

Online: Language and Culture



A PLACE WHERE WORLD LEARNERS COME TOGETHER.

We are excited to offer our popular Language and Culture program in an online format.

While developing English skills online alongside other learners from around the world, students immerse themselves virtually in elements of Canadian culture, explore aspects of intercultural communication, participate in an elective and experience an individualized learning experience through one-to-one sessions.

All our online programs are offered live and in real time with one of our certified language instructors. Your class time will be spent having live communication with your instructor and meeting new friends from around the world.

Learn Canadian culture and better prepare yourself to study overseas

Learn about cultural differences and similarities in our intercultural communication classes

Improve your English proficiency, especially in speaking and listening

Choose an elective and increase your knowledge in a specialized topic

Have the opportunity to meet individually with your instructor during our one-to-one sessions

Practice your conversation skills with other students during the Conversation Cafe

Participate in virtual cultural activities

Study with TRU

For 30 years, Thompson Rivers University (TRU) has been delivering customized training programs of the highest calibre, earning us worldwide recognition. Our intensive, short-term programs are strategically balanced to maximize learning opportunities while allowing participants enough time to gain an appreciation of Canadian culture and participate in carefully selected activities. The result is a rich and rewarding experience that will last a lifetime.



TRU Campus, located in the heart of Kamloops

Course descriptions

Each class will take place in a live virtual setting. You will have the chance to see your instructor and take part in group activities with your classmates.

ENGLISH STUDIES: Student-centered, communicative lessons designed to enhance each of the core skills (speaking, listening, reading, writing) while providing students with insights into life in Canada.

CANADIAN CULTURE: Content-based instruction is provided as you virtually explore geography, regional foods, popular music and more.

INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION SKILLS: A series of workshops that allow you to explore the intricate world of culture theory. These lessons are designed to highlight culture complexity, enhance appreciation of cultural differences and provide students with tools to assist them on their journey to intercultural fluency.

ELECTIVES: Options include Global Citizenship, Healthy Choices, Leadership Skills and STEM skills. Note that the list may vary depending on enrolment.

ONE-TO-ONE SEMINARS: A unique aspect of this program is the two 15-minute sessions with your instructor. Individualized instruction, pronunciation tutorials, Q&A sessions and conversation topics are some of the possibilities.

VIRTUAL ACTIVITIES: These are sure to be a program highlight and may include: exercise classes, virtual museum visits, trivia contests, virtual scavenger hunts and puzzles, international student panels, virtual visits to the wildlife park and more.









Sample 3 Week Schedule				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Welcome, Needs Analysis and Badges Introduction 9 – 11 a.m. Elective Noon – 1 p.m. One-to-One Seminars/Badges 1 – 2 p.m.	English Studies 9 – 10 a.m. Canadian Studies 10 – 11 a.m. Intercultural Communication Skills Noon – 1 p.m. Exercise Class: High Intensity Interval Training 1 – 2 p.m.	English Studies 9-10 a.m. One-to-One Seminars/ Conversation Café 10-11 a.m. Elective Noon-1 p.m. One-to-One Seminars/ Badges 1-2 p.m.	English Studies 9-10 a.m. Canadian Studies 10-11 a.m. Intercultural Communication Skills Noon-1 p.m. BC Wildlife Park Virtual Encounter 1-2 p.m.	English Studies 10 – 11 a.m. One-to-One Seminars/ Conversation Café 11 a.m. – noon Elective 1 – 2 p.m. One-to-One Seminars/Badges 2 – 3 p.m.
English Studies 9-10 a.m. One-to-One Seminars/ Conversation Cafe 10-11 a.m. Elective Noon-1 p.m. One-to-One Seminars/Badges 10-11 a.m.	English Studies 9-10 a.m. Canadian Studies 10-11 a.m. Intercultural Communication Skills Noon-1 p.m. Breakout Box 1-2 p.m.	English Studies 9-10 a.m. One-to-One Seminars/ Conversation Café 10-11 a.m. Elective Noon -1 p.m. One-to-One Seminars/ Badges 1-2 p.m.	English Studies 9-10 a.m. Royal Tyrrell Museum Virtual Visit 10-11 a.m. Canadian Studies Noon -1 p.m. Intercultural Communication Skills 1-2 p.m.	English Studies 10 – 11 a.m. One-to-One Seminars/ Conversation Cafe 11 a.m. – noon Elective 1 – 2 p.m. One-to-One Seminars/Badges 2 – 3 p.m.
English Studies 9 – 10 a.m. One-to-One Seminars/ Conversation Café 10 – 11 a.m. Elective Noon – 1 p.m. One-to-One Seminars Badges 1 – 2 p.m.	English Studies 9 – 10 a.m. Canadian Studies 10 – 11 a.m. Intercultural Communication Skills Noon – 1 p.m. Student Panel 1 – 2 p.m.	English Studies 9-10 a.m. One-to-One Seminars/ Conversation Café 10-11 a.m. Elective Noon -1 p.m. One-to-One Seminars/ Badges 1-2 p.m.	English Studies 9 – 10 a.m. Canadian Studies 10 – 11 a.m. Intercultural Communication Skills Noon – 1 p.m. Trivia Review Game 1 – 2 p.m.	English Studies 10 – 11 a.m. One-to-One Seminars/ Conversation Café 11 a.m. – noon Badges Review 1 – 2 p.m. Online Closing Ceremony 2 – 3 p.m.

Program dates:

February 18 - March 7, 2025 August 6 - 22, 2025

Program fee: \$1395

Apply online

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