Transcript – Honours College

In 2008, Griffith University will be accepting students into The Griffith Honours College. A carefully planned, highly individualised program for gifted students that will allow them to develop to their full intellectual potential.

Title: What exactly is the Honours College?

Prof. John Dewar: It’s a program of student experiences for some selected undergraduate students, which will extend them intellectually and practically in a number of different ways.

Title: What’s different about it? Can you give some examples?

Prof. John Dewar: For example, they’ll be able to attend a special series of seminars that will open up conversations about some of the really big issues affecting the world and Australia and the world. It will give them an opportunity to identify ways in which they can address those sort of issues themselves in practical ways. They’ll also be given opportunities to work overseas or to study overseas. They’ll be given opportunities to work closely with our leading researchers, to do industry placement and above all to develop their leadership skills and their networking capabilities.

Title: What does the future hold for these students?

Prof. John Dewar: Well, these students have been selected because they are leaders amongst their peer group, they have achieved in outstanding ways on a number of different levels. We expect them to go on to continue to achieve once they have left the University. They are the leaders in their professions, in business and government and a whole range of different fields. These are the high flyers, the leaders of tomorrow.

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