

TRU / Canada / Kamloops

Bachelor of Science in Tourism

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1) Hiking around Lake Louise

Motivation

The motivation for a study abroad can be individual and for different purposes. I would like to list a few reasons why I decided to go abroad and attend a university outside of Europe. Firstly, the exchange of experiences and information with people with a different cultural background is of great importance to me. Secondly, I wanted to meet new friends and create a social network with people from all over the world. Thirdly, I needed to improve my English skills. Therefore, I applied for universities in English speaking countries only. All-encompassing, a study exchange will be part of my future curriculum vitae and improve my possibilities for further job applications.



2) Socializing Event

Destination

I attended Thompson Rivers University, which is located in Kamloops, Beautiful British Columbia in Canada. Kamloops means “where the rivers meet” and is a new town on the important East-West-Axis rather, than an old village with lots of culture and history. However, Kamloops is located in central BC and therefore a good point on the map to start exploring Canada (or let us say BC ;). Public transport is not well developed in Canada, therefore you are dependent on private transportation. However, you either meet people who own a car, or you may rent a car with friends or buy a car for little money, which is worth in my point of view. When I arrived in Kamloops I was

shocked by the setting and the rural area, but I discovered the beauty of Kamloops and its possibilities at a second glance. You won't get bored if you are spontaneous and ready to explore!



3) Kamloops and surroundings

TRU

The Thompson Rivers University is a highly developed campus with different on-campus options, ranging from student housing, tournament facilities to leisure activities and of course classrooms. TRU attracts people from all over the world. More than 10'000 students attend TRU, and from that number, more than 1300 are international students. Therefore, the TRU World Office is well structured and there are Student Advisors responsible for you and your concerns. If you are interested you can join one of the many student unions and become part of their committee. However, be open-minded and meet new people from all over the world. And what the heck is the definition of a real Canadian?



4) Snowboard Jam Session on Campus

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.