

When the End Comes to Higher Education Institutions, 1890-2019: A Data Source
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This is a partial list of the concluding episodes of the independent existence of a selection of higher education institutions from 1890 to the beginning of 2019. It aims to include all institutions that were ever regionally accredited at the bachelors level or above or whose resources contributed in a genealogical sense to an institution that was accredited at that level. Or the era before accreditation it includes all institutions that were authorized to confer bachelors degrees or above or that contributed in a genealogical sense to an institution so authorized. It excludes straightforward transformations of an institution, as when an academy or normal school is re-chartered to become a college or university. It excludes for-profit institutions because their lives and deaths are very different given that they are treated as commodities with the primary purpose of revenue enhancement for owners.

This listing shows different kinds of finality. These include:

- The institution simply closes. In some cases the assets are acquired by another or successor institution of higher education, which may acknowledge the closed institution, for example, by naming a program after it, but the closed institution no longer has an independent existence.
- One institution merges into another. Even if its name is preserved, for example, as the name of a college in a university, it no longer has separate accreditation or autonomy.
- A new higher education institution is created by the merging of previously existing institutions.

This list is arranged by year and then by alphabetical order of the latest state in which the institution or its successor existed. It uses the contemporaneous names of the institution. Parenthesized institutional names indicate the final name of the institution if different from the contemporaneous name. Each listing includes a parenthesized indication of the state in which the final institution is or was located.

This list is culled from a much large *Timeline and Genealogy of Higher Education in the United States* compiled by the author.

1890

- The Chicago College of Dental Surgery (Loyola University of Chicago) is merged into Lake Forest University (Lake Forest College) as its Dental Department. The affiliation ends in 1902. (IL)
- Taylor University is founded by merging Fort Wayne College and Fort Wayne College of Medicine. (IN)
- The Omaha Medical College merges into the University of Omaha. (University of Nebraska Medical Center, NE)

1891

- The Union College of Law merges into Northwestern University. (IL)
- St. Louis Medical College merges into Washington University. (University of Washington in St. Louis, MO)
- The Rochester Athenaeum and Mechanics Institute is founded by merging the Rochester Athenaeum and Mechanics' Association and the Mechanics Institute. (Rochester Institute of Technology, NY)

1893 *The Panic of 1893*

1894

- Ohio Central College faces financial collapse and closes. The state of Ohio purchases the property and makes it a “Working Home for the Blind.” (OH)
- Palatinate College closes due to financial problems and is purchased by the United Evangelical Church, which transforms it into the Albright Collegiate Institute. (Albright College, PA)

1895

- Milwaukee-Downer College is created by merging Milwaukee College and Downer College. (Lawrence University, WI)

1896

- When Berkeley Bible Seminary is founded, Hesperian College and Pierce Bible College are merged into it. (Chapman University, CA)
- Napa College merges into California Wesleyan College. (College of the Pacific, CA)
- Mary Sharp College closes, unable to withstand the economic challenges that began with its physical destruction during the Civil War and increased during the financial depression of the early 1890s. (TN)

1897

- Hartsville College closes after years of financial problems and severe conflict between different factions of the United Brethren. Its assets are transferred to the newly established Central College. (Huntington University, IN)
- Shepardson College for Women merges into Denison University. (OH)
- The Cincinnati Law School and Cincinnati College are merged into the University of Cincinnati. (OH)

1898

- The Boston Normal School of Cookery merges into the Framingham State Normal School and becomes its Household Arts Department. (Framingham State University, MA)

1899

- Elk Horn College merges with Trinitatis Seminarium (Trinity Seminary), becomes coeducational, and is renamed Trinity Seminary and Blair College, still using Danish as the official language. (Dana College, Closed, NE)
- The North Pacific Dental College is created by merging the Tacoma College of Dental Surgery and the Oregon College of Dentistry. (Oregon Health and Science University, OR)
- Virginia Union University is created by the American Baptist Home Mission Society by merging Wayland Seminary and Richmond Theological Seminar. (VA)

1900

- Maclay College of Theology merges into the University of Southern California. (Claremont College of Theology, CA)

1901

- Eastern Indiana Normal School closes for lack of funds. It reopens in 1902 as Palmer University in honor of a donor who funds it. (Ball State University, IN)

- Danville Theological Seminary merges into Louisville Presbyterian Seminary. Danville had suffered a severe enrollment decline during the Civil War and never recovered. (Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, KY)
- Central University at Richman is merged into Centre College. (KY)

1902

- The Omaha Medical College merges into the University of Nebraska and is renamed the University of Nebraska College of Medicine. (University of Nebraska Medical Center, NE)
- Central Pennsylvania College merges into Albright College. (PA)

1903

- Marion-Sims-Beaumont College of Medicine merges into Saint Louis University. (MO)

1904

- The Chicago School of Osteopathy merges into the American College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery. (IL)

1905

- Central College of Physicians and Surgeons merges with Fort Wayne College of Medicine and Medical College of Indiana into Purdue University to form its Medical College in the School of Medicine. (Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, IN)
- The Northern Indiana Law School merges into Valparaiso University as the Valparaiso University Law School. (Closed, IN)
- Red River Valley University, facing financial challenges, merges into the University of North Dakota. (ND)

1906

- Indiana Normal College closes because of a lack of enrollment and funds. The facilities are not used until 1912, when investors reopen the institution as Indiana Normal Institute. (Ball State University, IN)

1907 *The Panic of 1907*

- State College of Physicians and Surgeons in Indianapolis merges into Indiana University School of Medicine. (Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis)
- The Milwaukee Medical College merges into Marquette College, which is renamed Marquette University. (WI)

1908

- Cooper Medical College merges into Stanford University as its Department of Medicine. (CA)
- Scarritt-Morrisville College is founded by the Methodist Episcopal Church South by merging Scarritt Collegiate Institute and Morrisville College. (Central Methodist University, MO)
- The Washington College Academy merges with Greenville and Tusculum College and is renamed Washington and Tusculum College. The trustees of Washington College successfully sue to break the merger in 1912 and it becomes independent again. Washington and Tusculum College is renamed Tusculum College. (TN)

1909

- The Los Angeles Optical College and Post Graduate School of Opticians affiliates with the Southern California Eye College to create the California College of Optometry and Ophthalmology. (Marshall B. Ketchum University, CA).
- The Boston Normal School of Gymnastics merges into Wellesley College as its Department of Hygiene and Physical Education. (Wellesley College, MA)

1910 *The Flexner Report criticizes the state of contemporary medical education*

- South Mississippi College is destroyed by fire and closes. (William Carey College, MS)

1911

- St. Vincent's College closes when the Jesuits move into higher education in the region and the Vincentians focus on other things. (CA)
- Immaculate Conception College and Loyola College merge and reorganize. Immaculate Conception becomes the preparatory academy and Loyola remains the college. (Loyola University New Orleans, LA)
- Scio University merges into Mount Union College. (University of Mount Union, OH)
- The University of Tennessee, Memphis is founded by merging together the Memphis Hospital Medical College, the College of Physicians and Surgeons, the Nashville Medical College, the Medical Department of the University of Tennessee, and Lincoln Memorial University. This action is motivated by the recommendations of the 1910 Flexner Report on the quality of medical education in the U.S. (University of Tennessee Health Science Center, TN)
- Financial difficulties and disagreements between the Oklahoma conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church South lead to the closing of Epworth University. The Oklahoma Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church transfers its support to a new Methodist University of Oklahoma. It opens with faculty from Epworth University and Fort Worth University. (Oklahoma City University, OK)
- Although Fort Worth University has bachelors degree programs, an academy, a law school, medical school, school of pharmacy, conservatory of music, and other schools. The Methodist conference decides to close the university and merge it into the Methodist University of Oklahoma. (Oklahoma City University, OK)

1912

- The Denver and Gross Colleges of Medicine in Denver merge into the University of Colorado. (CO)
- Keachie Female College closes due to financial problems. (Louisiana College, LA)

1913

- The College of Medicine, Dentistry, and Pharmacy is created by merging The Chicago College of Pharmacy, the College of Physicians, and the Columbian College of Dentistry (University of Illinois Chicago, IL)
- The Williamsburg Institute acquires Highland College and is renamed Cumberland College. (University of the Cumberlands, KY)
- The Baltimore Medical College merges into the University of Maryland. (University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD)
- Baldwin-Wallace College is founded through the merging of German Wallace College and Baldwin University. (Baldwin Wallace University, OH)
- The Oregon Peerless College of Chiropractic-Neuropathy merges into The Pacific College of Chiropractic because it is no longer financially viable. (University of Western

States, OR)

- Ward-Belmont College, a junior college and preparatory school is created by merging together the Belmont College for Young Women and the Ward Seminary for Young Ladies. (Belmont University, TN)
- Marquette University acquires the Wisconsin College of Physicians and Surgeons, creating the Marquette University School of Medicine. (Medical College of Wisconsin, WI)

1914

- The College of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons is created by merging the Pacific College of Osteopathy with the Los Angeles College of Osteopathy. (UC Irvine Health School of Medicine, CA).
- The Benjamin Harrison Law School, an evening law school, is created by merging the Indianapolis College of Law with the American Central Law School. (Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis, IN)

1915

- Following the critical review by the Flexner Report, enrollment at the College of Physicians and Surgeons declines steeply and it is merged with the Medical College of the University of Maryland. (University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD)

1916

- College of Montana, which has been struggling financially, closes. In 1923 its organization is merged with Montana Wesleyan College. (Rocky Mountain College, MT)
- York College acquires York Business College. (NE)
- Des Moines College (IA) acquires the Central College of Pella (IA) and then in 1918 Highland Park College (IA), and is renamed Des Moines University. (University of Sioux Falls, SD)

1917 *U.S. enters WWI*

- Indiana Normal Institute closes because of foreclosure on its mortgage payments. (Ball State University, IN)
- Eastern University Preparatory School closes, but in 1919 it is re-founded as Oklahoma Military Academy. (Rogers State University, OK)

1918 *End of WWI*

- Southern College and Birmingham College are merged to form Birmingham-Southern College on the Birmingham campus, a Methodist college. (GA)
- Marion Normal Institute relocates to Muncie Indiana and merges with the Indiana Normal Institute (Ball State University). The union, and with it Marion Normal Institute, fail. The Wesleyan Methodists buy its assets and merge them with the Fairmount Bible College and opened the new institution as Marion College in 1919. It opens in 1920. The first class graduates with bachelor's degrees in 1921. A master's degree is launched in 1924. (Indiana Wesleyan University, IN)
- Saint Peter's College closes during WWI so the Jesuits could focus on other campuses. It reopens in 1930. (Saint Peter's University, NJ)
- The Dorland Institute merges with the Bell Institute to form the coeducational Dorland-Bell School. (Warren Wilson College, NC)
- Cincinnati College is merged into the University of Cincinnati. (OH)
- Lutheran Normal School merges with Augustana College under the name Augustana College and Normal School. (Augustana University, SD)

- Texas Christian University closes. (TX)

1919

- Leander Clark College becomes bankrupt and merges with Coe College. Despite this new infusion of some assets, Coe College regularly operates on a deficit. (IA)
- New Orleans College of Pharmacy merges into Loyola University. The Pharmacy school is discontinued in 1965. (Loyola University New Orleans)
- The Kansas City Western Dental College, founded by merging Kansas City Dental College and the Western Dental College. (University of Missouri-Kansas City, MO)
- Roper Hospital School of Nursing merges into the Medical College of the State of South Carolina. (Medical University of South Carolina, SC)
- Methodist University of Oklahoma faces severe enrollment and therefore financial challenges due to World War I and the influenza epidemic. The Methodist Episcopal Conference closes it and opens a new college in a new location, Oklahoma City College. (Oklahoma City University, OK)

1920 *The Depression of 1920-21*

- The California School of Christianity, founded by merging the Berkeley Bible Seminary and the California Christian College. (Chapman University, CA)
- The University of Maryland, created by merging the Maryland State College of Agriculture and the University of Maryland in Baltimore. (University of Maryland, College Park, MD)
- Bethany-Peniel College is created by merging Peniel College with Oklahoma Nazarene College. (Southern Nazarene University, OK)

1921

- The University of Delaware is created by merging Delaware College with the Women's College of Delaware. (DE)
- North Pacific College of Optometry, founded by merging the DeKeyser Institute of Optometry and the Oregon College of Ocular Science. (Pacific University, OR)

1922

- The Los Angeles College of Chiropractic absorbs the Eclectic College of Chiropractic. (Southern California University of Health Sciences, CA)
- Sacred Heart College, a women's college created by the Dominican Sisters of Grand Rapids, and merged with the Novitiate Normal School. It is chartered to grant degrees in 1923. (Aquinas College, MI)
- Central College absorbs Howard-Payne Junior College as part of a reorganization and consolidation effort by the Methodist Episcopal Church South. Central College soon also acquires the assets of the Central College for Women, Lexington; Scarritt-Morrisville College, Morrisville; and Marvin College, Fredericktown. (Central Methodist University, MO)
- Fargo College closes due to increasing expenses that cannot be covered by student fees, and insufficient endowment. Its assets are merged into Yankton College, SD. (Closed, ND)

1923

- The Daytona-Cookman Collegiate Institute is created by merging the Daytona Normal and Industrial Institute and the Cookman Institute. (Bethune-Cookman University, FL)
- The Baltimore College of Dental Surgery merges with the Dental Department of the University of Maryland to create a distinct college of the university under state

- supervision. (University of Maryland, Baltimore. MD)
- Intermountain Union College is found by merging Montana Wesleyan College with the organization of the College of Montana. (Rocky Mountain College, MT)

1924

- Harding College, a 4-year college with elementary and secondary programs is created by the Churches of Christ by merging Harper College and Arkansas Christian College, (Harding College, AR)
- The Kirksville Osteopathic College, founded by merging the American School of Osteopathy and the Andrew Taylor Still College of Osteopathy. (the Kirksville campus of AT Still University. MO).
- Cincinnati Bible Seminary, founded by merging McGarvey Bible College and the Cincinnati Bible Institute. Both were founded by conservative theological faculty following the “heresy trials” at the College of the Bible in Lexington, KY revolving around the practices of faculty using new approaches to Bible scholarship. (Cincinnati Christian University, OH)

1925

- Indiana Dental College is acquired by Indiana University. (IN)
- Campion College of the Sacred Heart closes because of lack of space. The high school division is much larger and continues. (WI)

1926

- The Chicago Theological Seminary absorbs the Congregational Training School for Women. (IL)
- The Lindlahr College of Natural Therapeutics is merged into the National College of Chiropractic, which then offers a degree program in naturopathy until 1952. (National University of Health Sciences, IL)
- Kentucky College for Women becomes Centre College’s “women’s department.” They become fully merged in the 1960s. (Centre College, KY)
- Winfield College of Music merges into Southwestern College. (KS)
- The Juilliard School of Music, founded by merging the Juilliard Graduate School and the Institute of Musical Art. (NY)
- University of Dallas faces financial problems, so closes its Collegiate Division, boarding school, and athletic programs. The academy closes in 1928. The charter is then maintained by the Catholic Diocese of Dallas, who eventually transfer it to the Sisters of St. Mary of Namur, who open the present University of Dallas. (TX)

1927

- Western Kentucky State Normal School and Teachers College merges with Ogden College. (Western Kentucky University, KY)
- The New Jersey College of Pharmacy merges into Rutgers University. (NJ)
- Erskine College, Due West Woman’s College, and Erskine Theological Seminary merge under the name of Erskine College. (SC)
- Des Moines University is sold to the Baptist Bible Union due to financial difficulties. The extreme fundamentalism of the Baptist Bible Union leads many faculty to leave and in 1929, the students to riot against the trustees and administration. The University closes and its assets are acquired by Sioux Falls University. (SD)
- Hall-Moody Junior College faces declining enrollments and financial difficulty, so the Tennessee Baptist Convention closes it and merges its assets into Union University. (TN)

1928

- Financial difficulties leads St. Stephen's College to merge into Columbia University as an undergraduate college. It becomes fully secular and becomes the first college in the U.S. to give full academic status to the study of the creative and performing arts. (Bard College, NY)
- Oxford College for Women is merged into Miami University. (OH)
- Schuylkill College merges into Albright College. (PA)
- The Hebrew Education Society merges into Gratz College. The merger is made possible by a special grant voted by the Federation of Jewish Charities. (PA)

1929 *The Stock Market Crash of 1929, beginning the Great Depression, 1929-33*

- The Boston School of Physical Education faces dire financial challenges, and merges with the Bouvé School from which it had split some years earlier. The new school is named the Bouvé-Boston School of Physical Education. (Northeastern University, MA)
- Hannibal-LaGrange College is founded through the merger of Hannibal College and LaGrange Male and Female Seminary. (Hannibal-LaGrange University, MO)
- The Bethel Bible Training Institute of Newark, N.J. merges into Central Bible Institute, MO. (Evangel University, MO)
- Eureka College closes due to lack of enrollment. (NC)
- Bethany-Peniel College absorbs Central Nazarene College. (Southern Nazarene University, OK)
- Bryson College closes and merges into Erskine College. There are reports that Bryson's negotiations to become a state-supported institution hurt the Presbyterian college's enrollment. (SC)
- Sioux Falls University acquires 4 defunct Baptist schools in quick succession: Des Moines University (IA), Cedar Valley Seminary, and Parker College (MN), and Grand Island College. With the final merger of Grand Island College in 1931, the institution is renamed Sioux Falls College. (University of Sioux Falls, SD)

1930

- Lombard College closes because of decreases in the endowment, deficit financing, the failure of the Universalist and Unitarian churches, and the stock market crash. Students and alumni are invited to join Knox College and its Alumni Association. Its Divinity School merges with Meadville Theological School, and the resulting Meadville Theological Seminary in Chicago continues to hold the Lombard charter. (IL)
- Teachers College of Indianapolis merges into Butler University, establishing its College of Education. (Butler University, IN)
- Missouri Wesleyan College becomes a 2-year college because it has lost its accreditation and closes in 1930. Its assets go to Baker University. (KS)
- Mount Ida School for Girls closes down due to financial difficulties during the Depression and is purchased and reopened in 1939 as Mount Ida Junior College, a women's school, that does not confer associate's degrees until 1967. (Mount Ida College, Closed, MA)
- The Pittsburgh-Xenia Theological Seminary of the United Presbyterian Church is founded by merging the Xenia Theological Seminary and the Seminary of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. (Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, PA)
- Queens College becomes associated with the Presbyterian Synod of South Carolina through a merger with Chicora College in SC. (Queens University of Charlotte, NC)
- Summerland College merges with Newberry College, making the latter coeducational. (SC)

- Texas Presbyterian College merges into Austin College. (TX)

1931

- University of Hawaii absorbs the Territorial Normal and Training School, which is renamed Teachers College. (University of Hawaii, HI)
- Bethany-Peniel College absorbs Arkansas Holiness College. (Southern Nazarene University, OK)
- Because of enrollment and financial problems the Methodist Church trustees vote to close Texas Women's College. It is saved by merging with Texas Wesleyan Academy in 1935. (Texas Wesleyan University, TX)
- Martha Washington College closes and its business becomes a hotel. (Emory and Henry College, VA)

1932

- Mount Morris College is destroyed by fire in 1931, and merges into Manchester College in 1932. (Manchester University, IN)
- New Orleans Conservatory of Music and Dramatic Art merges into Loyola University. (Loyola University New Orleans, LA)
- The Portland School of Social Work and the University of Oregon nursing program are taken over by the Oregon Medical School to form its Department of Nursing Education. (Oregon Health and Science University, OR)
- The Philadelphia School of Design for Women merges into the Moore Institute of Art, Science, and Industry. (Moore College of Art and Design, PA)
- Alderson Broaddus College is created by merging Alderson Academy and Junior College and Broaddus College. (Alderson Broaddus University, WV)
- Hartshorn Memorial College merges into Virginia Union University. (VA)

1933

- Wartburg College merges with Wartburg Normal College. (Wartburg College, IA)
- The Colleges of the City of Detroit is founded by merging the Detroit Medical College, the Detroit Teachers College, and the Detroit College of Pharmacy. (Wayne State University, MI)

1934

- The Evanston Collegiate Institute is created by merging the Swedish Methodist Theological Seminary and the Norwegian-Danish Theological Seminary. (Kendall College, IL)
- The Chicago Training School merges into Garret Biblical Institute. (Garrett-Evangelical Theological Institute, IL)
- Brevard College, founded by merging Rutherford College, Weaver College, and Brevard Institute under the control of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. (NC)
- Northwest Christian College is created by merging Spokane University assets into Eugene Bible College after the former fails financially. (Northwest Christian University, OR)
- The San Antonio School of Law merges into Saint Mary's University. (TX)

1935

- Saint Paul-Luther College merges into Wartburg College. (IA)
- Dillard University is founded as a result of merging New Orleans University and Straight College. It is planned as a coeducational, interracial school with a

- predominantly African American student body. (LA)
- Texas Wesleyan College is created by merging Texas Women's College and Texas Wesleyan Academy. (Texas Wesleyan University, TX)

1936

- The Benjamin Harrison Law School merges into the Indiana Law School. (Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis, IN)
- Marian College is created by merging St. Francis Normal School for Women and Immaculate Conception Junior College. (Marian University, IN)
- The University of Newark is created by merging together Dana College, New Jersey Law School, and the Seth Boyden School of Business. (Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey-Newark, NJ)
- The Rochester Athenaeum and Mechanics Institute acquires the Empire State School of Printing, which has faced declining enrollment because of the Depression. (Rochester Institute of Technology, NY)

1937 *Recession of 1937-38*

1938

- Kansas City School of Law merges into University of Kansas City (University of Missouri-Kansas City, MO)
- Millaps College absorbs Grenada College and Whitworth Female College, both of which are facing severe financial challenges. (MS)
- New York Medical College, Flower and Fifth Avenue Hospitals is created by merging New York Medical College and Flower. It is chartered to offer doctoral degrees as well as medical degrees. (New York Medical College, NY)
- Washington Bible Institute, based in MD, founded by merging the Bible Institute of Washington, emphasizing outreach to Jews; The American Home Bible Institute, emphasizing correspondence courses and home study; and the Washington School of the Bible, emphasizing Bible training for full-time Christian workers. (Lancaster Bible College, PA)
- Greenville Woman's College merges into Furman University. (Furman University, SC)

1939

- Mississippi Synodical College is merged into Belhaven College. (Belhaven University, MS)
- Eastern Bible Institute is founded by the consolidation of Beulah Heights Bible and Missionary Training School (NJ), Metropolitan Bible Institute (NY), New England Bible Institute (MA), and Pine Crest Bible Institute (NY). (University of Valley Forge, PA)
- Richmond Professional Institute of the College of William & Mary is created by merging together the Richmond School of Social Economy, the Richmond School of Art, and the School of Store Services Education plus other vocational departments.. (Virginia Commonwealth University, VA)

1940

- The Illinois Institute of Technology is created by merging the Armour Institute of Technology and the Lewis Institute. (IL)
- Bethany-Peniel College absorbs Bresee Theological College. (Southern Nazarene University, OK)

- 1941 *The U.S. enters World War II, 1941-45*
- The Kansas City-Western Dental College merges into the University of Kansas City. (University of Missouri-Kansas City, MO)
- 1942
- The Florida Baptist General State Convention merges the Florida Baptist Institute and the Florida Normal and Industrial Institute, which changes from a junior college to a 4-year liberal arts institution. (Florida Memorial University).
- 1943 *The V-12 Navy College Training Program launched at 131 colleges and universities*
- University of Connecticut acquires the Hartford Colleges of Law and Insurance. (University of Connecticut)
 - Western University closes after years of decreased state funding, other financial challenges, and lack of enrollment. Its programs are absorbed into the Kansas State Industrial School. (KS)
 - Asheville Farm School and the Dorland-Bell School for girls merge to become a coeducational secondary school, the Warren H. Wilson Vocational Junior College and Associated Schools. (Warren Wilson College, NC)
 - The State Teachers College at Radford and the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute merge as an effort to consolidate higher education institutions. Radford becomes the Women's Division of V.P.I. (Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Radford University, VA)
- 1944 *The GI Bill*
- Weatherford College faces declining enrollment and financial problems and merges into Southwestern University. (TX)
 - Westminster College is merged into Southwestern University. (TX)
 - Norfolk Polytechnic College is merged into Virginia State College by act of the Virginia Legislature. (Norfolk State University, VA)
 - Mary Washington College merges into the University of Virginia as the women's liberal arts college in the otherwise all-male University of Virginia. (University of Mary Washington, VA)
- 1945
- Pacific University enters the health professions through a merger with the North Pacific College of Optometry. (OR)
- 1946
- Rutgers University-Newark is created by merging Rutgers University and the University of Newark. (NJ)
 - New Jersey Law School merges into Rutgers University. (NJ)
 - Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia asks the founders of the Casey Jones School of Aeronautics to found an aviation school at the new LaGuardia Airport in NY. It is called the Academy of Aeronautics. Following World War II the 2 schools are merged. (The Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology, NY)
 - Daniel Baker College merges into Southwestern University. (TX)
- 1947
- Louisiana State University Medical Center at Shreveport is created by merging the Confederate Memorial Medical Center and the LSU School of Medicine. (Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center Shreveport, LA)

1948

- The SC Methodist Conference merges Columbia College into Wofford College. (SC)

1949

- The Washington College of Law merges into American University. (DC)
- The Bible Holiness Seminary closes and is replaced by the Owosso Bible College. (John Wesley College, Closed, MI)

1950

- Northeastern University notifies the Springfield YMCA that it intends to shut down the Springfield Division. The Springfield Division trustees attempt to create a University of Springfield by merging with American International College and Springfield College, who reject the plan. They instead create a new institution, Western New England College. (Western New England University, MA)
- The College of South Jersey and the School of Law merge into Rutgers University to create Rutgers University-Camden. (NJ)
- Harpur College is created by merging Triple Cities College into the State University of New York. (State University of New York at Binghamton, NY)
- The Hebrew Union College and Jewish Institute of Religion merge to form the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. (NY)
- Long Island College of Medicine merges with the State University of New York and takes its new name ("Downstate") to distinguish it from the "Upstate" medical center in Syracuse. (State University of New York Downstate Medical Center, NY)
- St. Joseph Convent College of Music merges into Alverno College. (WI)

1951

- Brescia College, a Roman Catholic 4-year institution, founded by merging Saint Joseph Junior College for Women with the local coeducational extension courses (Brescia University, KY)
- The Catherine Labouré School of Nursing, founded by the Daughters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul by merging the Carney, St. John, and St. Margaret Schools of Nursing. (Labouré College, MA)
- The Philadelphia Bible Institute is created by merging the Bible Institute of Pennsylvania and the Bible Institute of Philadelphia. (Cairn University, PA)
- Sacred Heart School of Nursing merges into Alverno College. (WI)

1952

- Quinnipiac College acquires Larson College, a private women's college. (Quinnipiac University, CT)
- Huston-Tillotson College is created by merging Samuel Huston College and Tillotson College. (Huston-Tillotson University, TX)

1953

- South Central Bible College of Hot Springs, AK merges into Central Bible Institute, MO. (Evangel University, MO)
- Daniel Baker College merges into Howard Payne College. (Howard Payne University, TX)

1954 *The Brown v. Board of Education cases*

- Great Lakes Bible Institute of Zion, IL merges into Central Bible College. (Evangel

- University, MO)
- Harris Teachers College and Stowe Teachers College are merged in the wake of public school desegregation and renamed Harris-Stowe College. (Harris-Stowe State University, MO)
- The Columbia Institute of Chiropractic merges with the Columbia College of Chiropractic of Baltimore. (New York College of Chiropractic, NY)
- The Schauffler Missionary Training School transfers to the Oberlin Graduate School of Theology and is renamed the Schauffler Division of Christian Education. (Defiance College, OH)
- United Theological Seminary, founded by merging Bonebrake Theological Seminary and Evangelical School of Theology following the unity of the Evangelical Church and the United Brethren Church to create the Evangelical United Brethren Church. (OH)
- Tougaloo College and the Southern Christian Institute merge to create Tougaloo Southern Christian College. In 1962 it is renamed Tougaloo College. (MS)
- Moravian College is founded by merging Moravian Seminary and College for Women and Moravian College and Theological Seminary, although Moravian Theological Seminary remains independent but closely related. (PA)
- Clifton College is merged into Texas Lutheran College. (TX)

1955

- The District of Columbia Teachers College is created by merging Miner Teachers College and Wilson Teachers College. (University of the District of Columbia, DC)
- York College suffers a great fire. The denomination decides to merge the operations of York College into Westmar College and the former closes in 1955. It is reopened as a New York College in 1956. (NE)
- The University of Dallas, founded by the Western Province of the Sisters of Saint Mary of Namur, using the charter of the University of Dallas that closed in 1928. It also merges in the junior college Our Lady of Victory. The University is a 4-year Catholic institution open to all faiths and races. (TX)

1956

- St. Luke's Hospital Training School for Nursing and the Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing merge to create the Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing. It awards its first bachelor's degrees in 1975 and first doctorates in 1990. (Rush University, IL)
- Aquinas Institute of Philosophy and Theology in Dubuque, IA, an institution for men, founded by merging The Dominican Studium Generale and the Dominican College of St. Rose of Lima. (Aquinas Institute of Theology, MO)
- Mason College of Music and Fine Arts merges into Morris Harvey College. (University of Charleston, WV)
- The University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee is created by merging Wisconsin State College of Milwaukee and the university of Wisconsin's Milwaukee Extension. (University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, WI)

1957

- The University of Hartford is created by merging the Hartford Art School, Hillyer College, and the Hartt School. (CT)
- Black Mountain College is closed by court order because of its indebtedness. (NC)

1958 *The National Defense Education Act creates a federal student loan program*

- Jacksonville University merges with the Jacksonville College of Music. (FL)

- Carver College of Chiropractic, Oklahoma City merges with the Logan Basic College of Chiropractic. (Logan University, MO)
- Montclair State College is created by merging Montclair State Teachers College and the Panzer School of Physical Education. (Montclair State University, NJ)

1959

- The Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, founded by merging the Western Theological Seminary and the Pittsburgh-Xenia Theological Seminary. (PA)
- The Wisconsin State College and Institute of Technology is created by merging the Wisconsin Institute of Technology and Platteville State College. (University of Wisconsin – Platteville, WI).

1960

- Andrews University is created by merging Potomac University and Emmanuel Missionary College. In 1960 they merge to create Andrews University. (MI)
- When the United Evangelical Lutheran Church and other Lutheran synods merge, the convention merges Trinity Seminary (NE) into Wartburg Seminary (IA).

1961

- The California Institute of the Arts is created by Walt and Roy Disney by merging the Los Angeles Conservatory of Music and the Chouinard Art Institute. (CA)
- Portland University merges into the University of Maine. (ME)
- The Calvary Bible College is created by merging the Kansas City Bible College and the Midwest Bible and Missionary College. (Calvary Bible College and Theological Seminary, MO)

1962

- The San Francisco College of Physicians and Surgeons merges into the University of the Pacific. (University of the Pacific, CA)
- Southeastern Massachusetts Technological Institute is created by merging the Bradford Durfee College of Technology and the New Bedford Institute of Textiles and Technology. (University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, MA)
- United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, founded by the United Church of Christ by merging Mission House Seminary (Plymouth, WI) and Yankton School of Theology (Yankton, SD). The merger was enabled by the creation of the United Church of Christ through the union of Congregational Christian Churches and the Evangelical and Reformed Church. (MN)
- Midland Lutheran College is created by the Augustana Synod by merging Luther College and Academy and Midland College. (Midland University, NE)

1963 *Higher Education Facilities Act of 1963 authorizes assistance to nonprofit institutions of higher education for improvement of academic and related facilities.*

- The San Francisco College of Physicians and Surgeons merges into the University of the Pacific. (University of the Pacific, CA)
- The Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago is founded by merging Augustana Theological Seminary, Grand View Seminary Chicago Lutheran Theological Seminary, and Suomi Theological Seminary. This is as a result of the merger of the American Evangelical Lutheran Church, Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Church, Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (Suomi Synod), and United Lutheran Church in America to create the Lutheran Church in America. (IL)
- Bowling Green College of Commerce merges into Western Kentucky State College.

(Western Kentucky University, KY)

1964

- The Logan College of Chiropractic is created by merging the Missouri Chiropractic College and the Logan Basic College of Chiropractic. (Logan University, MO)
- The Columbia Institute of Chiropractic acquires the Atlantic States Chiropractic College. (New York College of Chiropractic, NY)
- Upland College, facing a financial crisis and closes. Messiah College takes over the operations. (Messiah College, PA)
- Milwaukee-Downer College for Women merges into Lawrence College, which is renamed Lawrence University. (WI)
- The St. Agnes School of Nursing merges into Marian College of Fond du Lac. (Marian University, WI)

1965 *The Higher Education Act of 1965 creates subsidized student loans for students attending accredited public and nonprofit higher education institutions*

- Andover Newton Theological School is created by merging Andover Theological Seminary and Newton Theological Institution. (MA)
- Azusa Pacific College is created by merging Azusa College and Los Angeles Pacific College. (Azusa Pacific University, CA)
- Racially segregated Hampton Junior College and Central Florida Junior College merge to create integrated Central Florida Community College. (Central Florida College, FL.)
- Racially segregated Jackson Junior College and Chipola Junior College merge to create an integrated Chipola Junior College. (Chipola College, FL)
- Racially segregated Volusia County Community College and Daytona Beach Junior College are merged to create an integrated Daytona Beach Junior College (Daytona State College, FL)
- Racially segregated Rosenwald Junior College and Gulf Coast Junior College merge to create an integrated Gulf Coast Junior College. (Gulf Coast State College, FL)
- Racially-segregated Lincoln Junior College and Indian River Junior College are merged to create an integrated Indian River Junior College. (Indian River State College, FL)
- Racially-segregated Johnson Junior College and Lake-Sumter Junior College merge to create an integrated Lake-Sumter Junior College. (Lake-Sumter State College, FL)
- Racially-segregated Collier-Blacker Junior College ceases operations in 1964, and its operations are taken over by St. Johns River Junior College. (St. Johns River State College, FL)
- Racially-segregated Gibbs Junior College and St. Petersburg Junior College are merged to create an integrated St. Petersburg Junior College. (St. Petersburg College.)
- Racially-segregated Roosevelt Junior College is closed despite being accredited because of the existence of Palm Beach Community College.
- The Northwestern College of Law is merged into Lewis and Clark College. (OR)
- Upland College merges into Messiah College. (PA)
- The Community Hospital of Roanoke Valley School of Nursing is founded by merging the Lewis-Gale School of Nursing and the Jefferson Hospital School of Nursing. (Radford University, VA)
- University of Wisconsin – Parkside, created by the merger of two 2-year centers in Racine and Kenosha. (WI)

1966

- The McGeorge School of Law merges into the University of the Pacific. (CA)
- Honolulu Christian College merges into Hawaii Pacific College (Hawai'i Pacific

- University, HI)
- Lutheran and Methodist Hospitals merge to create St. Luke's Medical Center (UnityPoint Health – St. Luke's) and they merge the Lutheran Hospital School of Nursing and Methodist Hospital School of Nursing to create the St. Luke's School of Nursing. (St. Luke's College, IA)
- College of St. Joseph of the Rio Grande closes and is succeeded by the University of Albuquerque, also a Catholic college. (Closed, NM)
- The Oberlin Graduate School of Theology merges into Vanderbilt University. (OH/TN)

1967

- La Sierra College merges into Loma Linda University and becomes its College of Arts and Sciences. (CA)
- Owosso College merges with Eastern Pilgrim College. (John Wesley College, Closed, MI)
- Case Western Reserve University is founded as a result of the merging of Western Reserve University and the Case Institute of Technology. (OH)
- Carnegie Mellon University is founded by merging Carnegie Technical Institute and the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research. (PA)

1968

- St. Joseph College of Orange merges into Marymount College. (Marymount California University, CA)
- The University of California, Irvine acquires the California College of Medicine. (CA)
- Ursuline College merges into Bellarmine College, making the latter coeducational. (Bellarmine University, KY)
- The Mather School of Nursing in New Orleans merges into William Carey College. (Closed, MS)
- The Sacred Heart Military Academy closes and relocates to Indiana as Le Mans Academy. The property is purchased by a new owner and becomes Maranatha Baptist Bible College. (Closed, WI)

1969

- The University of Arkansas at Little Rock is created by merging Little Rock University with the University of Arkansas. (AK)
- The Chicago-Kent College of Law merges into the Illinois Institute of Technology. (IL)
- Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis is created by merging the Indiana University and Purdue University extension programs in Indianapolis; the Indiana University School of Medicine, School of Law, and School of Dentistry and the Indiana University Herron School of Art, all in Indianapolis. (IN)
- Multnomah College is merged into University of Portland. (OR)

1970

- The Aerospace Technical Institute is merged into Florida Institute of Technology. (FL)
- Benedictine College is founded by merging St. Benedict's College and Mount St. Scholastica College. (KS)
- The Salmon P. Chase College of Law (Cincinnati) merges into Kentucky State College. (Northern Kentucky University, KY)
- The University of Maine at Portland-Gorham is created by merging Gorham State Teachers College and the University of Maine at Portland. (University of Southern Maine, ME)

- Mount Saint Agnes College is facing financial problems and merges into Loyola College, which makes Loyola co-educational. (Loyola University Maryland, MD)

1971 *Military Selective Service Act ends student deferments except for divinity students.*

- The University of Arkansas at Monticello is created by merging the Arkansas Agricultural and Mechanical College into the University of Arkansas. (AK)
- The Pestalozzi Froebel Teachers College is closed and its assets are acquired by the National College of Education. (National-Louis University, IL)
- Voorhees Technical Institute is merged into New York City Community College. (New York City College of Technology, NY)

1972: *The Higher Education Reauthorization Act provides grants and loans to students at accredited public, nonprofit, and for-profit schools.*

- Cardinal Cushing College closes. (MA)
- Miltonvale Wesleyan College merges into Bartlesville Wesleyan College. (Oklahoma Wesleyan University OK)
- Vermont College faces declining enrollments because of the emergence of community college, and Norwich University faces declining enrollments because of anti-military sentiment in the Vietnam era and the national trend to coeducation., so Vermont College (Vermont College of Fine Arts) merges into Norwich University. (VT)

1973 *Oil Crisis and 1973-75 Recession. End of the draft.*

- Loyola Marymount College is created by merging Loyola University and Marymount College. (CA)
- Saint Joseph College is facing declining enrollments and increasing financial problems and closes, merging into Mount Saint Mary's College, making Mount Saint Mary's co-educational. (CA)
- Parsons College, after nearly 20 years of earning a reputation as "Flunk Out U," and putting its accreditation in jeopardy, cannot maintain enrollment and goes into federal bankruptcy. The assets are then purchased by Maharishi International University. (IA)
- The Baltimore College of Commerce merges into the University of Baltimore (MD)
- The Polytechnic Institute of New York is created by merging the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn and the New York University School of Engineering and Science, both of which are suffering financial challenges. (New York University, NY)

1974

- Prescott College is bankrupt and closes. (CO)
- The Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary is created by merging the Garrett Theological Seminary (previously Garrett Biblical Institute) and the Evangelical Theological Seminary. (IL)
- Boston College acquires Newton College of the Sacred Heart. (MA)
- The Perry Normal School merges into Curry College. (MA)
- Western College fails financially and is merged into Miami University. (OH)
- Trinity Lutheran Seminary is founded by merging the Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary and the Hamma School of Theology of Wittenberg University. (OH)
- University of Houston-Downtown College is founded by acquiring the assets of South Texas Junior College. (University of Houston-Downtown, TX)
- The College of Racine faces increasing financial challenges and files for bankruptcy. After an unsuccessful attempt to merge with Lewis University, the college closes. (Closed, WI)

- The Layton School of Art faces severe financial challenges, increased in 1969 when freeway construction leads to the demolition of its building and it relocates to a suburb. With a major rift between the board and faculty, the trustees close the school. (Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design, WI)

1975 *End of the Vietnam War*

- The University of the District of Columbia is created by merging the District of Columbia Teachers College, Federal City College, and the Washington Technical Institute. (DC)
- Robert Morris College acquires the Moser School, a private business college. (Robert Morris University, IL)
- The University of Lowell is founded by merging the Lowell Technological Institute into Lowell State College. (University of Massachusetts Lowell, MA)
- Shawnee State General and Technical College is founded by merging Ohio University and Portsmouth and Scioto Technical College. (Shawnee State University, OH)
- Widener College acquires the Delaware Law School. (Widener University, PA)
- Lamar University Center at Port Arthur is created by merging Port Arthur College into Lamar College. (Lamar University, TX)

1976 *Roemer v. Board of Public Works of Maryland: The Supreme Court upholds the constitutionality of a state statute that allows religious colleges to receive public funds if the public funds are not substantially supporting sectarian activities.*

- The College of Staten Island of the City University of New York, the only public 4-year college on Staten Island, is founded by merging Staten Island Community College and Richmond College. Richmond College was facing possible closure because of New York City's financial crisis, while Staten Island Community College was more secure with state support. (NY)

1977

- After some years of financial distress, Grahm Junior College files for bankruptcy and closes. The rights to the academic programs are acquired by Mount Ida Junior College in 1979. (Mount Ida College, Closed, MA)
- After several years of enrollment and financial challenges, especially given shrinking demand for women's colleges, Briarcliff College is bankrupt and the trustees sell the institution's assets to Pace University. (Pace University, NY)
- Philadelphia College of Performing Arts acquires the Philadelphia Dance Academy. (University of the Arts, PA)

1978

- The University of San Francisco acquires Lone Mountain College. (CA)
- Ricker College, having face increasing competition from public institutions and declining enrollments, closes. (ME)
- New England Aeronautical Institute merges into Daniel Webster College. (Southern New Hampshire University, NH)
- Franconia College closes and Southern New Hampshire College absorbs some of its programs. (Southern New Hampshire University, NH)
- Kirkland College graduates its last class and is merged into Hamilton College, which becomes coeducational. (NY)
- Windham College, having faced severely declining enrollments, is down to 254 students and closes. The assets are later purchased by Landmark College. (Closed, VT)

1979

- National University acquires the Cabrillo Pacific College of Law. (CA)

- The University of New England is created by merging St. Francis College, which has been facing dropping enrollments and financial problems, and the New England College of Osteopathic Medicine. (ME)
- The Boston operations of Bryant & Stratton College are acquired by Mount Ida College. (MA)
- Bard College acquires Simon's Rock, which becomes Simon's Rock of Bard College. Simon's Rock has been struggling financially and has been seeking a school to acquire it. (Bard College at Simon's Rock, MA)
- Duns Scotus College is closed by the Friars Minor, the Franciscan order that ran it. (MI)
- Following years of litigation over race segregation issues, the historically white University of Tennessee at Nashville merges into the historically black Tennessee State University. (TN)
- The troubled International School of Law merges into George Mason University to become its law school. (VA)

1980

- The University of Alaska at Juneau is created by merging the Juneau-Douglas Community College and the Southeastern Senior College. (AK)
- Bangor General Hospital School of Nursing merges into Husson College. (Husson University, ME)
- The Center for Humanistic Studies in Detroit is founded as a degree-granting successor to the Merrill-Palmer Institute, which has closed and merged into Wayne State. It awards its first master's degrees in 1982. (Michigan School of Professional Psychology, MI)
- St. Xavier University acquires Edgecliff College. (OH)
- St. Gregory's Seminary, previously associated with The Athenaeum of Ohio and Mount St. Mary's Seminary of the West faces enrollment declines and closes. (OH)

1981

- Detroit Institute of Technology merges into the Lawrence Institute of Technology. (Lawrence Technological University, MI)
- John Wesley College is bankrupt and closes. Its assets are eventually acquired by Baker College. (MI)

1982

- Boston State College is merged into UMass Boston (MA)
- Newbury Junior College acquires Cardinal Cushing College. (Newbury College, Closed, MA)
- The Detroit Institute of Technology closes, partly because of losing at least one-third of its students during the Iranian crisis. (MI)
- Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary is created by merging Luther Theological Seminary and Northwestern Lutheran Theological Seminary. (Luther Seminary, MN)
- Union for Experimenting Colleges and Universities disbands, but the University Without Walls continues to operate. (Union Institute and University, OH)
- Linfield College acquires the Good Samaritan School of Nursing. (OR)
- Milton College, the longest-existing WI college, closes after its long-term financial challenges, and millions of dollars of debt, and threatened accreditation. (WI)

1985

- Colorado Christian College is created when Rockmont College closes (in 1984) because of financial difficulties, then merges with Western Bible College. (Colorado Christian University, CO)
- After years of financial difficulties, Barrington College merges into Gordon College. (MA)
- Baker Junior College and Muskegon College merge to become the Baker College System, which begins to acquire other campuses. (MI)
- Davenport College acquires Detroit College of Business. (Davenport University, MI)
- Cardinal Newman College closes due to financial problems. (Closed, MO)
- University of the Arts is founded by merging the Philadelphia College of Performing Arts and the Philadelphia College of Art. (PA)

1986

- Tift College merges into Mercer University. The Tift name is continued in some Mercer programs to preserve the name and heritage. (GA)
- The Midwest College of Engineering merges into Illinois Institute of Technology. (IL)
- University of Albuquerque closes due to financial problems. The College of Santa Fe agrees to “teach out” the students. (NM)

1987

- St. Paul Seminary merges into the College of Saint Thomas. (University of Saint Thomas, MN)
- The Citadel Bible College merges into Calvary Bible College. (Calvary Bible College and Theological Seminary, MO)
- Sacred Heart College, having suffered financial challenges, merges into Belmont Abbey College. (NC)
- Sayre Junior College is merged into Southwestern Oklahoma State University. (OK)

1988

- Clark Atlanta University is created by merging Atlanta University and Clark College. (GA)
- The Swain School of Design has been facing insurmountable financial difficulties and merges into Southeastern Massachusetts’ College of Visual and Performing Arts. (University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, MA)
- Chamberlayne Junior College merges into Mount Ida College. (MA)

1989

- Colorado Christian University is created by merging Colorado Christian College and Colorado Baptist University. (CO)
- The New England Institute of Funeral Service Education merges into Mount Ida College. (MA)
- Newbury College acquires some of the programs of Holliston Junior College, which has become bankrupt. (Closed, MA)
- The College of Saint Teresa, facing falling enrollments and financial challenges, closes. (MN)
- Elizabeth Seton College merges into Iona College. (NY)
- Villa Maria College merges into Gannon University. (PA)

1990

- The University of Detroit Mercy is created by merging the University of Detroit and Mercy College of Detroit. (MI)

1991

- St. Joseph College closes, transferring responsibilities for education of seminarians to St. Patrick's Seminary and University. (CA)
- Mallinckrodt College of the North Shore and Mundelein College merge into Loyola University of Chicago. (IL)

1992

- Florida Hospital College of Health Sciences is created by merging the health programs of Southern Missionary College and Florida Hospital. (Adventist University of Health Sciences, FL)
- Taylor University acquires Summit Christian College and renames its campus Taylor University Fort Wayne. (Closed, IN)
- Nazareth College is closed by its trustees and the assets revert to the Sisters of St. Joseph. (MI)
- Clarke College closes and is merged into Mississippi College years after the Baptist State Education Commission places Clarke under Mississippi College's control because of Clarke's financial problems and decreasing enrollments. (MS)
- The Westminster Choir College merges into Rider College. (Rider University, NJ)
- Texas Wesleyan University acquires the Dallas/Fort Worth School of Law. (TX)

1993

- The Grand Rapids School of Bible and Music is merged into Grand Rapids Baptist College and Seminary. (Cornerstone University, MI)
- Northeastern Christian Junior College merges into Ohio Valley College because of financial difficulties. (Ohio Valley University, WV)

1994

- Nova University and the Southeastern University of Health Sciences merge to form Nova Southeastern University. (CA)
- The Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary is created by merging the Goshen Biblical Seminary and the Mennonite Biblical Seminary. (Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, IN)
- The Barnes Hospital School of Nursing closes. The Barnes name is loaned to the University of Missouri at St. Louis School of Nursing until 2005.
- The King's College (Briarcliff, NY), facing declining enrollments, a financial crisis, and loss of accreditation, declares bankruptcy and closes. Its charter is acquired by the Campus Crusade for Christ, International. (NY)

1995

- Jordan College faces charges of fraud, has been facing litigation regarding mismanagement of federal student aid, and closes. (MI)
- Upsala College's accreditation is about to be reject for renewal of its accreditation because of declining academic standards and \$12.5 million in debt, so it declares bankruptcy and closes.
- The Wisconsin Synod closes Northwestern College and merges it into Martin Luther College. (MN)
- Kenrick-Glennon Seminary is created by merging Kenrick Seminary and Cardinal Glennon College. (MO)

1996

- Because of financial difficulties faced by Westbrook College, it merges with the University of New England, but under the charter of Westbrook. (ME)
- The Kendall College of Art and Design and Ferris State University begin a 4-year process of merging the former into the latter. (MI)
- Rogers University is created by merging Rogers State College and the University Center at Tulsa (UCAT). (Rogers State University, OK)
- George Fox University is created by merging Western Evangelical Seminary into George Fox College. (OR)
- Allegheny University of the Health Sciences is founded when the Allegheny Health, Education, and Research Foundation acquires both MCP and Hahnemann University and their hospitals and merges them. (Drexel University, PA)

1997

- Union-PSCE is founded by merging the Presbyterian School of Christian Education and the Union Seminary. (Presbyterian Union Seminary, VA)

1998

- After years of falling enrollments, St. Meinrad College closes. (IN)
- Saint Francis College acquires the Lutheran College of Health Professions and is renamed the University of Saint Francis. (IN)
- The Art Institute of Boston merges into Lesley College. (Lesley University, MA)
- Phillips University files for bankruptcy and closes. (OK)

1999

- Northwestern Health Sciences University is created by merging Northwestern College of Chiropractic and the Minnesota Institute of Acupuncture and Herbal Studies. (MN)

2000

- The University of Arkansas- Fort Smith is created by merging Westark College into the University of Arkansas. (AK)
- George Williams College merges into Aurora University. (IL)
- Davenport University is created through a merger of Davenport College, Detroit College of Business, and Great Lakes College. (MI)
- Global University is founded when the Assemblies of God merges Berea University and ICI University. (MO)
- The Dickinson School of Law merges into Pennsylvania State University. (PA)
- Chatanooga Bible Institute merges into the Psychological Studies Institute. (Richmont Graduate University, TN)
- Trinity College closes because of financial problems. Its graduate programs move to the Vermont Center of Southern New Hampshire University in Colchester. (VT)

2001

- Alliant International University is created by merging United States International University with the California School of Professional Psychology. (CA)
- Notre Dame College closes due to financial and enrollment challenges. (NH)
- The College of Insurance closes and St. John's University takes over its programs. (NY)
- Oregon Health and Science University is created by merging Oregon Health Sciences University with the Oregon Graduate Institute. (OR)
- The Montpelier campus of Norwich University (formerly Vermont College) is acquired by the Union Institute. (Vermont College of Fine Arts, VT)

2002

- Marymount College is consolidated into Fordham University and eventually phased out. (NY)
- MCP Hahnemann University merges into Drexel University to become its College of Medicine, College of Nursing and Health Professions, and Dornsife School of Public Health. (PA)
- Mount Senario College closes after years of financial trouble, enrollment loss and threats of accreditation loss. (Closed, WI)

2004

- Resurrection Health Care purchases the West Suburban Medical Center and the College of Nursing. (Resurrection University College of Nursing & College of Allied Health, IL)

2005

- William Tyndale College closes after years of financial challenges, many attempts to assist it, including by public officials and by Regent University, and finally, a successful federal lawsuit alleging that school officials were improperly using federal student aid funds. (Closed, MI)
- Potomac State College is merged into West Virginia University. (WV)

2006

- The Medical University of Ohio merges into the University of Toledo. (OH)

2007 *The Great Recession, 2007-09*

- The American Jewish University is founded by merging the University of Judaism and the Brandeis-Bardin Institute. (CA)
- Georgia Aviation Technical College (Eastman) is merged into Middle Georgia College. (Middle Georgia State University, GA)
- West Virginia Institute of Technology merges into West Virginia University. (WV)

2008

- Weston Jesuit School of Theology merges into Boston College, and is renamed the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry. (Boston College, MA)
- Polytechnic University merges into New York University and becomes the Polytechnic Institute of New York University, eventually its School of Engineering. (NY)
- Woodbury Colleges merges into Champlain College. (VT)

2009

- Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara merges into the Santa Clara University, becoming the Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University. (CA)

2010 *Maryland is the first state to recognize and govern a new corporate form, the public benefit corporation, increasingly used by for-profit higher education institutions to make them treated as nonprofit institutions.*

- Lincoln College of New England is founded by merging Briarwood College with Clemens College. (CT)
- The Michigan Theological Seminary merges with Moody Theological Seminary to become Moody Theological Seminary – Michigan. (MI)

- Dana College, facing a financial crisis, seeks to sell itself to the Dana Education Corporation, a new corporation owned by Nebraska Higher Education Holdings, LLC., who will turn it into a for-profit institution. Its regional accreditation agency denies the change of control for many reasons, including a lack of apparent financial sustainability and the inexperience of the proposed ownership and leadership in liberal arts education, the business of the College. It closes. Midland University acquires the property but decides not to reopen the college. (NE)
- College of Eastern Utah merges with Utah State University, making the former Utah State University Eastern. (UT)

2011 *In reaction to findings of problematic business practices of for-profit institutions, the Obama Administration releases “Program Integrity: Gainful Employment Measures,” new regulations that especially affect for-profit institutions that could make many of them ineligible for federal financial aid.*

- The Florida Center for Theological Studies merges into the School of Theology and Ministry at St. Thomas University. (FL)

2012 *Public Release of For Profit Higher Education: The Failure to Safeguard the Federal Investment and Ensure Student Success (“The Harkin Report”). Many for-profit institutions begin to go out of business as they are held to more scrutiny.*

- Georgia Regents University is created by merging Augusta State University and Georgia Health Sciences University. (Augusta University, GA)
- Middle Georgia State College is created by merging Macon State College and Middle Georgia College. (Middle Georgia State University, GA)
- Chester College of New England closes due to numerous problems, including a faculty vote of no confidence in the president. Most of the students transfer to the New Hampshire Institute of Art. (NH)
- Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary of Columbia, SC merges into Lenoir-Rhyne University. (NC)
- The University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey is dissolved. Most of its schools merge with Rutgers University to form a new Rutgers School of Biomedical and Health Sciences. The School of Osteopathic Medicine and its Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences merge with Rowan University. (NJ)
- Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine is acquired by Kent State University. (OH)
- Mountain State University loses its regional accreditation because of academic, financial, and leadership problems. It closes, and the University of Charleston takes over the assets. The assets were acquired again later by the West Virginia University Institute of Technology. (Closed, WV)
- Concordia University in Wisconsin merges with Concordia University in Ann Arbor because of the drop in enrollment at the latter campus. (Concordia University, WI)

2013

- Washington Theological Union closes after 2 years of a step-down process due to financial troubles. (DC)
- University of North Georgia is created by merging North Georgia College and State University and Gainesville State College. (GA)
- South Georgia State College is created by merging South Georgia College with Waycross College. (GA)
- Bangor Theological Seminary closes as a result of the decline need for ministers of mainline churches such as the United Church of Christ, with which the Seminary is associated. It has been spending its endowment principal for operations. (ME)

- College of Visual Arts closes due to severe financial challenges. (Closed, MN)
- The Assemblies of God merge Central Bible College and Assemblies of God Theological Seminary into Evangel University. (MO)
- Lancaster Bible College acquires the academic programs of Washington Bible College/Capital Bible Seminary. (PA)
- Florida Christian College (FL) merges into Johnson University (TN) and becomes Johnson University Florida.

2014

- The Thunderbird School of Global Management merges into Arizona State University (AZ)
- The Lyme Academy of Fine Arts is merged into the University of New Haven. (CT)
- Lexington College in Chicago has fewer than 100 students and closes. (IL)
- The New England School of Communications is merged into Husson University. (ME)
- Calvary Baptist Theological Seminary closes due to financial problems. (PA)

2015

- Clearwater Christian College because of financial problems and declining enrollments. (FL)
- Marion Court College closes because of financial problems and declining enrollments. (MA)
- William Carey College closes because enrollment does not rebound after Hurricane Katrina. (MS)
- The Forest Institute of Professional Psychology closes due to financial problems. (MO)

2016

- St. Catharine College closes because of massive debt. (KY)
- The George Meany Center for Labor Studies – the National Labor College closes due to financial problems. (MD)
- The School of the Museum of Fine Arts is merged into Tufts University. (MA)
- The Boston Conservatory merges into the Berklee College of Music, becoming Boston Conservatory at Berklee. (MA)
- Roger B. Miller College closes due to a history of financial improprieties and its unsustainable deficit. (MI)
- Daniel Webster College, a private, nonprofit college until ITT bought it and turned it into a for-profit institution in 2009, now closes because ITT has gone bankrupt. Southern New Hampshire University agrees to do teach-out programs for its students for one year. (NH)
- Union Graduate College merges into Clarkson University to become the Clarkson University Capital Region Campus. (NY)
- Burlington College closes because of significant financial problems. (VT)
- Trinity Lutheran College closes because of a lack of students. (WA)

2017

- Colorado Heights University, operated by the multinational foundation Teikyo University Group, closes. (CO)
- Armstrong State University merges into Georgia Southern University. (GA)
- Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College merges into Bainbridge State College. (GA)
- St. Joseph's College, facing a \$27 million debt, closes. Marion University plans to

- reopen the institution as a 2-year campus of Marion University. (IN)
- Boston University acquires financially troubled Wheelock College, which ceases to operate as an independent institution and becomes a college of Boston University. (MA)
- St. Gregory's University, having faced earthquake damage and financial crises, goes bankrupt and closes. (OK)

2018

- Lincoln College of New England is put on probation by its regional accreditation agency and closes. (CT)
- Atlantic Union College closes, having lost its accreditation in 2011. (MA)
- Mount Ida College closes after becoming financially unsustainable. Its students are offered automatic admission to UMass Dartmouth to complete their degrees, and UMass Amherst acquires the campus, causing an uproar at the University of Massachusetts, Boston and among state leaders. (MA)
- The National Graduate School of Quality Management relinquishes its accreditation and merges into the New England College of Business and Finance, after numerous problems, including settled allegations that its founding president had breached his fiduciary responsibility. (MA)
- Marylhurst University closes due to declining enrollments and financial problems despite changing its mission to serve adult learners and closes. (OR)
- Belmont University acquires the O'More School of Design. (TN)
- Northern Vermont University is founded by merging Johnson State College and Lyndon State College, with two campuses called NVU-Lyndon and NVU-Johnson. (VT)

2019

- Newbury College closes due to financial challenges. (MA)
- Baker College announces plans to close a few of its campuses in a consolidation move. (MI)
- The College of New Rochelle closes after years of financial challenges, including admission of faked budgets. (NY)
- Oregon College of Art and Craft closes after failed attempts to merge with another institution. (OR)
- Green Mountain College closes due to financial problems. (VT)
- The School for International Training Graduate School, facing loss of enrollment, closes its VT education programs, operating them only on other sites. (VT)
- Southern Vermont College loses its accreditation because of financial instability and closes. (VT)
- Jefferson College of Health Sciences announces it will merge into Radford University by the end of 2019. (VA)

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