

SIGNIFICANT DATES FOR UAB

- 1821** Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama created by the General Assembly
- 1936** Extension Center of the University of Alabama opened in Birmingham
- 1945** School of Medicine moved from Tuscaloosa to Birmingham and became a four-year school
- 1945** Jefferson and Hillman Hospitals combined to serve as the teaching hospital for the School of Medicine
- 1949** School of Dentistry, with Dr. Joseph F. Volker as dean, enrolled its first class
- 1955** First Ph.D. earned on the Birmingham campus
- 1958** Campus expansion began with acquisition of approximately 8.5 blocks (60 acres) from the Birmingham Housing Authority
- 1966** Extension Center in Birmingham became the University of Alabama in Birmingham, one of three campuses of the University of Alabama
- 1966** College of General Studies established
- 1966** School of Health Services Administration established
- 1967** School of Nursing moved from Tuscaloosa to Birmingham
- 1969** UAB became an autonomous campus with Dr. Joseph F. Volker as its first president
- 1969** School of Community and Allied Health Resources established by the Alabama Legislature and Regional Technical Institute established for health occupations training
- 1969** School of Optometry established
- 1970** Graduate School established
- 1970** First degrees awarded by UAB
- 1971** College of General Studies reorganized as University College with Schools of Business, Education, Engineering, and Arts and Sciences
- 1973** School of Arts and Sciences restructured into Schools of Humanities, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, and Social and Behavioral Sciences
- 1975** Funds appropriated by Legislature for the purchase of approximately 30 blocks (140 acres) of Urban Renewal lands for UAB expansion
- 1976** Dr. Joseph F. Volker appointed first chancellor of the University of Alabama System
- 1977** Dr. S. Richardson Hill Jr. named second president
- 1981** School of Public Health established
- 1984** University of Alabama in Birmingham became University of Alabama at Birmingham
- 1987** Dr. Charles A. McCallum named third president
- 1987** School of Community and Allied Health became School of Health Related Professions
- 1988** School of Humanities became School of Arts and Humanities
- 1989** UAB exceeded \$100 million in active grants and contracts
- 1989** Use of the designation "University College" discontinued
- 1990** 50,000th degree awarded by UAB
- 1992** UAB's outpatient services moved to the newly constructed Kirklin Clinic
- 1993** Dr. J. Claude Bennett named fourth president
- 1994** UAB acquired Walker College, which became known as UAB Walker College
- 1995** Certificate-level, junior college linkage programs (Regional Technical Institute) in the School of Health Related Professions phased out
- 1995** Academic units reorganized under provost
- 1995** UAB Health System established
- 1995** UAB exceeded \$200 million in active grants and contracts
- 1997** Mr. Paul Hardin named interim president
- 1997** Dr. W. Ann Reynolds named fifth president
- 1998** Relationship terminated between UAB and UAB Walker College
- 1999** UAB launched the public phase of a \$250 million capital campaign, the largest capital campaign in the history of the state, goal was later raised to \$350 million
- 1999** Southern Research Institute affiliated with UAB
- 2000** UAB exceeded \$300 million in active grants and contracts
- 2001** UAB moved to a semester academic calendar
- 2002** University of Alabama Board of Trustees approved an affiliation agreement between the UAB Health System and Bessemer Carraway Medical Center

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- 2002** Dr. Malcolm Portera, Chancellor of the University of Alabama System, named interim president
- 2002** Dr. Carol Z. Garrison named sixth president
- 2003** Capital campaign officially ends on December 31, having raised \$388.7 million for UAB
- 2006** School of Health Related Professions became School of Health Professions
- 2007** Degrees awarded by UAB surpassed 100,000
- 2010** Schools of Arts and Humanities, Education, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, and Social and Behavioral Sciences merged and realigned as the College of Arts and Sciences
- 2010** UAB Women and Infants Center opened to patients
- 2010** UAB Highlands became part of UAB Hospital
- 2012** Dr. Richard B. Marchase named interim president
- 2012** School of Education established as separate school from the College of Arts and Sciences
- 2013** Dr. Ray L. Watts named seventh president
- 2013** UAB School of Business named Collat School of Business
- 2013** UAB launched the public phase of a \$1 billion capital campaign
- 2014** Inaugural deans appointed for Honors College and UAB Libraries
- 2015** UAB welcomed its highest performing freshman class ever, with an average ACT of 25 (top 21% nationally)
- 2016** On Jan. 15, UAB opened the state-of-the-art Hill Student Center

Fall 2016 enrollment was highest in UAB history at 19,535, including the largest freshman class ever (2,021)
- 2017** For the second straight year, fall enrollment broke new records, rising 7 percent for Fall 2017 to 20,902

UAB's annual economic impact reaches \$7.15 billion in a new report from TrippUmbach

UAB PRESIDENTS

- 1969-1976** Dr. Joseph F. Volker
- 1977-1987** Dr. S. Richardson Hill Jr.
- 1987-1993** Dr. Charles A. McCallum
- 1993-1996** Dr. J. Claude Bennett
- 1997** Mr. Paul Hardin (Interim)
- 1997-2002** Dr. W. Ann Reynolds
- 2002** Dr. Malcolm Portera (Interim)
- 2002-2012** Dr. Carol Z. Garrison
- 2012-2013** Dr. Richard B. Marchase (Interim)
- 2013-PRESENT** Dr. Ray L. Watts