



**ESTABLISHED 1970** 

For 50 years, Thompson
Rivers University has
taken pride in providing an
excellent education to every
learner that comes to us from
a wide variety of backgrounds
and perspectives, at various
stages of the learning
journey. TRU is a leader
in international training,
development and education
with a diverse history of
global engagement reaching
all corners of the world.

#### **OUR MISSION**

TRU is a comprehensive, learner-centred, environmentally responsible institution that serves its regional, national, and international learners and their communities through high quality and flexible education, training, research and scholarship.



Thompson Rivers University is proud of our place as a leader in international education. For more than 40 years, we have made international outreach a priority.

Today students from more than 100 countries are enrolled at our main campus, pursuing a dream of an education, and helping to shape a better world through shared intercultural experiences and understanding. Abroad, TRU partners with high schools, colleges and universities in 13 countries. Whether we offer a Canadian credential jointly with another institution, or provide a pathway for future study at TRU, our goal is to see each student succeed. Having been an international student, I appreciate the challenges and rewards of gaining a global experience.

At TRU we embrace and explore the world. Our faculty conduct research in other countries and our students study abroad.

We are a university that welcomes the world, and we welcome you to find out more about us.

#### **Brett Fairbairn**

President and Vice-Chancellor



#### KFY FACTS

Public university

Established in 1970

Main campus in Kamloops, British Columbia

**28,000** + students enrolled in on-campus and online programs

**700** + students enrolled in TRU programs delivered at partner institutions overseas

**3,500** + international students from over **100** countries each year

**2,000** + Employees: faculty, support staff and administration

**140** Programs on campus and **60** programs online

#### **TRU Accreditations & Memberships**

Province of British Columbia, Canada

Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities - USA

Languages Canada

BC Education Quality Assurance Designation

Universities Canada member

Council of International Schools

Research Universities' Council of BC member

Colleges and Institutes Canada (CICan) member

## **ACADEMICS**

## Adventure, Culinary Arts & Tourism

Arts, Humanities & Social Science Business, Economics & Management

Education

#### **Health Sciences**

Bachelor of Tourism Management

Post-Baccalaureate Diplomas: Adventure Studies, Innovation and Entrepreneurship in Tourism, Managing Festivals and Events, Resort Experience Management, Tourism Destination Development, Tourism Experience Management

Post-Baccalaureate Certificate: Tourism

Adventure Guide Certificate

Adventure Guide Diploma

Events & Conventions Management Diploma

Resort & Hotel Management Diploma

Sport Event Management Diploma

Tourism Management Diploma

Professional Cook Level 1 & 2 Culinary Arts Certificate

Culinary Arts Apprenticeship – Professional Cook 3 (Red Seal)

Retail Meat Processing Foundation Certificate

Meatcutter Apprenticeship Level 1 & 2 Bachelor of Arts

Bachelor of Fine Arts (Visual Arts)

Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies

Bachelor of Journalism

Associate of Arts Degree

Associate of Arts Modern Languages Degree

Visual Arts Diploma

Aboriginal Studies Certificate

Cultural and Social Explorations Certificate

Literary and Art History Certificate

Modern Languages Certificate

Painting and Drawing Certificate

Visual Arts Studio Certificate

World Languages and Cultures Certificate Master of Business Administration

Master in Environmental Economics & Management

Master of Science in Environmental Economics & Management

Bachelor of Business Administration

Dual Degrees available in Computing & Business and Arts & Business

Post-Baccalaureate Diplomas: Accounting, Business Administration, Economics, Entrepreneurship, Finance, Human Resource Management, International Business, Marketing, Supply Chain Management

Associate of Commerce and Business Administration Diploma

Accounting Technician Diploma

Executive Assistant Diploma

Management Diploma

Administrative Assistant Certificate

First Nation Applied Economics Certificate

First Nation Taxation
Administration Certificate

Master of Education

Graduate Certificate in Educational Studies

Bachelor of Education - Elementary

Bachelor of Education -Secondary STEM

Post-Diploma Certificates: Infant and Toddler Educator, Special Needs Educator

DSTC First Nations Language Teacher Program

Early Childhood Education Diploma

Teaching English as a Second Language Certificate Master of Nursing

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Bachelor of Health Science

Health Care Assistant Certificate

Practical Nursing Diploma

Respiratory Therapy Diploma







## Law & Justice

## Science & Technology

# Social Work & **Human Services**

## **Trades**

# **University & Employment Prep**

Law-Juris Doctor

Police & Justice Studies Diploma

Master of Science in Environmental Science

Master of Science in Data Science

Bachelor of Science

**Bachelor of Computing Science** 

Bachelor of Engineering in Software Engineering

Bachelor of Natural Resource Science

Associate of Science Degree

Applied Sustainable Ranching

Animal Health Technology Diploma

Animal Welfare Certificate

Architectural & Engineering Technology Diploma

Computing Science Diploma

**Engineering Transfer** 

Forestry Transfer

First Nations Applied Land Management Certificate

**Environment Studies Certificate** 

Bachelor of Social Work

Human Service Diploma

Education Assistant and Community Support Certificate **Bachelor of Technology** 

Horticulture Certificate

Horticulture Management Diploma

Instrumentation Engineering Technology Diploma

Power Engineering Technology Certificate

Water & Wastewater Technology Diploma

Water & Wastewater **Utilities Certificate** 

Apprenticeships and/or Foundations Certificates in:

Automotive Service Technician

Circular Saw Filer

Diesel Engine Mechanic

Electrician - Industrial or Construction

Gasfitter A & B

Heavy Duty Equipment Technician

Heavy Mechanical (Diesel Engine, Heavy Duty Equipment, Transport Trailer Technician, Truck and Transport Mechanic)

Industrial Mechanic (Millwright/Machinist)

Instrumentation and Control Technician

Piping (Plumber, Steamfitter/ Pipefitter, Sprinklerfitter)

Plumber

Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Mechanic

**Residential Construction** (Carpenter Level 1 & 2)

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## **Education and Skills Training Certificate**

English as a Second Language— Academic Preparation Program University Preparation

## Online & Distance Learning

TRU Open Learning delivers hundreds of distance and online courses, including those leading to over 60 certificates, diplomas, and degrees. Most courses offer continuous registrations and flexible scheduling options, removing traditional barriers to increase access to quality post-secondary education.

From traditional academics to trades, from certificates to graduate degrees, TRU offers over 200 programs to choose from and provides our students opportunities to apply what they learn in co-op work terms, study abroad, undergraduate research, field schools and practicums—with guidance and mentorship by our dedicated faculty.







Thompson Rivers University has a long history of being open and accessible to students from around the world and of sharing the expertise of the university with the international community. International activities at Thompson Rivers University are led by TRU World, the university's international training, education, and development division. The department acts as a coordinating and facilitating centre for all international activity at TRU, and provides external partners with complete liaison, program development, and project management services.

## **Scope of International Activity**

- Accreditation, articulation and joint delivery of academic programs
- Customized training, consulting, and development projects
- Student exchange and field school programs
- Programs for international students at the TRU campus



Thompson Rivers University has been nationally and internationally recognized as a Canadian leader in international education. The TRU campus is home to a range of internationalization initiatives. Our programs incorporate global perspectives in the curriculum. Students and faculty have access to an extensive range of opportunities for international engagement on and off campus. Faculty and staff are regular presenters at international education conferences and workshops, and the university's international division has created extensive student and faculty resources.











## STUDY ABROAD

The TRU Study Abroad Centre promotes student and faculty mobility by supporting student exchange, international field schools, and work abroad opportunities. The Study Abroad Centre provides student advising, pre-departure support, incoming student support and risk management services for incoming and outgoing study abroad participants, field school participants and faculty leaders, and work abroad participants. Students have the option of studying abroad in more than 200 institutions in over 40 countries around the globe or participating in one of the many international field schools offered each year.









## THE CAMPUS

The main TRU campus is located in Kamloops, British Columbia. Set on a 250-hectare site near the city centre, our modern campus offers a complete range of academic, recreational, and athletic facilities. The university also operates a second campus in Williams Lake and regional learning centres in a number of towns throughout southcentral British Columbia.

Over the next 30 years, the university campus will become home to thousands of new residents and offer retail services, parks, professional services and more for the community through the development of an exciting new university village called The Reach.

# KAMLOOPS, BRITISH COLUMBIA

With a population of almost 100,000 people, Kamloops, British Columbia, is a modern, safe and comfortable city with many of the amenities and attractions of a large, bustling centre. TRU is located in the heart of this welcoming city and beyond our campus you'll find beautiful beaches and parks that line the junction of two rivers next to a vibrant downtown. With a wide range of outdoor, city, cultural and campus activities and just a 3.5 hour drive or 45 minute flight from Vancouver, learners love all that our city has to offer.





# STARS Platinum rating for Sustainability







## TRANSNATIONAL FDUCATION PROGRAMS

Transnational education programs allow students in partner-institutions to partially or fully complete TRU program requirements at their home institutions. TRU currently has 40 active partner-institutions in countries around the world, including China, Colombia, El Salvador, Iceland, India, Norway, Mexico, Scotland, Spain, Turkey, UK, USA, and Vietnam.

## **Accreditation Programs**

These programs are based on an accreditation model where TRU works with partner institutions to deliver TRU programs in the partner's home country. Students can complete the whole program at partner institutions with an option to transfer to TRU to complete their studies. Students can earn a degree or diploma from TRU, in addition to a credential from their home institution, upon successful completion of their studies. Thousands of students have studied in TRU programs delivered at partner institutions overseas. Current programming areas include Business, Computing Science, and Tourism.

## **Articulation Programs**

These programs allow students from partner institutions to seamlessly transfer the credits earned at their home institutions for further studies at TRU. Current program models include 2+2, 1+3 for a bachelor degree program and programming areas include Arts, Business, Science, Computing Science, Tourism, and Technology Management.

#### **Visiting Student Programs**

These programs provide students from partner institutions a study abroad opportunity in Canada. All courses may be eligible for university credit at the student's home institution, based on an agreement between TRU and a partner institution. This program is open to students enrolled in any program and the duration can be one or two semesters based on the needs of students. Current program models include general programs and customized programs based on the requirements of a partner-institution.

#### **Pathway Programs**

These programs provide a pathway from overseas high schools to a Canadian university. Qualified students may also be able to complete selected TRU open learning courses during their high school studies. Current program models include a general pathway towards any programs at TRU and a special pathway towards a specific program at TRU based on an agreement between TRU and a partner-institution.











## INTERNATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE

For three decades, Thompson Rivers University has been delivering customized training programs of the highest calibre to over 1,000 participants each year. 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 creating memories that will last a lifetime.

We offer both open enrollment programs and customized programs, all designed to meet the goals of program participants. Our open enrollment programs offer the most popular features perfected over decades of running summer and winter camp programs, resulting in a highly motivating and fun learning environment. We also work closely with international partners, including governments, educational institutions and businesses, to develop programs tailored to the needs of the client. We can deliver our programs on our campus or overseas at a location suiting the needs of our program participants.

## **ITC Program Features**

- Student-centred instruction
- · Customized, content-based curriculum
- Exciting cultural and recreational activities
- Experienced TESL certified instructors
- Integrated skills
- Communicative learning
- · Flexible options for assessment
- A safe, supportive learning environment
- An intercultural campus
- Small class sizes
- Exit surveys to monitor and ensure quality

## **Open Programs**

Meeting the needs of hundreds of enthusiastic learners from around the world each year, our Open Programs form the cornerstone of all the programming offered by TRU World's International Training Centre and are open to individuals as well as large and small groups. We have developed a comprehensive range of programs to help our students achieve their individual goals. A full array of carefully selected cultural and recreational activities are woven into each program, and ample time is reserved for level-appropriate English language classroom instruction. The result is a highly motivating and dynamic program that will leave learners with increased cultural knowledge, greater language proficiency, and a more informed world view.







## **Customized Group Programming**

The International Training Centre at TRU offers customized programs for groups large and small. In addition to our Open Programs, we have a long history of providing customized English language training, including study tours, ESL + academic programs, and professional development programs. These programs feature a combination of specific English language studies along with components of specialized training in the areas of business, tourism, health, social work, psychology, child care, and more.

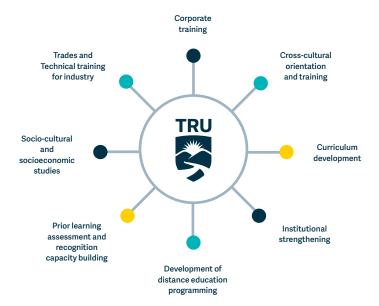
We have worked with educational institutions, governments, corporations, non-profits and agents to build tailored programs and we have a proven track record of meeting the unique requirements of our clients. We are able to utilize and adapt our academic program strengths to develop programming in almost any field, including components such as English Language training, Intercultural Communication, cultural experiences, and recreational activities as desired.



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## CONSULTING SERVICES AND TRAINING

Building on the expertise of our university community, Thompson Rivers University is a leader in the global exchange of knowledge and has undertaken training and consulting contracts in a wide range of subject areas. Our services have been delivered to diverse clients including governments, corporations, NGOs and non-profit organizations, and have included:



These projects are delivered both in Canada and abroad, and have been funded by client-partners, government, international development banks, and NGOs. For example, with the assistance of CIDA funding, TRU developed an Indigenous Tourism Development Program that provided indigenous trainees from Chile with customized training and knowledge of Canadian aboriginal tourism initiatives. This program was delivered both in Canada and in Chile with the cooperation of local indigenous groups.

In Jamaica, training programs that addressed specific technical and supervisory training needs were developed for Kaiser Aluminum, ALPART, Alcan, and Jamaica's human capital development agency HEART. TRU conducted extensive skills assessments and then designed customized skills upgrading programs for both tradespeople and supervisors. TRU also led the development of a related apprenticeship program. In China, the university has been a leader for teacher training, working with a number of state education bureaus to provide thousands of Chinese educators with training in advanced teaching methodologies.























Thompson Rivers University has an extensive record of reaching out to the world's communities — providing training, creating educational pathways, and delivering programs across the globe. These initiatives have contributed to our university's vibrant international profile and reputation while helping our partners to achieve their goals.

We are a young institution with a rich history. We began as a community college in 1970 and have evolved into what we are today — a student-centred, globally-minded, premiere university offering programs ranging from ESL to graduate degrees. Students from more than 100 countries come to TRU annually to take advantage of our comprehensive range of programs, our unique combinations of flexible learning options, and our balance of theoretical and applied studies. Internationalization has enabled our students to develop lifelong skills and connections as they prepare for life and work as citizens of our global village.

We invite you to explore the opportunities to work with us: accreditation programs, customized training, research partnerships, group programming, articulation and transfer agreements, and so much more. Our team of international education specialists is at your service and we welcome you to become a part of our global community.

#### **Baihua Chadwick**

Associate Vice-President, International CEO, TRU World Global Operations

