TUMS History
A Timeline

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As the leading medical sciences university of Iran, Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS) holds dear a proud and productive history; a tale of growth and progress which is tied to some of the most historic individuals and events of this country.

Here is a glimpse into the path that TUMS has trodden so far…

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20 medical students, as the first group of medical sciences students, started their studies at Dar ol-Fonun.

Seyyed Mohammad Tadayon,
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The very first sparks regarding the establishment of a university, referred to then as Dar ol-Olum, flared with the teaching of different fields of science.

Tehran Women’s General Hospital, previously known as Jahanshah Saleh Hospital, was established.

Medical education expanded after Dar ol-Fonun Medical School was established thanks to the efforts of Dr. Mohammad Hossein Loghman Adham. Prior to this event, medical education was confined to mere medical classes.

Farabi Hospital, affiliated with TUMS about 41 years later, was founded.
A general plan to establish Dar ol-Olum in Tehran was devised and presented. The first building of the Five-Hundred-Bed Hospital was constructed, a building which would go on to evolve into today’s Imam Khomeini Hospital Complex.

The university legislation was presented to the Parliament, and its establishment was approved. The first building of University of Tehran, Salle de Dessection or Dissection Hall, was opened, and the University Memorial Plate was placed at the foot of the current southern stairway of TUMS School of Medicine on February 4.

Regulations of the School of Medicine were approved.

Razi Hospital, an affiliate with the soon-to-be-established School of Medicine as of 1940, was founded.
The School of Medicine, together with the establishments known today as the School of Dentistry and the School of Pharmacy, were opened on March 5, which brought about the integration of Dar ol-Fonun Medical School into the School of Medicine.

Sina Hospital, which was founded in 1837 and started its activities under the name of Marizkhane Dolati (Government Hospital), became an affiliate of the School of Medicine.

Many efforts were made regarding the preparation of regulations and academic curriculum, commencement of internships at hospitals, equipping of laboratories, and recruitment of teachers.

The affiliation of the hospitals in Tehran with the School of Medicine was approved.

The university's paperwork and technical activities underwent a transformation, and many of such systemic activities were either modified or replaced.

Shahid Akbarabadi Hospital, which became a TUMS affiliate in 2010 during the integration of Iran University of Medical Sciences into TUMS, was founded.

Baharloo Hospital, which became a TUMS affiliate in 1994, was established.
The Higher Education Institute of Nursing, which supplied workforce and provided services to the hospitals of the School of Medicine, was founded.

The Cancer Institute, a center for education, research and treatment, was established.

Roozbeh Hospital and Firoozgar Hospital, the latter being originally an affiliate of Iran University of Medical Sciences, were founded.

Education in the field of Pharmacy separated from the School of Medicine, and the School of Pharmacy started its activities independently.

Bahrami Children’s Hospital, a pioneer institute in pediatrics which became an affiliate with the School of Medicine about three years later, was founded.

The Department of Dentistry separated from the School of Medicine and developed into the School of Dentistry.
Dr. Ahmad Farhad Motamed
Dean, School of Medicine
Hasheminejad Kidney Center Hospital, the first center for kidney and urinary tract diseases, an original affiliate of Iran University of Medical Sciences, was founded.

Dr. Jahanshah Saleh, Dean, School of Medicine

The School of Public Health was founded.

Shariati Hospital, an affiliate of the School of Medicine from 1973, was founded.

1957

1963

1965

1967

1968

Dr. Mohammad Ali Hafizi, Dean, School of Medicine

Dr. Ebrahim Samiyie, Dean, School of Medicine

Rajaie Hospital, a medical and research center for cardiovascular diseases and a current affiliate of Iran University of Medical Sciences, along with the Children’s Medical Center, was established.
Shafa Yahyaian Hospital, a center specializing in orthopedic surgery, was founded. This hospital is an original affiliate of Iran University of Medical Sciences, and it operated under TUMS during the integration of the two universities.
The first building of today’s Rasoul Akram Hospital Complex, currently an affiliate of Iran University of Medical Sciences, began its activities.

Darius the Great Hospital, now known as Shahid Motahari Hospital, another hospital which operated under TUMS during the integration of the two medical sciences universities, was established.

Arash Women’s Hospital, named after Mr. Hormoz Arash who was known for his significant donations to the society, was founded.

The hospital known today as Vali-e Asr Hospital as a part of Imam Khomeini Hospital Complex, was established.

The School of Allied Medicine, currently bearing the name TUMS School of Allied Medical Sciences, was founded.

Hazrat Fatemeh Hospital, previously known as Notre Dame de Fatima, which worked under TUMS supervision during the integration of Iran University of Medical Sciences into TUMS, was established.

Shar-e Azad Hospital, known today as Ali Asghar Children’s Hospital, was founded. This medical institution which specializes in child health care became a subdivision of TUMS during the integration of Iran University of Medical Sciences in 2010.
All medical schools, along with other institutes and organizations associated with medical fields, were separated from University of Tehran and continued their activities independently as Tehran University of Medical Sciences.
TUMS School of Nursing and Midwifery was founded as a result of a merger among several nursing institutes.

Ziyayian Hospital was founded.

The Department of Physiotherapy, which subsequently changed into TUMS School of Rehabilitation, separated from TUMS School of Medicine.

TUMS Medical Imaging Center was founded.

Dr. Mohammad Reza Zafarghandi, TUMS Chancellor
Dr. Bagher Larijani, TUMS Chancellor

2001

TUMS National Museum of Medical Sciences History was founded.

Tehran Heart Center was established.

2004

Iran Center for Psychiatry Training and Treatment, which operated under TUMS during the integration of Iran University of Medical Sciences, was established.

2005

2006

TUMS School of Traditional Medicine, a focal point between the university and the industry in the field of traditional medicine, was founded.

Office of Distance Education commenced its activities.
TUMS School of Advanced Technologies in Medicine was founded.

TUMS School of Nutritional Sciences and Dietetics was founded.

TUMS Virtual School was created.

Iran University of Medical Sciences was integrated into TUMS.

Under the supervision of Dr. Bagher Larijani, TUMS received international accreditation from ASIC, becoming the first Iranian university with official international accreditation.

Iran University of Medical Sciences, along with all of its affiliated hospitals and research centers, separated from TUMS.
The path travelled so far may have been long or arduous at times. But the road that lies ahead stretches as far as the horizon, and the future is ever bright.

And history is still to be made...