

Shaping our Global Future

A draft of TRU's Roadmap to Comprehensive Internationalization 2025-2035

In 2024, TRU initiated the Strategic Internationalization Planning process to guide its global strategy for the next decade.

Several emerging themes have been identified through campus and community feedback. These themes play a crucial role in shaping TRU's global future ensuring that the university's approach to international education, global engagement and partnerships are rooted in TRU's vision statement of being "community-minded with a global conscience."

1. Empowering Learners through Curricula and Support

This theme emphasizes embedding global competencies and intercultural knowledge into TRU's core academic activities. It focuses on instilling global competencies in learners to collaborate on research-driven solutions, leading in the development of innovative teaching and learning practices, and expanding access to internationalization opportunities for faculty, staff and learners. The aim is to position TRU as a leader in global education and learning.

3. Expanding Indigenous Partnerships and Addressing Systemic Inequities

This theme focuses on expanding access and support for our internationalization efforts with Indigenous partners. It includes embedding Secwépemc culture into TRU's internationalization initiatives, cultivating a culture of reciprocity and collaboration, and continuing to explore innovative intersections of internationalization and Indigenization. The aim is to make meaningful progress in advancing Indigenous decolonization while continuing to deepen our knowledge and understanding of Secwépemc culture.

5. Leading in Global Engagement and Addressing Global Challenges

This theme emphasizes TRU's role in addressing regional, national and global challenges. It focuses on encouraging collaboration to create a positive impact both locally and globally, aligning with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, and promoting a climate-literate approach to internationalization. The aim is to position TRU as a forward-thinking institution committed to balancing internationalization with environmental, economic and social responsibility.

What are your thoughts?

- Do the outlined themes capture the diverse voices and perspectives within the TRU community?
- How does addressing these themes position TRU as a leader in internationalization?
- Are there any significant aspects or viewpoints we have overlooked in these themes?

2. Diversifying International Student Body and Enhancing Support

This theme centers on supporting TRU's goal of diversifying our international student body while providing exceptional support services. Key aspects include providing outstanding international support services to enhance our international students' experience and academic success, expanding access to diverse course modalities for international students, and supporting the diversification of our international students through TRU's Strategic Enrolment Management Plan. The aim is to create a more inclusive and globally connected student experience at TRU.

4. Fostering Cultural Expression and Community Engagement

This theme highlights the importance of creating spaces for cultural expression and community engagement. It involves promoting community vitality by recognizing cultural well-being, creating spaces for sharing personal stories and cultivating cultural identities, and developing internationalization-at-home opportunities to foster engagement with the wider community. The aim is to cultivate a more inclusive and culturally rich environment at TRU.

We value your input!

Share your thoughts on these themes by emailing your feedback to:

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