

Commencement

Congratulations on completing your program!

Please join us at this year's Commencement ceremony to honour your achievements with family and friends. Please read this document carefully as it has important information about the ceremony and things to do in preparation for this very important day.

Date: Friday, May 31, 2019 at 2:30 p.m.

Place: Thompson Rivers University – Williams Lake Campus, 1250 Western Avenue

Valedictorian: Please see the attached nomination form. The deadline for nominations is Wednesday, April 3, 2019.

Invitations: Invitations are not required for entrance to the ceremony and RSVP is also not required. There is no limit to the number of guests you can invite.

Bookstore: Don't forget to stop by the Bookstore before Commencement to browse our exclusive line of TRU grad items, including credential frames and commemorative memorabilia.

Arrival time: Please arrive between 12:30 p.m. and 1:45 p.m. in the Library Centre for gowning. Refreshments for students will be available. Please bring your gown deposit with you to the library, but leave your valuables (purse, backpack, etc.) and camera with one of your guests.

Regalia: Your official regalia (cap, gown and stole) will be provided to you. A valid driver's license or \$20 deposit is required. Once you are fitted, you cannot leave the library. This ensures the "wow" factor during the procession. After the ceremony you can return your gown to the library and collect your deposit. Commencement caps will be available for purchase for \$5 in the library.

Certificates: You will receive your official certificate of participation once you have returned your gown.

Apply to Graduate: At the ceremony, you'll receive a certificate of participation. To receive your official credentials, please apply to graduate. The steps to apply can be found here:

www.tru.ca/williamslake/commencement

Pictures: During the ceremony you will receive your scroll from the dean or department representative. Please stop with the President to have your picture taken before leaving the stage. A photographer will be available for individual and group photographs before and after the ceremony. The cost for these photographs will be posted in the library.

Recession: At the end of the ceremony, you will be directed out of the gym by an usher.

Class photo: Please remain at the main entrance after the recession for a TRU Williams Lake Class of 2019 group photo. Program photos with your instructors may also be taken at this time.

Reception: You and your guests are invited to a reception in Student Street after the ceremony for some light refreshments and to celebrate your achievements!

Williams Lake Alumni Celebration:

Thursday, May 30 at 6 p.m. (location TBD)

TRU Alumni in Williams Lake are coming together to celebrate and welcome our newest alumni. Join us for appetizers, beverages and a few words from the Alumni Association. TRU Alumni and new graduates from all campuses are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to alumni@tru.ca

Questions? Please visit Administration or call 250-392-8007.