

UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO
TOLEDO 6, OHIO

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

June 22, 1955

To: Dr. Jesse R. Long
From: Frank R. Hickerson


Dear Jesse:

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Medical College was discontinued in 1914.
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It had been established in 1906 and our College of Law
uses this as its founding date.
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College of Engineering.
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School in 1963.
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- 1916 College of Education established
- 1923 Colleges of Pharmacy, Law, Industrial Science and Commerce
were made departments of the College of Arts and Sciences.
- 1930 College of Business Administration established.
- 1931 College of Engineering established.
- 1937 Colleges of Pharmacy and Law reestablished.
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Jan. 3, 1980 BLADE

Initials

The designation of the University of Toledo now is UT instead of TU. The request to the media for this change was made by the university, and inasmuch as the UT appellation has become commonplace among the later generations of students, The Blade is happy to comply.

The use of TU came, of course, from the school's original name. On March 19, 1884, city council adopted the name "Toledo University" for the institution. On Oct. 3, 1921, council changed the name to "The University of the City of Toledo."

On Feb. 14, 1941, at the request of President Philip C. Nash, the university board voted to change the name to the "University of Toledo." At least one voice was raised that it was the province of city council and not the board to change the name, but the change stuck anyhow.

It was solidified in 1967 when the state took over the operation with a charter which refers to the school as the "University of Toledo."

So be it, UT.

Official Names of University

This information is from the January 22, 1941 Collegian (page one, center)

1872: Jessup W. Scott named the university the Toledo University of Arts and Trades

1884: Became Toledo University

September 1922: Became the University of the City of Toledo

January 21, 1941: By official action of the Board of Directors, became the University of Toledo. This change was recommended by Frank R. Hickerson