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Siblings to share same degree and graduation ceremony

Some brothers and sisters have trouble sharing, but Robert and Elizabeth Malcomson are the kind of siblings who get along pretty well.

Tomorrow the Malcomsons will share the same graduation ceremony and even graduate with the same degree: Bachelor of Arts.

“People often think we’re twins,” Lizzy, 23, said. “It makes me feel a little bit old to be graduating with Bobby- but it is a bit cute.”

Lizzy majored in Psychology and hopes to study Medicine at UTAS next year.

“I am interested particularly in neurology, as I did a few units on that in psych. That is what really fascinates me,” she said.

“I hope to one day work in a big hospital and be a specialist. I want to focus on providing quality patient care.”

Bobby, 21, majored in both History and International Relations.

“Lizzy delayed her graduation so she could process with me and some of her friends. We’re pretty close. It’ll be nice to know the person sitting next to me!”

He plans to study Honours in History next year in second semester after taking a trip to South America with a friend.

“Machu Picchu is a fantastic site and it will be exciting to spend three days walking up there.”

Bobby loves history and plans to focus on religion in medieval England for his thesis. He is considering further study after that. “I loved uni, both the study and the social side of it.”

Media opportunity: Lizzy and Bobby will be available for interview in their graduation robes after their ceremony. Please meet outside the administration building (next to the big Uni Centre building with red front) at 12 noon on Monday 17 December 2012.

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