LET US CONTINUE THE LEGACY OF A REMARKABLE TEACHER, MENTOR AND FRIEND

Few people are more dedicated to supporting students than Dr Hugh O'Neill AO. In addition to being a world-class scholar in his own right, Hugh has dedicated his life to nurturing the next generation of architects, designers and artists. Since joining the University of Melbourne in 1961, he has been a teacher, mentor and friend to countless students and graduates, and is held in high esteem by all whose lives he has touched.

Through the Hugh O'Neill Fund, a deserving architecture student will be able to benefit from study at Melbourne. This would be a fitting testament to Hugh's enthusiasm, talent and commitment. With your support, we can ensure that Hugh's remarkable legacy continues to inspire for many years to come.

Life-long passion for architecture inspired by Hugh O'Neill

"Little did I realise that when we had Hugh O'Neill as our Design master in our first year of architecture in 1962 that he would so profoundly alter my life. By the time I graduated in 1969, I had become fascinated with the architecture of India and South-East Asia, thanks to the course on Asian architecture that Hugh offered in our second year. This course introduced me to the wonders of Hindu and Buddhist buildings. More than 50 years later, I am still engaged in researching historical sites in India, and lecturing and publishing on Indian and Islamic architecture."

"None of this could have happened without the generous encouragement of that most charismatic of teachers, Hugh O'Neill.”

George Michell - Architecture alumnus

Leaving a lasting impression

"As first year Design master, Hugh opened our minds to ways of seeing and responding to the worlds of colour, light, shape, texture, movement, sound, balance and space. His inspirational teaching, guidance and encouragement has left an indelible mark on a generation of students of architecture and allied fields. Along with many of my peers, I cherish the memory of those studio days in the Nissen huts and thank Hugh for his edifying enlightenment."

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