Stimulating our Talented

The Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours) degree PhB

What do we want to achieve?

A love of science
Confidence to engage with difficult problems
Skill set to match
Experience in a range of investigative methods
Exemplary preparation for a research degree
Reputation as a prestigious UG research degree

What do we want for our students?

Mentoring
Stimulation of challenging science
Opportunities to broaden interests
Substantial research experiences
Development of communities of practice

The Numbers

• 159 students (since 2003)
• intake ~30 per year (UAI > 99% + ref.)
• 67% male, 33% female
• favour maths and physics (initially)
• 65% non-ACT region
• 83% retention
• 11% M; 6% F compulsory transfer
What do we think they want?

- Mentoring
- Stimulation of challenging science
- Opportunities to broaden interests (flexibility)
- Substantial research experiences
- Development of communities of practice

Issues

- Staff workload
- Equity
- Student stress
- Quality of research experiences

The research experience

Stay tuned