The title of Honorary Fellow of the University was conferred upon Anthony Owen Oxley at a conferring of degrees ceremony held in 1988.

Mr Oxley was Chairman of the Bushell Foundation (formerly Trust), established by Philip and Laura Bushell in 1948 to promote the academic purposes of the University and its teaching hospitals. Mr Oxley had been actively involved in the activities of the Trust since it was first established, and was now the only surviving member of the original Trustees.

This award honoured Mr Oxley, the Foundation, and the memory of Philip and Laura Bushell and their daughter Amber.