

## Lucy Hobbs Taylor's diploma

This is Lucy Hobbs Taylor's diploma from Ohio College of Dentistry. In 1866 she became the first woman in the world to receive a doctorate in dentistry. She married Civil War veteran James Myrtle Taylor and began to teach him dentistry. The couple moved to Lawrence in 1867 and established a joint practice. The Taylors purchased an empty lot in Lawrence (now 809 Vermont Street) and built a combination office and residence. Here they created one of the most successful dental practices in Kansas. They built a home on Ohio Street and moved their practice to a commercial building at 8th and Massachusetts streets. A year after her husband died in 1886, Taylor retired and devoted her time to charity and social causes, namely women's rights.

Creator: Ohio College of Dentistry

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