

**SOUTHERN MEDICAL COLLEGE.**  
**Southern Medical College records, 1878-1898**

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**Descriptive Summary**

**Creator:** Southern Medical College.  
**Title:** Southern Medical College records, 1878-1898  
**Call Number:** Series No. 002  
**Extent:** 1.25 linear ft. (3 boxes)  
**Abstract:** Consists of historical information and administrative records relating to the Southern Medical College between 1878-1898.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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**Administrative Information**

**Restrictions on Access**

Unrestricted access.

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**Related Materials in This Repository**

Atlanta Medical College records, Atlanta College of Physicians and Surgeons records, and the Atlanta School of Medicine records.

**Source**

Unknown.

**Citation**

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## **Collection Description**

### **Biographical Note**

Dr. T. S. Powell founded Southern Medical College in 1878, ten years after the controversy that resulted in Dr. Powell's resignation from the faculty of the Atlanta Medical College. The institution was chartered on November 21, 1878. In June 1879 the first faculty was elected, and classes began on November 1, 1879. The building was located on Edgewood Avenue near the intersection of what is now Park Place. The Providence Infirmary was opened in 1880 by the college on property adjacent to the school to provide clinical experience for its students. Although Dr. Powell and his colleagues had plans to develop dental, pharmaceutical and law departments, only the dental department actually materialized.

In 1892 Southern Medical College constructed a new building adjacent to the Atlanta Medical College, across the street from Grady Hospital. Their differences were eventually resolved during the six years that the schools operated as neighbors. In 1898 the two schools merged to become the Atlanta College of Physicians and Surgeons.

### **Scope and Content Note**

The records of the Southern Medical College consist primarily of historical information and administrative records. The historical information files contain photocopies and typescripts of a variety of promotional pamphlets and newspaper articles reporting on each year's commencement exercises. Administrative records include the annual announcements, board of trustees' minutes, the constitution and by-laws for the school, and various other legal and informational documents.

### **Arrangement Note**

Arranged by document type and chronologically thereunder.

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## Container List

### Historical Information

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Guide to sources, undated
1	2	First session, 1879-1880
1	3	Second session, 1880-1881
1	4	Third session, 1881-1882
1	5	Fourth session, 1882-1883
1	6	Fifth session, 1883-1884
1	7	Sixth session, 1884-1885
1	8	Seventh session, 1885-1886
1	9	Eighth session, 1886-1887
1	10	Ninth session, 1887-1888
1	11	Tenth session, 1888-1889
1	12	Eleventh session, 1889-1890
1	13	Twelfth session, 1890-1891
1	14	Thirteenth session, 1891-1892
1	15	Fourteenth session, 1892-1893
1	16	Fifteenth session, 1893-1894
1	17	Sixteenth session, 1894-1895
1	18	Seventeenth session, 1895-1896
1	19	Eighteenth session, 1896-1897
1	20	Nineteenth session, 1897-1898

### Administrative Records

2	1	Annual announcements (incomplete)-originals, 1881-1898
2	2	Annual announcements (photocopies), 1879-1883
2	3	Annual announcements (photocopies), 1883-1886
2	4	Annual announcements (photocopies), 1890-1893
2	5	Annual announcements (photocopies), 1893-1895
2	6	Annual announcements (photocopies), 1896-1898
2	7	Board of trustees minutes, 1879
3	1	Board of trustees minutes; Constitution and by-laws, 1879-1891
2	8	Clinic schedules
3	2	Constitution and by-laws, 1892
2	9	Laying of cornerstones, 1879, 1892
2	10	Purchase of land, 1892
2	11	Petition for charter, 1879

- 2 12 Petitions to amend charter, 1887, 1889
- 2 13 Dental department, 1887-1896

**Photographs**

- 2 14 Photographs, 1879, undated
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