Program Overview

Theatre
The Theatre Program at Thompson Rivers University provides students with a variety of undergraduate courses designed for both the theatre specialist and the generalist. Acting, from first to fourth year levels, directing, theatre history and technical theatre courses offer students a full range of theatre options linked to both the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Education degrees. Providing training since 1985, the Theatre Major is the only one outside the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island region offering a full range of university-level theatre arts courses.

The TRU Actors Workshop Theatre is the live stage element of TRU’s Visual & Performing Arts Department. All stage productions feature students enrolled in various acting and technical theatre courses, during a full season of production in the Black Box Theatre.

Theatre Opportunities
The program has partnered with the professional company in Kamloops, Western Canada Theatre, to create opportunities to further students’ practical experience. Onstage and backstage, many of our past and present theatre students have contributed to WCT’s production season. Many TRU theatre graduates continue to perform and train in professional and community capacities long after finishing their Theatre Major.

The theatre program is committed to student artistic development. Dedicated theatre students are eligible for several monetary awards for both junior and senior levels of study to encourage and reward technical and acting excellence. For more information on awards and bursaries, please contact the Financial Aid and Awards Office.

TRUDAT
University enrolled students can also take advantage of the on-campus TRU Drama & Theatre (TRUDAT) club that typically features original and alternative material performed in the Black Box Theatre.

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Academic Requirements

Admission Requirements

B.C. Grade 12, or equivalent or mature status. 73% on combined English 12 and Government Exam (written within the last 5 years), or Level 4 on the composition section of the L.P.I. (written within the last 2 years), or completion of English 060 or completion of CESL 053, CESL 054 and 057 with C+ or better.

Program Requirements

Students are normally expected to enter the Major program in their second year of studies. All candidates must meet with the Major’s advisor to verify their qualifications and then design the best-suited path for completing the BA degree, and to discuss the various theatre courses options available.

The admission requirements into the Theatre Arts Major Program requires the completion of at least 54 credits in Theatre, of which a minimum of 30 credits must be at the upper level (300 and 400 level) of which no less than 6 credits must be at the 400 level. The program consists of 24 credits of core and elective courses.

Admission to TRU

TRU is a unique, comprehensive university offering undergraduate and graduate degrees and two-year professional diplomas, along with certificates, trade-entry and apprenticeship training and university preparation courses.

Applications for Admission to most programs are accepted starting Oct. 1 each year for programs that begin in August or September of the following year. Check the website for application deadlines, program start dates, and detailed admissions processes.

Applications to the TRU Bachelor of Arts program are available from:

Academic Admissions Office
Thompson Rivers University
900 McGill, PO Box 3010
Kamloops, British Columbia V2C 0C8
Tel: 250.828.5251
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Program Costs

- Tuitions fees: see current TRU calendar for details
- Student fees: see current TRU calendar for details
- Student union fees: see the current calendar for details

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