Short-Term Programs for International Students | 2025

KAMLOOPS, BC, CANADA







Live it. Learn it. Speak it!



WHO ARE THESE PROGRAMS FOR?

Thompson Rivers University offers many short-term, non-credit programs throughout the year for international students. Experience uniquely Canadian activities with a diverse group of students from around the world.

Meet students from around the world

Join fellow international students and experience beautiful British Columbia and life at TRU. Embark on a true adventure with new friends while learning about intercultural communication, global citizenship, STEM, sustainability, leadership and more.

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Kamloops is a modern, comfortable and safe city in the Interior of BC. The vibrant city of about 100,000 people is set in a spectacular semi-arid desert and gets over 2,000 hours of sunshine every year. With 13 golf courses, over 200 lakes within a one-hour drive, the world-famous Sun Peaks Resort 45 minutes away and Vancouver a three-hour drive away, you will be sure to find new and exciting adventures here!

Choose your own adventure in BC

British Columbia is Canada's third largest province and covers a vast landscape. From the beautiful ocean views of the Lower Mainland, to the mountainous regions of eastern BC, to the semi-arid desert of the Thompson-Okanagan, you will enjoy this beautiful province.

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SHORT-TERM SUMMER PROGRAMMING

*Language assessment to take place at start of program

Language and Culture^{*}

- Intercultural communication
- Language training
- Canadian culture and activity preparation
- Choose one specialized elective:
 - · Applied English
 - · Global Citizenship
 - · Healthy Choices
 - · Leadership
 - · STEM Skills
 - · Sustainability
 - · English for Professional Success

Global Citizenship

- Intercultural communication
- Sustainability
- Global citizenship
- Presentation skills
- Canadian culture and activity preparation

Language and Culture Soccer Camp

- Strength and endurance training
- Soccer skills training from industry professionals
- · Health and nutrition training
- Intercultural communication
- Language training

Online Language and Culture^{*}

- Intercultural communication
- Language training
- Canadian culture
- Virtual cultural activities
- One-to-one sessions
- Conversation café

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

Exciting adventures our students have taken with us:

- Curling
- Gold panning
- Hiking
- Ice skating
- Making Indigenous artwork
- Indoor rock climbing
- Kayaking
- Orchard visits
- Skiing/snowboarding
- Sleigh rides
- Tubing
- Waterfalls and nature visits





SAMPLE SCHEDULES

Activities vary depending on the time of year.

TRU is closed during Canadian statutory holidays so no classes or activities will occur on these days.

LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

A sample of a four-week Language and Culture program. The three-week programs have a similar schedule.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Welcome Reception 9 - 10 a.m. Program Orientation 10 - 11:30 a.m. Elective Selection 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Campus Tour 1:30 - 3 p.m.	Intercultural Communications Workshop 9 a.m. – noon Downtown City Tour 1 – 4 p.m.	Intercultural Communications Workshop 9 a.m. – noon Kamloops Overview 1 – 4 p.m.	Language Studies 9 a.m. – noon Elective 1 – 4 p.m.	Language Studies 9 a.m. – noon Language Studies 1 – 4 p.m.
Full day Cultural Activity 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Elective 9 a.m. – noon Language Studies 1 – 4 p.m.	Language Studies 9 a.m. – noon Language Studies 1 – 4 p.m.	Elective 9 a.m. – noon Language Studies 1 – 4 p.m. Cultural Activity 6 – 9:30 p.m.	Language Studies 9 a.m. – noon Language Studies 1 – 4 p.m.
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Cultural Activity 1 – 4 p.m.	Language Studies 1 – 4 p.m.	Cultural Activity 1 – 4 p.m.	Language Studies 1 – 4 p.m.	Afternoon Free
Language Studies 9 a.m. – noon Cultural Activity 1 – 4 p.m.	Elective 9 a.m. – noon Language Studies 1 – 4 p.m.	Full day Cultural Activity 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Language Studies 9 a.m. – noon Language Studies 1 – 4 p.m.	Language Studies 9 a.m. – noon Closing Ceremony 1 – 3 p.m.

GLOBAL CITIZEN

A sample of a three-week Global Citizen program.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Opening Ceremony 9 – 9:30 a.m. Program Orientation 9:30 – 11 a.m. Campus Tour 11 a.m. – noon Downtown City Tour 1 – 4 p.m.	Intercultural Communications 9 a.m. – noon Cultural Activity 1 – 4 p.m.	Global Citizenship 9 a.m. – noon Presentation Skills 1 – 4 p.m.	Intercultural Communications 9 a.m. – noon Cultural Activity 1 – 4 p.m.	Global Citizenship 9 a.m. – noon Intercultural Communications 1 – 4 p.m.
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PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Our open programs offer an exciting opportunity to explore BC, meet people from around the world and work on your language skills. No matter your language level or area of interest, there is something for you at TRU.

Winter Language and Culture

January 7 – 31, 2025 | \$4,275 February 18 – March 7, 2025 | \$3,795

This program has all the components of our summer open programs, but with a winter spin. Visit Kamloops in the winter and embrace a true Canadian experience. Join in winter activities like skiing, curling, snowshoeing, and even a sleigh ride! In between spending your time outdoors, you will participate in language classes and study different cultural theories and strategies for communicating.

Online Language and Culture February 18 – March 8, 2025 | \$1,395

August 6 – 22, 2025 | \$1,395

A great option for students interested in meeting new people and improving their intercultural communication skills but cannot travel. The Online Language and Culture program allows you to immerse yourself virtually in elements of Canadian culture, explore aspects of intercultural communication, participate in an elective and experience an individualized learning experience through one-to-one sessions with your instructor.

Language and Culture Soccer Camp

June 23 – July 10, 2025 | \$3,835

Take your soccer skills to the next level and meet other players from around the world. Participate in soccer skills training, language studies, strength training and cultural activities. Learn from TRU's varsity soccer team, the WolfPack, and improve your knowledge of health and nutrition from industry experts. You will have a chance to showcase skills at the end of the program.

NEW



Language and Culture programs July 2–25, 2025 | \$4,275

August 6 - 22, 2025 | \$3,795

Improve your English skills and experience in Canada with our Language and Culture programs. Begin with an orientation and choose an elective, then join Intercultural Communication classes to learn cultural theories and strategies for communicating with people from other cultures. Based on your language level, you'll study English and your elective or engage in exciting cultural activities with students from around the world.

ADDITIONAL PROGRAM FEE

Starting in 2025, all TRU short-term programs will have the following additional fee:

Custodianship fee: \$100/student (if required)

Global Citizenship

August 6 - 22, 2025 | \$3,795

In our ever-changing world, it's important to have a good understanding of how to participate in change and promote cultural understanding. Regardless of your career path, the knowledge and skills you will gain in these interesting courses will serve you well for the rest of your life.

Three week Enhanced Language and Culture Transition program August 6–22, 2025 | \$3,295

We have added additional sessions to our three-week Language and Culture program to meet the needs of international students starting academic programs in September. Topics includes:

- Enhanced Language Studies
- Enhanced Study Skills

Reduced rates are offered to students enrolled in a Fall semester TRU academic program.

CUSTOMIZED PROGRAM OPTIONS

We create customized programming to meet your needs. Some examples of previous programs include:

- English and Golf
- English and Skiing
- English and the Environment
- Business English and Canadian Culture
- Language and Music
- Language and Culinary Arts
- Customized teacher training

Contact **globaltraining@tru.ca** for more details on these programs or to request a customized program for your organization.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

- JANUARY PROGRAMS November 1, 2024
- FEBRUARY PROGRAMS **December 1, 2024**
- LANGUAGE AND CULTURE SOCCER CAMP April 30, 2025
- JULY PROGRAMS April 30, 2025
- AUGUST PROGRAMS May 30, 2025

NOTE: Participants are not counted until all portions of their application are complete, which includes homestay applications, custodianships (if required), and waivers.

HOMESTAY

Live with a Canadian family.

Managed by TRU World staff, TRU's Homestay Program is a great way to experience Canadian culture and practice English by living with local families or individuals. More than 450 carefully selected Canadian homestay providers are in this program. Students will enjoy a furnished bedroom, three meals a day plus snacks, and a chance to live as part of a Canadian family while sharing their own culture.

HOUSING

During the summer, housing options at one of our TRU Residence buildings may be available.

For more information about on-campus housing, visit $\ensuremath{\mbox{tru.ca/housing}}$

North Tower (on campus)

Enjoy one of the best views in the city at the 11-storey North Tower. Access premium amenities such as a cardio room, dance studio, patio with large BBQ, games room and regular social activities.



North Tower floor plans: 2- and 4-bedroom suites

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McGill Residence (on campus)

This community is ideal for students looking for an active and closeknit, communal experience. The newly renovated McGill Residence has amenities that include laundry, games room, kitchen and study room.

McGill Residence floor plan: 4-bedroom quad











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