

FORM B - BUILDING

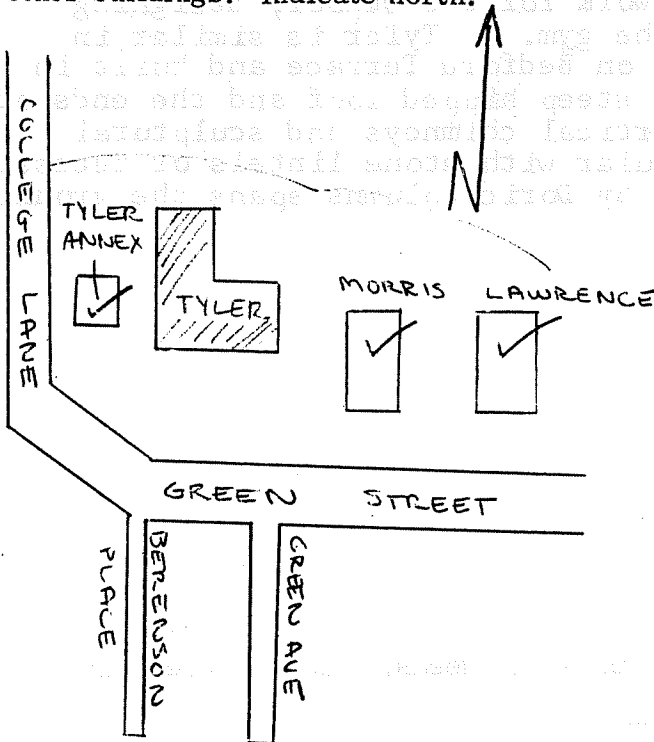
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
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Northampton  
Smith College Campus  
Tyler House  
Residence Hall  
Smith College  
1897-98  
Smith College Archives  
Queen Anne/Tudor  
William C. Brockelsby

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



Exterior wall fabric brick  
 Outbuildings (describe) none  
 Other features 3 1/2 stories; end gables, ornamental chimneys; tiled roofs; stepped gables; dormers  
 Altered later bays?    Date     
 Moved no Date   

5. Lot size:  
 Less than one acre    Over one acre x  
 Approximate frontage 256 feet  
 Approximate distance of building from street 100 feet

6. Recorded by C. Dubie  
 Organization Northampton Historical Commission  
 Date May 2, 1976

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE  
 USGS Quadrant \_\_\_\_\_  
 MHC Photo no. \_\_\_\_\_

✓ inventoried property

(over)

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7. Original owner (if known) Smith College  
 Original use Dormitory  
 Subsequent uses (if any) and dates Dormitory

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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| Aboriginal            | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Conservation               | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Recreation              | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Agricultural          | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Education                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Religion                | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Architectural         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Exploration/<br>settlement | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Science/<br>invention   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| The Arts              | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Industry                   | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Social/<br>Humanitarian | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Commerce              | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Military                   | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Transportation          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Communication         | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Political                  | <input type="checkbox"/>            |                         |                          |
| Community development | <input type="checkbox"/>            |                            |                                     |                         |                          |

9. Historical Significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

One of a large grouping of institutional buildings, Tyler House Smith College dates from 1897 and represents the second major period of the school's growth, the 1890's. Smith was founded in Northampton in 1874 "for the education of women and the progress of the race."

Peabody & Stearns of Boston were the principal architects of College building through the late 1880's, at which time William C. Brockeslby of Hartford began to work for the school, designing residences, lecture halls, and the gym. Tyler is similar in style to Albright house, located on Bedford Terrace and built in 1899. The mass is capped with a steep hipped roof and the ends of the block defined by strongly vertical chimneys and sculptural gables. Window openings are regular with stone lintels or recessed brick arches. A porch supported by Doric columns spans the ground level of the facade.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.) Smith College Archives.