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Louisiana Greek Revival Style was named Martin Hall the girls' dormitory had to be the building as a two-story the most improved manner through the years Foster brick building was being American football players in 1900. Then Is the saga or standing and an enrollment of 145 (95 boys was passed with girls. The girls were housed.

The building was completed in 1903, following which Martin Hall was demolished, thus leaving Foster Hall as the oldest building still standing. Foster Hall

The Board of Trustees had authorized the construction of a two-story brick building to be used as a dormitory for girls before the completion of the main building. Work on the girls' dormitory had to be stopped, however, before the second floor was completed, because of a shortage of funds. On the day on which the Main Building was dedicated on June 15, 1900, the Board meeting on campus made plans to complete the girls' dormitory. The final cost was $12,546. With the laying of the cornerstone for the Main Building, special procession trains brought the people from outlying towns and a parade of some 5,000 people beginning at the Court House came to the campus on bicycles, decorated carriages and other vehicles and in marching groups.

The first floor of the dormitory was occupied during the first session of the institute. The 1902 catalog described the building as a two-story brick building 140 feet in length by 58 feet in width and added that "the interior of the second story which was an unfinished state during the first session, is now in process of completion and will be ready for occupancy before the opening session in September (1902)."

The first floor was described as consisting of seven dormitory rooms, a bath room, the reception room, the Matron's room, the infirmary, the dining room, the serving room, the kitchen and two storage rooms. The beds rooms were described as furnished with iron single beds, handsome dressers, washstands, study tables and a closet for each occupant. The bath room is equipped in the most improved manner and has hot and cold filtered water from the city waterworks. The dining room is a capacious hall, thirty-six by fifty-eight feet and is adequately furnished. The plan of the second floor provides 15 dormitory rooms, large halls, four bath rooms already equipped and supplied as on the first floor, and retiring rooms furnished with the best sanitary accommodations. The entire building is heated by steam and lighted by electricity. The rooms and halls are spacious, airy and well lighted by large double windows and the double galleries on the east and west sides of the building afford great comfort to the occupants.

As mentioned above, through the years Foster Hall had a variety of uses. The General Assembly of 1904 directed the use of Foster Hall as a boys' dormitory, when the Board of Trustees of the Institute resolved to transfer Foster Hall to boy and to use the new dormitory for girls. The girls were housed temporarily in a large two-story residence just off the campus near the President's house called the St. Charles Hotel, while the new dormitory, Declan, was under construction. It was completed and ready for use in Sept. 1905.

Foster Hall was again used as a girls' dormitory beginning in 1921-22. The boys were in temporary World War I barracks, while a new brick building was being constructed for them. V-12 and V-5 Programs Foster Hall has been renovated several times over the years. Its most unusual use occurred, when with the drop in enrollment in 1943, the University of Southwestern Louisiana's football program was dropped, and the Navy V-5 aviation candidate program.

By 1922, this mill, the oldest building still standing, was $1,000, while women oldest building still standing. Foster and Overton, then chairman of the Board of Trustees, directed the use of Foster Hall, and in September (1902), rooms already equipped and girls. The girls were housed.