

Student Awards & Financial Support Office

Study Abroad & Student Loans

Have you been accepted to Study Abroad in **2015-16** by TRU World? **AND**Will you be applying for a student loan?

IF YES TO BOTH ABOVE PLEASE READ ON......



For starters.....

Your study abroad dates <u>must</u> be reviewed by Student Awards & Financial Support prior to applying for student loans so that you are funded for the correct study period dates.

These dates will be confirmed with TRU World before your new student loan application or interest free documents are processed.

If you are applying for funding through StudentAid BC you must select Study Abroad as your program of study only for your Study Abroad semester(s). Submit a separate application using your regular program of study for your TRU campus semester(s).

Not applying for new funding but do not wish to make student loan payments?

Apply for interest free status at www.studentaidbc.ca. For other provinces, complete a paper Schedule 2 (Canada), and the appropriate provincial interest free document. You might need separate documents for each semester depending on the start/end dates of your studies. Student Awards & Financial Support staff can send the documents to the student loan service centre for you.

New student loan applications can be done online for all provinces!!!!!

- If you are a BC resident, apply at www.studentaidbc.ca using "Study Abroad" as your program.
- For other Canadian Provinces & Territories you can apply at the following link: http://www.tru.ca/awards/gov/outsidebc.html
- The year of program is the year of your regular program (e.g. 2 of 4).
- Apply as a TRU student but do not click on the regular TRU semester dates. Enter the actual start/end dates of your exchange institution. This will generate a notice that an Appendix 3 is required. Once the Appendix 3 is completed online by TRU Student Awards & Financial Support staff you may then continue with your loan application.



Aagghh....I should have contacted Student Awards & Financial Support!!

BEFORE YOU GO!!!

- Someone in Canada should have Power of Attorney for your financial affairs (including student loans) while you are out of the country. Usually, the person would be your parent or close relative
- Please go to the CanLearn website at http://www.canlearn.ca/eng/common/publications/forms.shtml and download the Power of Attorney form(s) that apply to you. The completed form can be faxed or mailed to the National Student Loans Service Centre (contact information listed below).
- If you choose to <u>not</u> appoint Power of Attorney, any documents requiring a signature will have to be mailed directly to you wherever you are studying.
- Please ensure your student loan application reflects your correct mailing address.
- Ensure that your previous student loans will not be going into repayment status before you receive your new funding. If there are interest or loan payments outstanding, the student loan centre will not process new loans until payments are up-to-date.

Last but not least!!!!

Students selected to participate in an exchange program remain enrolled at TRU while they study abroad and remain eligible for local scholarships, awards, and financial aid. Apply for TRU bursaries, awards or scholarships online at www.tru.ca/awards/awards. Remember to check deadlines as they will not be extended.



We can be contacted at:

TRU Student Awards & Financial Support

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National Student Loans Service Centre P.O. Box 4030 Mississauga, Ontario L5A 4M4 Phone: 1-888-815-4514 (North America) Fax: 1-888-815-4657 (North America)

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