

# WILD RIDE!

TTUHSC celebrates a rich 50-year history full of patient care, research and education.



## 70's



**1972**

Texas Tech University School of Medicine formally opens in **Drane Hall** on the Texas Tech University campus with 36 freshmen and 25 junior students.



**1979**

The 66th Texas Legislature expands the university's original charter designating the institution as **Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center**.

1970



**1969**

The 61st Texas Legislature passes HB 498, signed by **Gov. Preston Smith** on May 27, creating the Texas Tech University School of Medicine.

**1977**

Gov. Dolph Briscoe signs landmark legislation — introduced by **Surendra K. Varma, MD**, and Sen. Kent Hance — mandating statewide hypothyroidism screening of newborns.





**1981**

The **School of Allied Health Sciences** seats its first class, following approval by the 67th Texas Legislature. The school name officially changes to **School of Health Professions** in 2015.



**1988**

The university holds its first **Student Research Week**. Today, the student-led event attracts more than 200 entries, with representation from every school and multiple campuses.



**1995**

TTUHSC receives its first U.S. patent, granted for an artificial blood substitute created by **Mario Feola, MD, Jan Simoni, DVN, PhD,** and **Peter C. Canizaro, MD.**



**2010**

**F. Marie Hall SimLife Center** opens on Lubbock campus and serves as a model for simulation training centers nationwide. Today, state-of-the-art simulation training is available at every TTUHSC campus.



# 90's

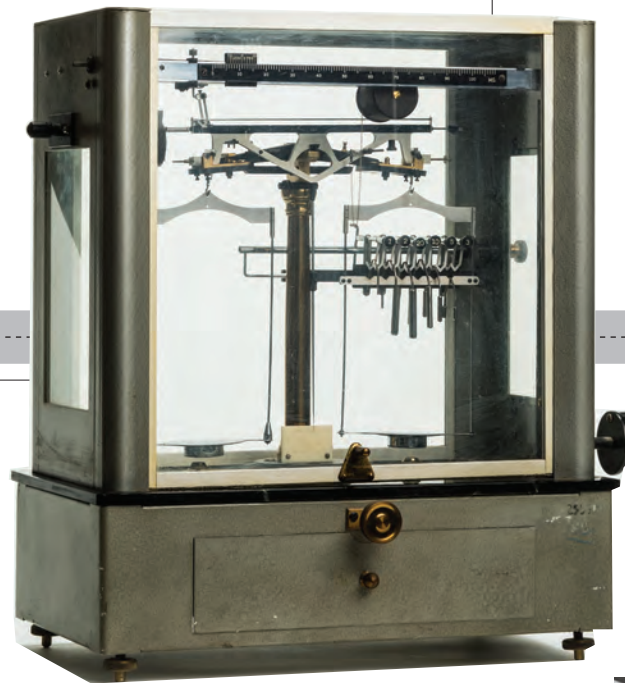
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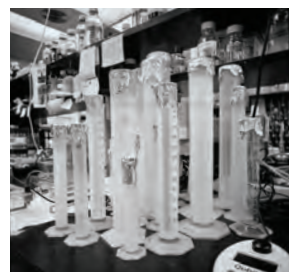
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**1985**

The **School of Nursing** expands to the Permian Basin. The 67th Texas Legislature approved a nursing school for the university in 1981 with the first class seated on Lubbock campus.



**1991**

The 72nd Texas Legislature establishes the **Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences** to coordinate graduate programs in the School of Medicine.



**1996**

**School of Pharmacy** seats its first class. The 73rd Texas Legislature created the school in 1993 based in Amarillo.

**2007**

TTUHSC Abilene campus opens with 40-member **School of Pharmacy** class. The campus now also houses nursing and biomedical sciences, including the public health program.



**2015**

**School of Nursing** becomes one of the first schools to offer academic credit for military medical experience with the addition of the **Veteran to Bachelor of Science in Nursing** program.