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31st October 2011, world population passed 7 billion people. It will go up to 8 billion, and they are talking 9 billion by 2050 – a lot of food to be produced.

Agricultural science will be called upon to make a real contribution in producing, developing the technology, developing the innovative ways to produce more.

In addition, we have the business and the marketing, that we have to understand if we are going to sell these products in a very competitive market.

Very exciting development here on the La Trobe campus is the development of the new ‘AgriBio’ Centre.

There’ll be opportunities for a lot of staff there to involve in our teaching and in our research training, and for students that want to go on and research, you’ll have probably the biggest, the smartest and the most up-to-date research facility in the country.

The thing about the Agricultural science graduate is that there are huge numbers of employment prospects, huge numbers of jobs, in the city, in the country. A range of opportunities and there is this demand. In fact, we worked out there’s more like 4 to 5 jobs for every graduate.