**Timeline of JSU Nursing**

**1967** – Lurleen B. Wallace SON created

**1969** – Dr. Mary Williams became dean until 1978

**1972** – First graduating cohort of ten students from the traditional nursing program

Construction of Wallace Hall

**1974** – National League for Nursing accreditation

**1978** – Dr. Roberta Watts became dean until 1995

**1979-80** – Name changed to Lurleen B. Wallace College of Nursing

**1993-94** – STEP program began

**1995** – First graduating cohort of three students from the STEP program

**1996** – Dr. Martha Lavender became dean until 2004

**1997-98** – Name changed to Lurleen B. Wallace College of Nursing & Health Sciences

**1998** – Degree changed to Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing (BSN) from Bachelor of Science with Major in Nursing (BS)

**1998** – Alabama Commission on Higher Education approved Master of Science in Nursing program

**2000** – First graduating cohort from MSN program of 10 students

**2004** – Dr. Sarah Latham became dean until 2013

**2013** – Dr. Christie Shelton became dean and continues to preside over the programs

**2016** – High fidelity simulation lab created and opened for traditional nursing students

**2016** – The Doctor of Nursing Practice was approved by ACHE

**2016** – The College of Nursing became the Department of Nursing within the School of Health Professions & Wellness

**2017** – DNP program admits first cohort to the Family Nurse Practitioner, Adult Gero Nurse Practitioner, and Post-Master’s tracks