

Education Assistant & Community Support CERTIFICATE



Why choose the Education Assistant and Community Support Certificate at TRU?

When you choose to enroll in the Education Assistant and Community Support (EACS) certificate, you are embarking on an 8-month journey to employment readiness. The EACS Certificate program will prepare you for careers with schools and agencies that provide support and service to children, youth, or adults with exceptionalities. Graduates of the program are able to assist individuals with special needs to learn educational, social, vocational, recreational and personal life skills.

During the Winter semester, you will be able to gain on-the-job training during your field work practicum, with placements offered in schools and community agencies.

Where will an EACS Certificate take me?

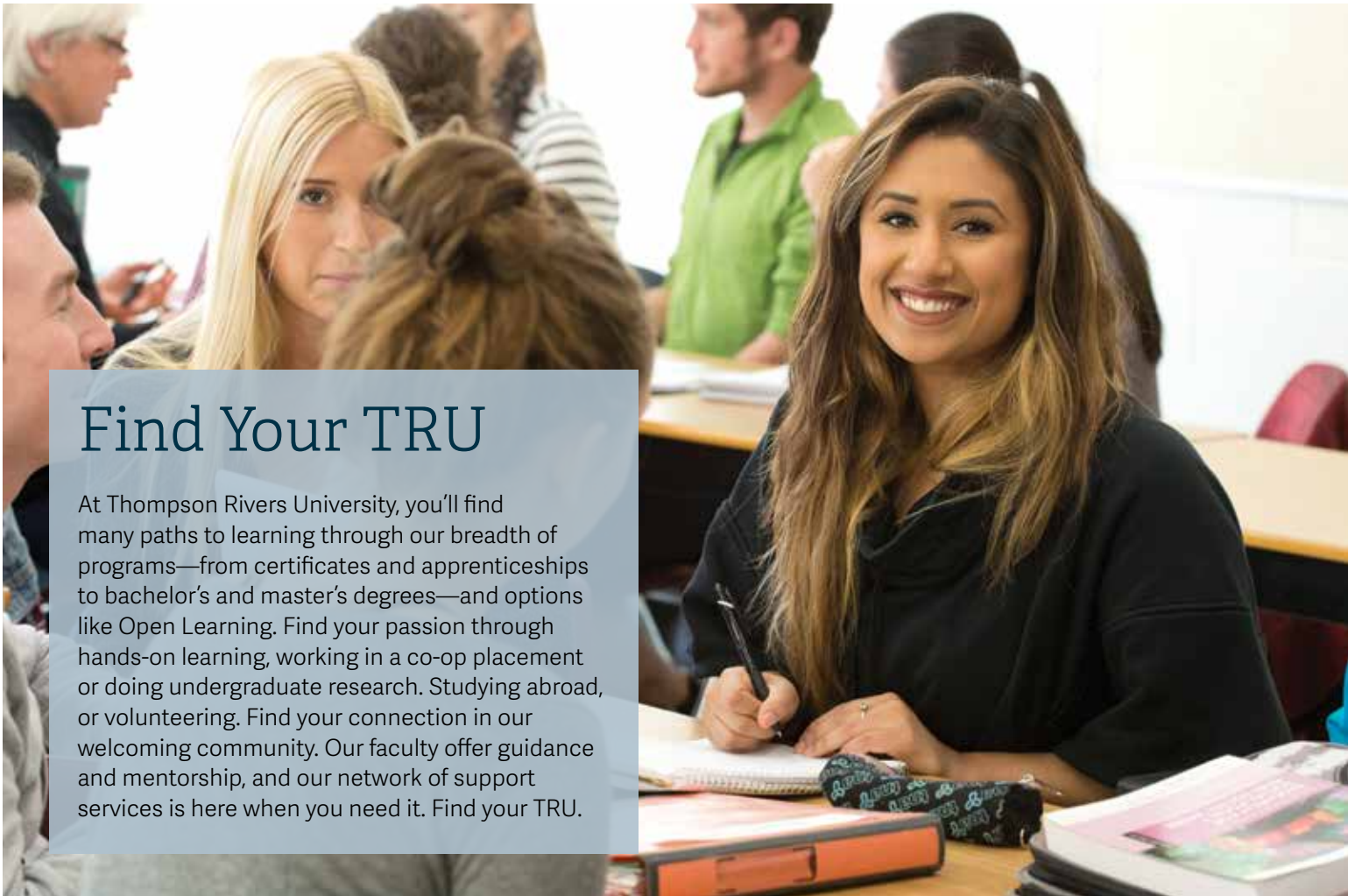
Upon graduation, several career options will await you, including:

- Certified Education Assistant (CEA)
- Community Support Worker (CSW)

This certification is required to work for SD#73 as a CEA and as a CSW in the community.

Over 90% of graduates from the TRU EACS Certificate find work related to the field within four months of program completion. You will also have the option to ladder directly into Year Two of the Human Service Diploma program.

Visit tru.ca/edsw/social-work/eacs



Find Your TRU

At Thompson Rivers University, you'll find many paths to learning through our breadth of programs—from certificates and apprenticeships to bachelor's and master's degrees—and options like Open Learning. Find your passion through hands-on learning, working in a co-op placement or doing undergraduate research. Studying abroad, or volunteering. Find your connection in our welcoming community. Our faculty offer guidance and mentorship, and our network of support services is here when you need it. Find your TRU.

A TRU Story

Taylor Morrison Graduated in 2015



TRU allows for a more personal university experience where someone is more than just their student number. As well, as I explored different universities, I found that TRU's staff was always welcoming, hospitable, and helpful.

I appreciate how the core classes address actual material that is important to both education assistants and support workers.

The instructors are able to clearly explain material, answer questions and provide relevant information due to their practical experiences.

Enroll into the EACS Program at TRU - you will not regret it!

Studying at TRU

At TRU your options range from trades to traditional academics, from certificates to bachelor and graduate degrees, from professional career paths to research and creative inquiry, with formal recognition for your experiential learning in and outside the classroom.

Be part of a diverse and vibrant campus community, with small class sizes and many ways to get involved and get to know both students and faculty. TRU's beautiful main campus in Kamloops is walking distance from commercial districts, recreation and residential areas, and a wealth of outdoor adventures and cultural events are minutes away, year-round.

WHO CAN I TALK TO?

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