

Bachelor of Education (Secondary) in Trades and Technology (BETT)

2016 - 2017 Admission Information

Program Description

The Faculty of Education at TRU offers a Bachelor of Education (Secondary) in Trades and Technology (BETT). The BETT program is an applied degree designed to prepare graduates to teach in middle and secondary schools in technical and trades related areas.

The program will begin with an accelerated teacher education component that allows initial certification and full-time employment as a teacher (Developmental Standard Teaching Certificate) after completing 12 to 14 months of study and practicum experience.

For further program details please see:

<http://www.tru.ca/programs/catalogue/bachelor-of-education-in-trades-and-technology.html>.

Intake Date: July (Summer semester)

Application Deadline is February 14, 2016.

Space permitting, applications may also be accepted after this date.

Documents & Transcript Deadline is March 30, 2016.

Current post-secondary students – final official transcripts submitted by June 15, 2016

Admission Requirements

All applicants are eligible for admission if they have successfully completed:

1. A trade qualification (Journeyman, Red Seal certification) in an appropriate area with five years' experience in the field

In addition, the following requirements must be met:

- BC Grade 12 or equivalent
- 3 credits of English literature with a minimum grade point average of 2.33;
- 3 credits of English composition with a minimum grade point average of 2.33;
- BC Grade 12 Mathematics (or equivalent)
- Documentation of 100 hours of experience with school-aged students in a formal, volunteer or paid position (of which 25 hours is recommended to be in a classroom setting);
- A Letter of Intent and a Resume which includes education and related work experience (5 years minimum); and,
- Two confidential statements from referees qualified to attest to your suitability for teaching.

Preference may be given to applicants having:

- extensive technical experience
- C+ or better grades
- completed senior secondary or post-secondary mathematics, physics, chemistry and computer science
- computer literacy

Note: Admitted students will be required to provide a criminal record check which may limit practicum placements.

How to Apply

1. **Submit your application** online through the ApplyBC website or by using the paper application form found at www.tru.ca/admissions/apply

2. **Pay the application fee:**

\$27.57 for Canadian citizens or permanent residents

3. **Submit official high school transcripts and/or any post-secondary transcripts.**

All official high school and/or post-secondary transcripts can be mailed to:

**Admissions Office
Thompson Rivers University
900 McGill Road
Kamloops, BC V2C 0C8**

Next Steps:

1. You will be contacted within 2-3 weeks to confirm we have received your application.
2. Once admission's has reviewed your application and applicable supporting documents, they will notify you about the admission decision.
3. Qualified applicants may be interviewed by a team of instructors and teachers prior to being accepted. This conversation will be an opportunity for the candidates to demonstrate their trades-related knowledge and fitness for the profession.
4. Admitted students will be required to pay a commitment fee of \$500 to confirm your spot and enable you to register in courses.

Need Help? Contact Us

Email: admissions@tru.ca

Old Main Student Street

Phone: 250-828-5036

Fax: 250-371-5960

Mailing Address:

Admissions Office
Thompson Rivers University
900 McGill Road Kamloops, BC V2C 0C8

BETT Program Advisor

Lolina Koopmans

Education Program Advisor

Telephone: 250-377-6048

Email: edadvising@tru.ca

Additional information regarding various TRU support services, including Disability Services, Counselling, and Student Awards and Financial Support, Services for Aboriginal Students, as well as Housing can be found at www.tru.ca.

Program Application Admissions Checklist

Please check off and include all of the following:

- Application form**
- Application fee**
- Official transcripts** from all post-secondary institutions attended except for TRU.
- Trades Certification:** Notarized copy of Red Seal Trades Qualification
- Resume** which includes education and related work experience (5 years minimum)
- Letter of Intent:** In no more than 300 words outline the reasons you would like to become a teacher, why you have chosen the TRU BETT program as your preparation and any information you feel is pertinent to your application.
- Documentation of experience** working with children Middle School/Secondary School-aged children – minimum 100 hours, including a recommended 25 hours in a classroom setting.
- References:** observed suitability to teach



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Reference Report**

TO THE APPLICANT: Please complete this section before presenting the form to your referee. Referees should be selected with care. References from friends and relatives are not acceptable. Both referees must have directly observed your interactions with groups of school-aged children.

Name of Applicant: _____
(Last name, underlined, then given names.)

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

TO THE REFEREE:

This applicant is seeking admission to the Bachelor of Education (Trades and Technology) program at Thompson Rivers University in Kamloops, BC. Applicants to the program are required to have two letters of reference submitted before they will be considered for admission. Please answer the questions below and on the reverse side. Return the form **directly** to the address given below. It is University policy to **treat as confidential** any reference reports or letters of reference that are received as part of an applicant's admission documents.

Please return your reference form via regular mail, email or fax to:

Admissions Office
Thompson Rivers University
900 McGill Rd
Kamloops BC V2C 0C8
Fax: (250) 828-5036; Email: admissions@tru.ca

Name of Referee: _____
(Please print or type.)

Position: _____ Organization: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

PART 1

Bachelor of Education (BETT) Reference Report:

Please provide detailed responses to the questions below to assist the BETT Admissions Committee in the evaluation of the applicant. Separate typed letters are acceptable.

1. In what capacity, and for how long, have you known the applicant?

2. Describe the nature of the work you observed the applicant perform and indicate how long the applicant worked in this situation.

3. What strengths did you observe?

4. What challenges did the applicant encounter and how did s/he deal with them?

5. What was the applicant’s response to information and feedback you provided?

6. How do you evaluate the applicant’s character and maturity, especially as it relates to future teaching?

PART 2

In consideration of the applicant’s suitability for study and overall potential for success as a teacher, please circle a number.

Not at all suitable	Likely not suitable	Suitable with reservations	Suitable	Highly suitable
1	2	3	4	5

Please add reason for number selected:

(Date)

(Signature)