

THOMPSON RIVERS UNIVERSITY

APPLICATION FORM

MLAN 2700 - FIELD SCHOOL (W'11)

Application Check-list

To be complete, your application for admission to MLAN 270 must contain 4 items:

- ___ 1. This application form, completely filled out;
- ___ 2. A brief (200 word) statement as to why you feel you should be accepted into this course;
- ___ 3. A copy of your entire academic transcripts (photocopies are fine);
- ___ 4. The full names and telephone numbers of one referee.

Submit your paper application to the secretary for the Department of English and Modern Languages (Jackie Mullen), Faculty of Arts, Room 252, AE building, TRU Kamloops Campus.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2010.
INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

This material will be assessed by the field course faculty and the BA advisor. Please print neatly!

Field School for which you are applying (please check one):

Japan _____

Mexico _____

Personal information

Sex: Male _____ Female _____

Date of birth: Day _____ Month _____ Year _____

Full Name: _____

TRU Student Number: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Your program of study: _____

Academic standing (e.g. 3rd year, 4th year) at time of this application: _____

Emergency contact

Full Name: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Citizenship Information

Citizenship: _____

Do you have a valid passport? Yes _____ No _____ In process of applying _____

If you have a valid passport, give:

Country _____

Passport number _____

Expiry date _____

Medical Information

We are travelling to a foreign country where health care and hospitals may be very different from

what you are accustomed to. Episodes or emergency treatment of undisclosed pre-existing medical conditions may place both yourself and the group at risk. Therefore, failure to disclose significant health issues prior to the candidate selection date may result in your expulsion from the program. Medical information will remain confidential within the limits of (ask Jan for wording). Students are responsible for ensuring that they have adequate medical coverage for travelling in a foreign country.

1. Do you smoke? Yes _____ No _____
2. Do you have any serious allergies? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, give details and explain what treatment is necessary in the event of an attack.

3. Are you on any medication? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please give details, including which medications, how long taken, etc.

If yes, do you carry enough medication for the duration of the trip? Yes _____ No _____

4. Have you been on any medication in the past 12 months? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please give details, including which medications, how long taken, etc.

5. Do you have any other health problems, allergies, chronic conditions? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, provide details and nature of treatment (use a separate sheet if needed).

6. Please describe how you handle long-term stress, stressful situations or adjustment to newness.

7. Are you a vegetarian? Yes _____ No _____

Do you have any other dietary restrictions? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please specify.

8. Do you possess current first-aid certification? Yes _____ No _____

(If the answer to this is “yes”, please attach a photocopy of the certificate; this is by no means a requirement for entry into this course, but it is useful information for us to have on file)

Commitment level

Please answer the following questions. Where applicable, please put a **✓** beside the answer that best describes your feeling and level of certainty in response to the question(s).

1. Have you familiarized yourself with the information available on this course, do you understand the work, difficulty and expense associated with this field course, and are you 100% committed?

- No _____
- Maybe _____
- Maybe, if _____
- Yes, if _____
- Most definitely _____

2. What courses relevant to this particular course have you taken?

Course _____	Grade _____
Course _____	Grade _____
Course _____	Grade _____
Course _____	Grade _____

3. Will you be able to meet all of the financial commitments required for this course, by the stipulated deadlines?

- Yes, probably _____
- Yes, absolutely _____
- No, probably not _____

4. Do you accept the fact that once you have made a financial commitment to this course, you likely will not be eligible for a full refund. A last-minute decision not to participate may result in even more of your fees being non-refundable.

- No, I do not accept this _____
- Yes, with hesitation, because _____
- Yes, I fully understand and accept these conditions _____

5. We will not be staying in “luxury” accommodations during this trip. Do you understand and accept that you will have to adjust to the cultural standards and dietary customs of the country

you are visiting?

No _____
Yes, with hesitation _____
Yes, I fully understand and accept _____

6. Do you understand that “free time” will be sparse during the trip, and do you agree to abide by any curfews set by instructors during the trip?

No _____
Yes, with hesitation, because _____
Yes, I fully understand and accept _____

7. Do you understand and accept the risk to personal safety that is inherent in all forms of international travel and fieldwork?

No _____
Yes, with hesitation, because _____
Yes, I fully understand and accept _____

8. Have you read the course outline, and do you understand and accept the fact that you will be travelling as a representative of Thompson Rivers University and Canada, that you will be required to sign a behavioural contract and that, at the discretion of the instructor(s), you will be removed from the course if you :

- a. show inappropriate behaviour, such as a display of disrespect for the instructors, fellow students, local residents, and/or the country, or breaking a law of that country AND/OR
- b. commit any act that constitutes a danger, threat and/or harassment to anyone.

No _____
Yes, with hesitation, because _____
Yes, I fully understand and accept _____

9. Do you realize and accept the fact that if you are removed from the course for the reasons stated in (8) above, you may be required by the instructors to immediately leave the country, or you may be required to remain with the field course group but otherwise withdraw from all activities associated with the course? Further, do you accept the fact that if you are required to withdraw from the field course for inappropriate behaviour, you will not be entitled to a refund of any amount?

No _____
Yes, with hesitation, because _____
Yes, I fully understand and accept _____

10. If you are selected for admission into this course, are you committed to being present at all mandatory meetings that take place prior to departure? A failure to attend these meetings may result in your expulsion from the course.

No _____
Yes, with hesitation, because _____
Yes, I will make this commitment _____

11. If you are selected to participate in this course, you will be required to complete a risk management seminar through TRU World and sign a behavioural contract outlining acceptable behaviours. This is mandatory. Failure to complete these two components will result in automatic expulsion from the course. Are you committed to fulfilling these requirements?

No _____
Yes, with hesitation, because _____
Yes, I will make this commitment _____

12. What is your previous travel experience? Have you ever lived outside of North America? (elaborate)

13. Have you previously taken part in a field school, student exchange, study tour or similar program?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, describe briefly.

Commitment Essay

Attach to this application a short (200 words maximum), type-written statement as to why you feel you should be permitted to take part in this course (this may be done by e-mail). Tell us why you are interested in taking this course, and why it will be a positive experience in relation to your future life and career ambitions. Please tell us what contribution you believe you could make to this course, if you are accepted.

Transcripts

Please attach a copy of your transcripts. They do not need to be official copies. Photocopies of your transcripts are acceptable, as are copies downloaded from TRU Online.

Character Reference

Please provide us with the full names and telephone numbers of one person we can easily contact for character references. In addition to providing a character reference, this person should also know how this course is likely to benefit you. Your referee should not be a family member. Make sure your referee knows these details.

Referee's name: _____

Referee's telephone number: _____

Once we receive your application, we will contact you for a short personal or phone interview to discuss your questionnaire answers. We will then tell you whether or not your application has been successful. Assuming that your application is successful, we will ask you to pay a \$500 non-refundable deposit care of the TRU Finance Division **by November 30, 2010.**

Signature: _____

Date: _____