

Online: Standardized Test Preparation Certificate



More options for standardized tests and test formats are available than ever before, but one thing remains the same — the importance of scores. Scores are critical and can have a huge impact on academic opportunities and professional success. This program is designed to give you a competitive edge and help optimize the results of your next formal test.

Learn techniques and strategies to prepare you for many different tests including IELTS, TOEIC, TOEFL and Duolingo.

How it works

We have taken the most critical parts of our longer training program to design six intensive courses and packaged them into a new online program.

- Gives you the flexibility to invest as much or as little time as you want, depending on your workload or other commitments.
- The knowledge and skills you will gain in these exciting courses will serve you well.
- Choose to take one course or complete all six and receive a discount.
- Complete all six courses and receive a certificate of completion from Thompson Rivers University.

All our online programs are offered live and in real time with one of our certified language instructors. You will have designated class time to meet with your instructor and classmates.

Study with TRU

For over 25 years, Thompson Rivers University (TRU) has been delivering customized training programs of the highest calibre, earning us worldwide recognition. Our intensive, short-term programs are strategically balanced to maximize learning opportunities while allowing participants enough time to gain an appreciation of Canadian culture and participate in carefully selected activities. The result is a rich and rewarding experience that will last a lifetime.



TRU Campus, located in the heart of Kamloops

Course descriptions

Each course consists of nine, two-hour sessions, for a total of 18 hours of instruction. Courses will be held on Tuesdays, Wednes-days and Thursdays from 4 - 6 p.m. Pacific Time.

JAN. 4 - 20, 2022: STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS: Successful candidates know that mental preparation is essential for peak performance. This course offers proven techniques for increasing motivation, maximizing study time, identifying learning styles and managing stress in healthy and effective ways.

FEB. 8 - 24, 2022: VOCABULARY DEVELOPMENT: Having a limited understanding of English vocabulary can hinder progress on virtually every part of a standardized test. This course will focus on elements of the Academic Word List (AWL) and equip learners with strategies for deciphering words quickly and efficiently.

MARCH 8 - 24, 2022: GRAMMAR BOOTCAMP: Regardless of your English level, improvements can always be made. You will develop skills for identifying errors in your own writing and speaking and then develop strategies for eliminating them. You will work hard but, you will reap the rewards.

APRIL 12 - 28, 2022: WRITING SKILLS: Understanding the structure of paragraphs and essays can make writing tasks much more painless. You will learn how to respond to questions, how to integrate techniques that will impress examiners and how to identify and reduce errors.

MAY 10 - 26, 2022: READING SKILLS: Reading skills are an important element of using English, yet they are often neglected. Greater speed and increased comprehension will virtually guarantee a higher test score, which is the goal of this course. A wide range of reading materials will be covered in these lessons.

JUNE 7 - 23, 2022: LISTENING AND SPEAKING SKILLS: Many language learners report that listening and speaking skills are more challenging than all other English skills combined. The good news is they can be the most fun to practice! In these sessions, you will participate in engaging activities designed to increase fluency and accuracy. You will soon enjoy increased confidence!

*Customized offerings and alternative time zones available upon request.

What you will gain

Certificate in Standardized Test Preparation upon completion

Increased competency in English

Knowledge of test-taking strategies

More effective study and time management strategies

Increased confidence In English communication abilities

What you will need

Computer or laptop. Cell phones and tablets are not recommended

Reliable internet connection

Positive attitude and willingness to learn

CEFR level B1 or higher, IELTS 4.5 or higher and TOEFL 42 or higher or Duolingo 60

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