



English as a Second or Additional Language

Create your success

At TRU, we set you up for academic and professional success. Gain confidence through experiential and impactful learning opportunities in our five-level English as a Second Language (ESL) program. Improve your English fluency while taking academic courses. Earn credits toward your degree and add to the asset of your first language while doing ESL courses.

Preparing for Canadian university education requires knowledge, skills and practice in the English language. Being able to read, write, understand and speak English improves your academic performance and increases your employability.

With small class sizes, you receive personalized care. You also receive extra support through the ESL Language Learning Centre and the Writing Centre—everything from general conversational practice to personal assistance with classroom presentations or research papers.

As a beginner or advanced English learner, you strengthen your English language abilities and meet the requirements for admission to all TRU programs.

Gain a certificate.

After Level 1, you receive a certificate for every ESL level you complete:

Level	Certificate
2	ESL Foundations
3	Intermediate
4	Academic Preparation
5	Advanced Academic Preparation

We also offer elective courses in service learning and business communications.

Experience quality learning.

Our five-level program focuses on critical thinking, collaboration and use of technology. The program is matched to the International English Language Testing System (IELTS), the Global Scale of English (GSE) and Canadian Language Benchmarks (CLB).

Receive bridge certificates.

Complete Level 4 and receive your Academic Preparation Certificate. Then enter one of four academic bridge programs. The certificates will support you on your way toward an undergraduate degree:

- ESL with an Introduction to Business
- ESL with an Introduction to Sciences
- ESL with an Introduction to Arts
- ESL with an Introduction to Fine Arts

A TRU STORY

Joey Wang

(Level 5 graduate and Master of Education student)



What did you like most?

"ESL at TRU is an inclusive and well-designed language-learning environment.

Instructors use multiple and flexible teaching methods—such as learning circles and debates—

to make the classes active and enjoyable.

Through cultural communication in ESL, I gained a deeper understanding of English."

FIND YOUR TRU

Be surrounded with the natural beauty of BC's Interior—panoramic views of the North and South Thompson rivers, grasslands and mountainous hills.

Located centrally in a small but vibrant city, the Kamloops campus is near restaurants, coffee bars, shopping, entertainment and the spectacular outdoors. Enjoy small, supportive classes and the encouragement of your instructors.

Find your path and your passion. **Find your TRU.**



INTERESTED IN ADMISSION?

Choose between IELTS, the English Placement Test (EPT), Accuplacer or the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) to determine your level of English proficiency.

Please contact us—we welcome your questions. Join the ESL at TRU community of success!

Apply for AWARDS.

As an ESL student at TRU, you can apply for scholarship awards. Please see Student Awards & Financial Support at tru.ca/awards.

WHY ESL AT TRU?

ESL at TRU offers choice.

You choose a timetable that fits your life.
You choose elective courses that reflect your goals.
You choose the English placement test you want.

ESL at TRU is flexible.

TRU is one of the few universities where you can take academic courses while taking ESL. Also, you can choose your own flexible schedule.

ESL at TRU is personal.

Instructors know your name. Small classes and personalized teaching create a sense of belonging. The ESL Learning Centre offers social nights with games and movies, creating a real sense of community.

ESL at TRU celebrates your success.

You receive tutoring through the ESL Learning Centre and the TRU Writing Centre to ensure success in your courses. Your success is celebrated through several scholarship awards.

ESL at TRU is practical.

As an international student, you receive extensive practical support through the International Student Advisory Program—information about pre-arrival, housing, campus life and more.

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Find contacts for international and domestic admissions at tru.ca/edsw/esl/contacts.

APPLY NOW.

TRU's Department of English as a Second Language is now accepting applications from international and domestic students to any program at TRU.

We are here to welcome you and support your success.

tru.ca/esl