My path to a PhD in Statistics

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- Career norms: teacher, doctor, lawyer, etc.
- What a career in maths/stats would involve???
  - Communication barrier?
- Banking and finance would allow me to work with numbers
- Interested in studying psychology
- Double degree would keep my options open

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Some of the things that have helped me get where I am today

- A desire to make working with numbers a part of my career
- The satisfaction I get from solving maths problems
- My principle PhD supervisor Paul Kabaila and many of the other supportive staff at La Trobe University
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