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# Marks, Gladys Hope

(1883 - 1970)

Born	18831214, Brisbane Queensland Australia
Died	19700106, Paddington New South Wales Australia
Occupation	Academic, Teacher, Women's rights activist

## Summary

Gladys Hope Marks was a lifelong supporter of women’s rights. She was active in a range of feminist groups, including the National Council of Women of New South Wales. A gifted linguist, she taught French at the University of Sydney in the 1920s and 30s.

The New South Wales branch of the Australian Federation of University Women established the Gladys Marks memorial fund to assist mature women to complete courses at the university.

## Events

### **1916 - 1916**

Appointed Acting Lecturer in French, University of Sydney

### **1934 - 1934**

Appointed officier d'Académie by the French government; awarded les Palmes Académiques.

### **1922 - 1922**

Appointed to a permanent position as Lecturer in French

### **1924 - 1924**

Attended the International Women's Congress in Copenhagen.

### **1914 - 1914**

Attended the International Women's Congress in Rome

### **1934 - 1934**

Became an honorary life vice-president of the National Council of Women of New South Wales

### **1905 - 1905**

Enrolled in Arts at the University of Sydney, despite opposition from her father

### **1908 - 1908**

Graduated with a Bachelor of Arts and prizes for English, French and German.

### **1921 - 1926**

International Secretary, National Council of Women of New South Wales

### **1930 - 1934**

President, Australian Federation of University Women

### **1943 - 1943**

Retired

### **1936 - 1936**

Served as acting head of department

### **1929 - 1929**

Served as acting head of department – the first female acting-professor at the University of Sydney.

### **1914 - 1914**

Studied phonetics part-time at the Sorbonne, Paris.

### **1908 - 1913**

Taught in private schools for girls before travelling extensively in Europe.

### **1919 - 1921**

Vice-President, Sydney University Women's Union

## Published resources

### **Resource Section**

Marks, Gladys Hope (1883-1971), Maxwell, Margaret, 2006,  
<http://www.adb.online.anu.edu.au/biogs/A110401b.htm>

### **Resource**

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

## Archival resources

### **University of Sydney, Archives**

[Personal archives of MARKS Gladys Hope \[1883-1970\]](#)

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