



THOMPSON RIVERS UNIVERSITY

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ELEMENTARY) PROGRAM INFORMATION PACKAGE

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The [Bachelor of Education \(Elementary\)](#) program offers a combination of on-campus study and extensive school practicum experiences. While it is recommended that applicants have a Bachelor's Degree, applicants are eligible for admission with a minimum of 90 credits.

This program will give graduates the skills they need to pursue a career in teaching the BC school curriculum. Graduates will meet the educational requirement for a Professional Teaching Certificate issued by the British Columbia Teacher Regulation Branch (TRB), which is required to teach grades K-12 in BC public and independent schools.

INTAKE DATE

Fall (September)

APPLICATION DEADLINE

February 15, 2020

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. 6 credits in English, including both literature and composition
2. 3 credits in mathematics (not statistics)
3. 3 credits in science (biology, chemistry, physics, physical geography, geology or earth science, environmental studies and astronomy)
4. 3 credits in history or geography
5. 18 credits at the 3000/4000 level in one or more teachable areas within the BC school curriculum
6. 6 credits in Canadian Studies in humanities or social sciences (may be included in lines 4 and 5 above)
7. 24 credits of course work in a subject area taught in British Columbia schools. These 24 credits may include the 18 credits in number 5 above
8. Minimum GPA of 2.67. Admission GPA is calculated on a total of 33 credits including 1 to 5 above

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY DOCUMENTATION

- Statement of 100 hours experience
 - A one-page outline noting 100 hours minimum of relevant paid or volunteer experience working with groups of elementary school-age or middle school-age children.
 - A minimum 25 of the 100 hours are recommended to be in an elementary school setting.
 - Please list the activity, the name of organization/school, number of students and age range, total hours and dates.

- Briefly and explicitly, describe the nature and extent of these experiences and your role in working with students.
- Letter of Intent (maximum 350 words)
 - Describe why you want to become a teacher
 - Provide your reasons for choosing the TRU BEd program
 - Any additional information you feel is pertinent to your application
- Two [Reference Reports](#)
 - From qualified referees who have observed your interactions with groups of elementary or middle school aged children. Referees must submit the reports directly to TRU Admissions at admissions@tru.ca and include your name and BEd in the subject line of their email.

HOW TO APPLY

1. Apply online through [EducationPlannerBC](#)
2. [Submit official transcript\(s\)](#) to Enrolment Services

Official High School Transcripts:

BC high school applicants must register to release their transcript to TRU through the [Student Transcript Service \(STS\)](#). For assistance with this process, please refer to the Transcript Service help videos or connect with our Future Students team at 250-828-5006. Out of province applicants must send their official transcripts now and at the time of graduation. Please visit your provincial or territorial Ministry of Education for further information on how to order.

Official Post-Secondary Transcripts:

Applicants are required to submit official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended. If you are currently attending another post-secondary institution, you must submit an official transcript at the time of your application. Should you have courses in progress, you will be required to submit a final official transcript at completion. You are not required to submit your TRU transcript.

Option to submit transcripts by mail: Official transcripts can be mailed directly from the school in a sealed envelope to:

Thompson Rivers University
Enrolment Services
805 TRU Way
Kamloops, BC V2C 0C8

3. Submit any additional documentation to Admissions. Documents emailed to admissions@tru.ca must be in PDF format. Include your TRU ID number in the subject line.

NEXT STEPS

We will contact you within 5 working days to confirm receipt of your application. You will then be able to review your application status and document receipt on [myTRU](#). Please allow 3-5 days from submission of your documentation for the receipt date to be reflected on your account.

NEED HELP?

For assistance with the application process:

[Contact Us](#)

Enrolment Services – Admissions & Registration

Old Main, Student Street

Phone: 250-828-5036

Email: admissions@tru.ca

For assistance with program-specific requirements:

Program Advisor - Bachelor of Education

Email: edadvising@tru.ca