Adventure Guide Diploma Adventure Management Diploma Adventure Sports Certificate www.adventurestudies.ca

2017 - 2018 ADMISSION INFORMATION

The Adventure Studies Department at Thompson Rivers University operates the highest quality adventure guide training in the world, with the private sector being a major supporter of these programs through training, certifying, and building a network for future employment.

The diploma programs provide students with a solid foundation in adventure activities and builds on their previous experiences. The certificate program is ideal for entry-level adventure studies, and provides the opportunity to explore adventure related fields.

If you are planning on attending an outdoor recreation or adventure tourism training program, consider the TRU advantage.

Admission Requirements

Adventure Guide Diploma & Adventure Sports Certificate

Educational Requirements

- BC Grade 12, Adult Dogwood, or Mature student status OR equivalent
- English 12, English 12 First Peoples with a minimum 67% (C+)
 OR equivalent
- Math 11 or higher with a minimum C grade (Foundations or Pre-calculus is strongly recommended)
 OR equivalent

Adventure Management Diploma

Educational Requirements

- BC Grade 12, Adult Dogwood, or mature student status.
 OR equivalent
- English 12, English 12 First Peoples with a minimum 73% (B)
 OR equivalent
- Math 11 or higher with a minimum C grade (Foundations or Pre-calculus 11 is strongly recommended)
 OR equivalent

Program Requirements (all three programs)

- AGE Applicants must be a minimum of 19 years of age at the start of the program.
- Attend a Program Information session. To see dates and times visit our website or see next page.
- Completion of the Student Information Form and Activity Log. (Forms provided by Admissions)

Important Details

This application package is valid from October 01, 2016 to August 31, 2017.

Application Deadline

The Adventure Studies department will start reviewing student applications in <u>January 2017</u>. Applications after this date will only be accepted if space is available.

Documentation Required

The following documentation is necessary to verify admission requirements:

- Official transcripts of previous secondary and post-secondary educational record.
- Verification of participation in a program information session (see dates, time, and locations on website or next page).
- Completion of the Student Information Form and Activity log. (Forms provided by Admissions)

How to Apply

- Submit your application online through the Education Planner BC website or by using the paper application form found at www.tru.ca/admissions/apply
- Submit your application early; there are a limited number of seats. Late applications will only be considered if space allows. If the program is full, you will be placed on a waiting list. An application does not guarantee admissions.
- 3. **Pay** the **application fee** of \$28.12. Note: Your application will not be processed until the application fee is received.
- Submit official high school transcripts. Current high school students please submit final Grade 11 grades and an interim Grade 12 statement listing courses you are currently taking.
- Submit all official post-secondary transcripts.
- Submit any Adventure Studies required supporting documents. (see checklist).

Next Steps:

- We will contact you within 2-3 weeks to confirm that we have received your application.
- Use the checklist in this package to make sure you have included all the supporting documents required for the program you are applying to.
- Once we have reviewed your application and the applicable supporting documents, we will notify you about the admission decision.
- 4. You will be notified in writing by Admissions if you have been accepted into the program. Once accepted, you should be prepared to pay a Commitment Fee of \$500.00 as early as June in order to secure your seat and to allow for online registration.

Information Session and Procedures

Students are **required** to participate in a Program Information Session for Certificate and Diploma programs being offered by the Adventure Studies Department. These sessions provide valuable information about courses, programs, and allow prospective students to have pertinent questions answered.

Applicants will **NOT** be accepted without having attended a program information session. Program information sessions can be provided for schools, organizations or groups by contacting the Adventure Studies Department at (250) 828-5221 or adventure@tru.ca.

Dates for program information sessions outside Kamloops are as follows: You MUST register and reserve a seat for these sessions by calling 250-828-5221 or email adventure@tru.ca

Toronto

Saturday, February 25, 2017 at 3:00 pm

Location: Outdoor Adventure Show, The International Centre 6900 Airport Road, Mississauga – Meeting Room 507

Montreal

Sunday, April 1, 2017 at 2:00 pm Location: Palais Des Congres

Room - 523 A

Telephone program information sessions - All times at 10:00 am

September 22, 2016	January 12, 2017
October 06, 2016	January 26, 2017
October 20, 2016	February 09, 2017
November 03, 2016	February 23, 2017
November 17, 2016	March 09, 2017
December 01, 2016	March 23, 2017

Please contact the Adventure Studies Department at (250) 828-5221 or <u>adventure@tru.ca</u> to register for a telephone Information session.

Medical Examination

As this program is physically demanding, applicants must arrive in good physical condition suitable for participating in strenuous outdoor activities. A completed Medical Examination form is required and will be forwarded upon acceptance. Students **must** possess medical coverage and will be required to have additional coverage for any course which enters the United States or other country.

Assumption of Risk, Legal Release Document and Waiver of Claims

Due to the varying levels of risk associated with adventure travel and outdoor pursuit activities, participants will be required to sign the Adventure Studies Department's Assumption of Risk and Indemnifying Release form prior to the start of the program. Participants may want to seek legal advice regarding their signing of this form.

Program Checklist

The Admissions office encourages you to submit an Application for Admission form (Step 1). Submit the required Adventure Studies documentation (Step 2) and related documentation as each item is completed. A complete application is the full submission of *both* Step 1 and Step 2

Required for Admission to TRU (Step 1):
☐ Completed TRU Application Form
□ \$28.12 Application Fee. This fee is non-refundable.
Required for Admission to Adventure Studies (Step 2):
☐ Official high school transcripts or Interim transcripts
☐ Official post-secondary transcripts
☐ Adventure Studies Department Student Information Form
Activity Log Sheet. This is an <u>essential part</u> of your application. It is in addition to the Adventure Studies Student Information Form and the TRU Application.
After acceptance – Medical Exam and signed Assumption of Risk and Indemnifying Release Waiver forms. These forms will be sent to you directly from the Adventure Studies Department.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: Program changes are in progress. The information on-line and in the Program Information Packages are changing so all students will enter Adventure Studies programs via the Adventure Guide Certificate for Fall 2017 entry.

Need Help? Contact Us

TRU Admission Office Old Main – Student Street Phone: 250-828-5036 Fax: 250-371-5960 Email: Admissions@tru.ca TRU Admission Office 900 McGill Rd Kamloops, BC V2C 0C8

Adventure Studies Department:

Phone: 250-828-5221

Email: adventure@tru.ca orsmccolman@tru.ca

Fax: 250-371-5845

You can view all the program choices at: www.tru.ca/act/adventure

^{*}Dates, times, and locations are subject to change. To confirm the information check the Adventure website at adventure@tru.ca