researcher

Researchers should also view:

Barbara Dent collection of medical history research, C.L. Sonnichsen Special Collections Department, the University of Texas at El Paso Library.

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Dieter, John Phillip. "History of Hotel Dieu Hospital," El Paso, Texas, 1971.

Esperanza Acosta Moreno papers, C.L. Sonnichsen Special Collections Department, the University of Texas at El Paso Library.

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Hotel Dieu Hospital collection, C.L. Sonnichsen Special Collections Department, the University of Texas at El Paso Library.

Ramirez, Elma Galentine. "History of Hotel Dieu Hospital," Thesis, The University of Texas at El Paso, 1952.

Sister Aloysius Williams collection, C.L. Sonnichsen Special Collections Department, the University of Texas at El Paso Library.

Container List

Series I. Photographs, ca. 1960

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Series II. Texas Graduate Nurses' Association, 1962-1971

Box #	Folder #	Title	Date
1	2	By-Laws and Section Rules (3)	1962-1968
1	3	Yearbooks and Directories (6)	1964-1971

Series III. Medical Library, 1957-1987, undated

Box #	Folder #	Title	Date
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1	5	Library Division Portfolio	undated
1	6	Directory of Library Services	undated
1	7	Medical Bibliography	1957-1972, undated
1	8	Medical Journal Lists	1958-1977, undated
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1	12	Books and Journals to the Bindery	1962-1972
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1	15	Library Plans for Hotel Dieu School of Nursing (1 of 2)	1964-1966
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1	17	Library Furniture Specifications	1966
1	18	Record of Paper Back Books	1966-1969
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1	20	Hotel Dieu Medical Library – Statistics and Floor Plans (1 of 2)	1966-1969, undated
1	21	Hotel Dieu Medical Library – Statistics and Floor Plans (2 of 2)	1966-1969, undated
1	22	Acquisition	1967-1968, undated
1	23	Requisition	1969-1973, undated
1	24	Library Security	1970-1985, undated
1	25	List of Lost Books	1972-1973
1	26	University of Texas School of Nursing at El Paso Library – Holdings (1 of 2)	1972-1973
1	27	University of Texas School of Nursing at El Paso Library – Holdings (2 of 2)	1976
1	28	Book Replacement List and Bibliography	1973-1975, undated
1	29	Delivery of Health Care Systems – Instructor's Copy for Independent Study	circa 1975
1	30	Post-Secondary Education Bureau Regulations	1976
1	31	Carrels	1976-1977, undated
1	32	Typewriters	1976-1983
1	33	Book Orders	1978-1984
1		List of Journal Holdings for Titles of the University of Texas at El Paso College of Nursing Medical Library	1977-1978
1	34	Centro Mexico de Especialidades	1979-1982, undated
1	35	<i>The Prospector</i>	1979-1987
1	36	Women's Studies Dissertation Catalog	1981-1984

1	37	Bookcase Purchases	1982-1983
1		Union List of Serials	1983-1985
1	38	The El Paso Economic Review	1986
2	1	Hotel Dieu School of Nursing Library – Vertical File Guide	undated
2	2	Cataloguing	1944-1974, undated
2	3	Library Progress Reports	1947-1964
2	4	Library Handbooks	1958-1968, undated
2	5	Library Staff Orientation	1960-1982
2	6	Library Newsletters	1961-1965
2	7	Library Committee Minutes	1961-1965, undated
2	8	Library Committee Minutes	1966-1969
2	9	Library Committee Minutes	1970-1972
2	10	Reference Questions Asked	1961-1971
2	11	Hotel Dieu School of Nursing Library – Audio Laboratory	1962, undated
2	12	Audio Visual Material	1967-1969, undated
2	13	Library Activity Reports	1962-1968
2	14	Hotel Dieu School of Nursing Library – Administrative (Job Organization Chart, Electronic Location Permit, Librarian's Duties, Medical Class List, Program of Studies Committee)	1962-1970, undated
2	15	Bellas Artes Club	1962-1972, undated
2	16	Correspondence	1962-1975
2	17	Correspondence – Thank You Notes	1964-1971
2	18	Correspondence	1967-1986
2	19	Faculty Workshops	1964-1972, undated
2	20	Trip Reports	1965, undated
2	21	Circulation Policies and Procedures	1966-1984, undated
2	22	Library Procedure Manual	1973-1977
2	23	Medical Library Association	1974
2	24	Introduction to the library (with tape	1974-1975

		cassette)	
2	25	Library Forms	1975-1986, undated
2	26	New Mexico Library Association	1982
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4	1	Turnstile forms and Statistics	1986-1987, undated
4	2	Copy Reports and Statistics	1975-1987, undated
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4	4	Work Study Reports	1969-1987, undated
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4	7	Reserve Book and Journal Reports	1979-1987
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3		El Paso MAST (Military Assistance to Safety and Traffic) Area	1960-1970
3	1	Hotel Dieu School of Nursing Orientation and Graduation Statistics	1960-1970
3	2	Medical Information Services Registration	1970
3	3	Honors Program in Nursing	ca. 1975
3	4	Conversational Spanish for the Nurse	ca. 1960
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3	6	Nurses are Special People by Esperanza Acosta Moreno	1987
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3	9	Training Source Materials	1976
3	10	Training Source Materials	1976
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3	12	Pediatric Nurse Association/American Academy of Pediatrics	1976
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3	15	American Nursing Association-National League for Nursing (ANA-NLN) Film Service	ca. 1960
3		South Texas Health Systems Agency-Health Systems Plan	1981-1985
3	16	Durable Anatomical Model of Female Torso	undated
3	17	Nature of Leukemia	undated
3	18	Publications-Journals	1955-1984
3	19	The Composition, Work Load and Procedures of Planning Commissions	1957
3	20	West Texas Council of Governments – Health Systems Agency	1962-1980, undated
3	21	Health Service Agency – Group Health of El Paso Application Grant (1 of 4)	1973
3	22	Health Service Agency – Group Health of El Paso Application Grant (2 of 4)	1973
3	23	Health Service Agency – Group Health of El Paso Application Grant (3 of 4)	1973
3	24	Health Service Agency – Group Health of El Paso Application Grant (4 of 4)	1973
3	25	National Center for Health Statistics	1974
3	26	Federal Management Circular	1974
3	27	Financial Management Systems	1977
3	28	A Guide for Economic Development-Administration Grantees	1977
3	29	Financial Management Handbook for Economic Development Planning Grantees	1978
3	30	Permian Basin Health Agency Projects Review Policies and Procedures	1978
3	31	Texas Department of Health Bureau of	1978

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		Vital Statistics	
3	32	Texas Department of Health Bureau of Vital Statistics	1979
3	33	Hospital Affiliates International	1979
3	34	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance	1979
3	35	Service-Specific Criteria and Standards Developed for the State Health Plan	1979-1980
3	36	American Health Planning Association	1979-1981
3	37	Newsletters	1979-1982
3	38	Manpower Planning in Obstetrics and Gynecology	1980
3	39	Regional Planning and Review of Hospice Care	1980
3	40	Data Identification and Collection for Appropriateness Review	1980
3	41	Report of Active Project Grants	1980
3	42	National Drug and Alcoholism Treatment Utilization Survey (NDATUS)	1980
3	43	The Blue Sheet-Drug Research Reports	1980
3	44	Northeast Community Hospital (NCH)-Correspondence from Doctors	1980-1981
3	45	Texas Department of Health Questionnaires	1982
3	46	Infectious Diseases for certain Texas counties-Statistics	1982
3	47	Medicare Certification Division-Texas Department of Health	1982-1983
3	48	Correlation of Pending State Legislation 1983 Session and the 1982-1986 State Health Plans	1982-1986
5	1	Correspondence-Health	1978-1983
5	2	Northeast Community Hospital (NCH) Physicians	1979-1981, undated
5	3	Newspaper clippings	1979-1982, undated
5	4	Texas Department of Health Special Reports	1980-1982
5	5	Southwestern General Hospital-Construct and Equip a Physician's	1981

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5	9	Hotel Dieu Hospital-Biochemical Analyzer System Model SMA 11-C	1981
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5	13	Sun Towers Hospital-Ohio Nuclear #560 Computer	1980-1981
5	14	Eastwood Hospital-Construction of Obstetrical Unit	1980-1981
5	15	Eastwood Hospital-Occupational Therapy Services	1980-1981
5	16	Sun Towers Hospital-Remodel, Renovate, Replace or Supplement Equipment	1981-1982
5	17	R.E. Thomason General Hospital- Child Abuse and Neglect Program	1982