Mary Frances Flournoy, professor of curriculum and instruction, died on August 12, 2004. She was 83.

Professor Flournoy received her B.A. in elementary education from Northwestern State College of Louisiana in 1942. She received her M.A. from George Peabody College for Teachers in 1946 and her Ph.D. from the State University of Iowa in 1953. After her undergraduate and during her graduate years, she taught at two elementary schools in Louisiana and one in Iowa. Upon receiving her Ph.D., she taught as an assistant professor for two years at the University of Arizona.

Dr. Flournoy came to The University of Texas at Austin in 1955 as an assistant professor. While at UT, her research focused on in elementary mathematics, specifically on improving problem solving performance. She co-authored a mathematics textbook that included extensive accompanying materials for grades three through eight. In addition to her research, Dr. Flournoy served as a faculty sponsor to student groups, served on her departmental graduate studies committee, and was a charter member of Phi Kappa Phi.

Dr. Flournoy retired from UT in 1986. She lived her final years in Haynesville, Louisiana.

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