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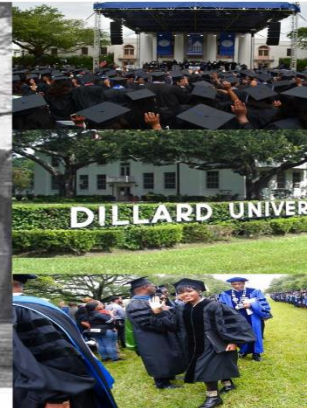
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In 1869, with support from the American Missionary Association of the congregational church (now the United Church of Christ) and the Freedman's Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church (now the United Methodist Church), Straight University and the Union Normal School have founded. They were subsequently renamed Straight College and New Orleans University, respectively. Gilbert Academy, a secondary school, was a unit of New Orleans University.

In 1889, New Orleans University opened a medical department, including a School of Pharmacy and a School of Nursing. The medical department was renamed Flint Medical College and the affiliated facility was named the Sarah Goodridge Hospital and Nurse Training School. The medical college was discontinued in 1911, but the hospital, including the nurse school, was

continued under the name Flint Goodridge Hospital. Straight College operated a law department from 1874 to 1866.

In 1935, New Orleans University and Straight College merged to form Dillard University. The trustees of the new university called for the implementation of a coeducational, interracial school, serving a predominately African-American student body adhering to Christian principles and values. The University was named in honor of James Hardy Dillard, a distinguished academician dedicated to educating African Americans.