



## 2017 Faculty Award for Excellence in Internationalization

Nomination Deadline: 4:00 pm, Friday, February 17, 2017

Thompson Rivers University is recognized nationally for leadership and innovation in international education; from international student services to the Global Competency credential. Many faculty members of the TRU community work toward enhancing international and intercultural learning opportunities for students.

**The award winner will receive an engraved plaque plus a monetary award to attend a conference or professional development activity of their choice.\***

\* Choice of activity must have prior approval of the Chair, Dean, and the Director of the Centre for Excellence in Learning and Teaching. Winners are expected to share this learning experience at the Teaching Practices Colloquium or other appropriate event.

Please return the completed nominations to:  
Centre for Excellence in Learning and Teaching, [learning@tru.ca](mailto:learning@tru.ca), by  
**4:00 pm, Friday, February 17, 2017.**

This award is designed to increase awareness of efforts to internationalize learning at TRU, as well as recognizing individuals who through their teaching, scholarly activity and service are assisting to operationalize the strategic visions included in the plan, namely:

- Increase the number of international learning opportunities for TRU students.
- Increase opportunities for TRU faculty to teach and conduct research internationally.
- Develop partnerships with international universities for joint research, scholarship and faculty exchange opportunities.
- Review curricula to identify courses and programs where it is appropriate to incorporate international perspectives and increase awareness of global issues.
- Create activities that will profile and celebrate internationalism throughout TRU.
- Expand TRU's academic activities internationally.
- Expand support and services available to international students.
- Expand training for faculty and staff in order to develop cultural awareness and sensitivity to the issues faced by students from international backgrounds.

### **Eligibility:**

Full-time, part-time and sessional faculty members are eligible to receive the award. Nominees must have been at TRU for five (5) continuous years.

Award recipients are not eligible for nomination in future years.

## Nomination Process and Criteria:

1. Nominations for this award must be signed by at least four nominators. At least two of the nominators must be current or previous students who have received instruction from the nominee. Nominations must include written documentation from each of the nominators outlining specific reasons for the nomination.
2. Nominations must include:
  - a. A statement prepared by the nominee (*500 words or less*) describing their contribution to internationalization.
  - b. A sample of course materials, outlines, assignments, research and other relevant materials supporting internationalization involvement. (*20 pages maximum*).
  - c. Written documentation from each of the nominators outlining specific reasons for the nomination.

Nominees should be recognized by students and colleagues as educators who promote the internationalization of the student experience either in or out of the classroom. Selection should consider an individual's engagement through his/her teaching, scholarly and/or service activity that:

- Increases student awareness of international cultures, perspectives and issues through course content, research or facilitation of student exchanges;
- Strives to include international and intercultural content in curriculum;
- Supports internationalization within the TRU community and encourages student involvement;
- Models an appreciation of diversity in cultures, perspectives and preferences;
- Creates innovative ways for students to gain international and intercultural knowledge on and off campus;
- Develops programs or courses that support internationalization; and
- Pursues professional development opportunities related to internationalization.

Completed nomination forms and all required documentation must be forwarded **electronically** to the Centre for Excellence in Learning and Teaching ([learning@tru.ca](mailto:learning@tru.ca)) by 4:00 pm, Friday, February 17, 2017. Nominations received after this time will not be considered. In keeping with TRU's commitment to environmental sustainability, paper applications will not be considered.

**2017 TRU Faculty Award for Excellence in Internationalization Nomination Form**

Name of the Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Department/Program: \_\_\_\_\_

**List of Nominators:**

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| 1. | _____     | _____  |
|    | Name      | Relationship to nominee (e.g., student, colleague) |
|    | _____     |  |
|    | Signature |  |
| 2. | _____     | _____  |
|    | Name      | Relationship to nominee (e.g., student, colleague) |
|    | _____     |  |
|    | Signature |  |
| 3. | _____     | _____  |
|    | Name:     | Relationship to nominee (e.g., student, colleague) |
|    | _____     |  |
|    | Signature |  |
| 4. | _____     | _____  |
|    | Name      | Relationship to nominee (e.g., student, colleague) |
|    | _____     |  |
|    | Signature |  |

**Attachments to be submitted by Nominators:**

Each nominator should attach a written statement describing how the instructor being nominated meets the criteria for this award. Please be as *detailed* and *specific* as possible in order that a thorough evaluation of the nominee may be made. Student nominators should list the course(s) they have taken from the nominee, and when.

Acknowledgement of the Nominee:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ accept this nomination for the 2017 Faculty Award for Excellence in Internationalization.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_