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Lecturer

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Education

MArch, University of Houston
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Background

Fernando L. Brave graduated from the University of Houston with a Master of Architecture in 1988. Before moving to Houston in 1987, he completed a six-year undergraduate architecture program at the Universidad de Belgrano in Buenos Aires, Argentina where he then briefly taught design studio and architectural history. His professional experience includes the completion of projects for individuals, private companies and public institutions. He has also been a key player in large master planning and development projects both in the United States and abroad. Mr. Brave is the founder of BRAVE / ARCHITECTURE, a full service, award winning architecture and design firm in Houston.

Fernando, a registered architect and LEED® Accredited Professional, has lectured on Green Architecture and other topics and has written for a few publications. His work has been featured in Architectural Record, Texas Architect, The Houston Chronicle, The Dallas Morning News, the Houston Architectural Guide, American School & University Magazine and numerous other publications. He was also the recipient of many awards including several private competitions, Honor Awards from the Houston AIA and the Texas Society of Architects and an ASID/Houston Chronicle Award among many others. He was a member of teams that earned a National AIA Award for Religious Architecture and two AGC APEX Awards.

His varied project experience ranges from art galleries to large institutional projects for clients such as the YMCA, the Houston Community College and the University of Houston. Other projects in his portfolio were performed pro-bono for non-profit institutions. Fernando has traveled extensively through Europe and the Americas. He has also been, and continues to be a part of numerous boards including those of The Rice Design Alliance, the Houston Chamber Orchestra, the Houston Archeological and Historical Commission and the Houston chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

Fernando taught design studio at the University of Houston between 2003 and 2009 and returned to teach in the Graduate Department in 2012. He continues to serve as a guest jury member at different schools of architecture. He also served as juror for the Design Awards of the New Mexico and Chicago chapters of the American Institute of Architects. His personal interests include traveling, cooking, contemporary art, sailing, snow skiing and other outdoor activities.

Fernando L. Brave, FAIA was elevated to the College of Fellows of the American Institute of Architects in 2012.

Courses Taught

ARCH 6603

Architecture Design Studio – 2nd Level, Graduate Program