

## Professor Greg Horsley

Greg Horsley was appointed as Professor of Classics and Ancient History at UNE in March 1995 and remained at the institution for a period of more than 23 years, until his retirement in 2018. During this period, Professor Horsley distinguished himself through excellent research and a sustained commitment to teaching and research student supervision of the highest quality; a quality that is recognised today by the conferral of an Emeritus Professorship.

In 1974, Greg completed a BA with First Class Honours at the University of Sydney, and in 1985 a PhD at Macquarie University on '*The Linguistic and Historical Context of the Greek of the New Testament. The Evidence of Contemporary Documents.*' Between 1975 and 1986 he variously served as tutor, research assistant, visiting lecturer, and research fellow at Macquarie University, The University of Sydney, and The University of Auckland. From 1987-1988 he was the chief investigator of an ARGS Research Project to replace the J.H. Moulton & G. Milligan Vocabulary of the Greek Testament. From 1988-1995 he was Lecturer and then Senior Lecturer in Hellenistic and Ancient Greek at La Trobe University.

Professor Horsley is the author of more than 60 articles and 11 books, including *The Burdur Inscriptions; New Documents Illustrating Early Christianity*; and (with I. Johnston) *Galen, Method of Medicine* in three volumes for the Loeb Classical Library of Harvard University Press. This research has fed into the supervision of a string of postgraduate theses that stand as a major legacy of Professor Horsley's time here.

Professor Horsley's teaching and research have occurred alongside an unstinting commitment to service. He was a highly active and energetic Chair of the committee of UNE's Museum of Antiquities (UNEMA) from 1996-2008 and has undertaken ceaseless and highly successful fundraising to support UNE and its students; to date, these efforts have raised more than \$3 million in support of Classics, the Dixson Library, and the University Museum of Antiquities. His passion for and commitment to Classics has seen Professor Horsley play a major role in the establishment of several high-profile and now long-running annual lecture series at the UNE, including the UNEMA Maurice Kelly Lecture.

Professor Horsley's passion, standing and achievements have been externally manifested and recognised in a variety of significant ways. He was Joint-Vice President (1993-1997), and then President from 2002-2006 of the Australasian Society for Classical Studies, the peak discipline body in Australasia. In 1996, he was elected a life member of The Australian Institute of Archaeology, and in the following year was elected a Fellow of the Australian Academy of the Humanities. In 2003 he was awarded the Commonwealth of Australia Centenary Medal '*for service to Australian Society and the Humanities in the Study of Classical Studies.*' He has had further recognition thorough a range of visiting fellowships and lectureships at universities and research centres in places as diverse as Lund, Washington, Cyprus, and the Australian National University.

Beyond his academic achievements, Professor Horsley is a collegial and caring individual with an invaluable gift for building community. Wherever he goes one is able to find groups of often very diverse people brought together, to share, to learn, and to grow in their understanding of themselves and the world they inhabit.

The award of an Emeritus Professorship to Professor Horsley recognises his sustained track record of excellence in research, teaching and service to UNE, and his lifetime contribution to the study of Classics and Ancient History in Australia and globally.