

Brief History of Marian Court College

Consistent with their belief in the value of education, the Congregation of Religious Sisters of Mercy founded Marian Court in 1964 to provide quality education based on the core values of Mercy. Due to small enrollment numbers, coupled with insurmountable financial challenges, however, the College officially closed on June 30, 2015.

Throughout its 50 years of service, the Institution demonstrated its commitment to educational excellence by continuously exploring and addressing the educational needs of the time and area and enriching its curriculum accordingly. Shortly after its founding, it offered secretarial programs. In 1980, it became Marian Court Junior College of Business and by 1984 was offering associate degrees in business related areas. A core curriculum of liberal arts delivered through day and evening programs evolved into advanced Bachelor in Science degrees; and in 1994, the Institution changed its name to Marian Court College. The final expansion came in 2012 when it began offering a 4-year Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration and Criminal Justice.

Accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Marian Court College was situated on a six-acre oceanside campus in Swampscott, Massachusetts, north of Boston. The main mansion building (which once was the summer White House for President Calvin Coolidge, 30th President of the United States) housed faculty and administrative offices, classrooms, and lounges. A 1985 addition contained technology-enhanced classrooms, the Lindsay Library and Resource Center, and a 200-seat auditorium.

Marian Court students have transferred to neighboring educational institutions where they will continue their pursuit of lifelong learning and embodying the Mercy values of compassion, justice, integrity, and service they began at Marian Court.