BUILDING FUTURES

SUPPORTING STUDENTS INTO ARCHITECTURE WITH THE STEPHEN LAWRENCE CHARITABLE TRUST
Newcastle University and the Stephen Lawrence Charitable Trust

2018 was the 25th anniversary of the murder of Stephen Lawrence (pictured opposite) in a racist attack, at the age of 18. Much has changed in this time, but too many young people still struggle to succeed because they are disadvantaged by factors beyond their control. Factors such as where they are born, the school they attend, or discrimination they may face.

Doreen Lawrence OBE founded the Trust on the principle that every young person should have both the opportunity and support to flourish in a society that treats them with fairness and respect. Stephen was passionate about architecture. His early sketches, ideas and photographs in the foyer of the Trust’s co-working and event space in London are testament to this.

At Newcastle University we pride ourselves on supporting social justice. The School of Architecture, Landscape and Planning are passionate about making this initiative a success, in conjunction with the Trust. Newcastle is one of ten UK Universities to rise to the challenge set by Doreen, Sonia and the inspirational team at the Trust. Each University’s School of Architecture will offer two ‘Stephen Lawrence’ scholarships with fees waived on a Part 1 BA (Hons) Architecture course, enrolling in the next academic year and continuing for three years.
We recognise the scale of the challenge in changing the profile of the profession and we hope that we can count on the support of our generous alumni to help us to fund the scholarship.
How your support will make a difference

In supporting this appeal you will be giving a talented student the chance of studying BA (Hons) Architecture at Newcastle and empowering them to make the most of that opportunity to its fullest. Financial support whilst at university can make a huge difference. These are the words of Jacob, a current BA (Hons) Architecture student at Newcastle University:

I chose to study at Newcastle because of its esteemed reputation as a University, the amazing location and the quality and variety of the Architecture course.

Going to University was a larger risk for me than it seems to be for many people and I empathise with those for whom the risk is too much of a deterrent to study Architecture. The Financial support I received helps mitigate that risk and has opened up opportunity for me.

I was hesitant to explore in physical 3D models, due to the financial repercussions if it fails – and so the financial support I have received has allowed me to be more experimental in my early stages of my design work and to test mediums I am unfamiliar with.

With an international field trip next year, the support I received also allows me to take more ‘risks’ and learn through visits as opposed to online research – and I am looking forward to visiting more places which are outside my current sphere of knowledge. Something that would not have been possible without the generous support I received from Newcastle University donors.

By donating to this appeal today you will be supporting more passionate students like Jacob who dream of one day being able to inspire the next generation of architects.
Why your support matters

This appeal aims to help students overcome the financial hurdle that can stop them pursuing their goal of becoming architects.

In supporting this appeal you will help establish financial assistance for two BAME students to study BA (Hons) Architecture. You will be giving talented individuals a life-changing experience and the chance to follow their dreams.

We strongly believe that ability, not circumstance, should dictate a student's prospects in life. Newcastle University and the School of Architecture, Landscape and Planning is looking to you, as one of our alumni, to help the next generation of architects at Newcastle University realise their ambitions.
From Newcastle. For the future

www.ncl.ac.uk/alumni/stephen-lawrence