

## UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMMES

### Bachelor of Arts in English

Students will gain broad knowledge of global literature in English and related issues and debates, a flavour of emerging literature by Bhutanese writers, and a solid grounding in communication skills using English as the medium. The language modules give students the opportunity to develop their written and oral English skills, with a view to employment in creative areas, media settings, education, business (e.g., programme officer, advertising and marketing, content writing), or government, public policy and advocacy.

### Bachelor of Arts in Dzongkha and History

The programme not only provides great fluency in two languages (History is taught in English), but also includes subjects such as Political Science, Buddhism, Culture, Sociology, and Research Methods. Job possibilities includes civil service, elected national and local government, media and journalism, research and consultancy, translation work.

### Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Sociology

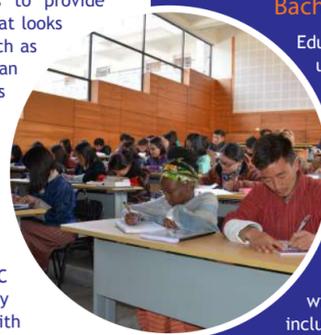
This programme provides students with a strong foundation in dual subjects. It offers a complementary way of understanding major political and social developments. The programme enables students to understand political philosophy and management within the context of society. Students can look forward to a variety of jobs within the government, NGOs, civil society, and in the political sphere.

### Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology

Anthropology is the study of human cultures. This new programme aims to provide undergraduate students with a solid grounding in this diverse field of inquiry that looks at the functioning and meaning of culture and society in numerous contexts such as families, heritage, gender, development, globalization, and others. Graduates can look forward to a variety of careers in teaching and research, corporate settings and business, government (in national and local governmental organizations in planning, research and managerial capacities), and non-profit and community-based organizations.

### Bachelor of Mass Communication

For those students wishing to pursue a career in communications, media and production, public relations, education, business, film-making, journalism, or technical aspects of media, the newly launched BA in Mass Communication at RTC offers a knowledge- and practice-based programme of study suited for the rapidly changing communications landscape of Bhutan and beyond. Students will work with the internet, social media, audio, photography, video, and digital graphics while they learn about communication as an art and science in a variety of settings and applications.



### Business Programmes

RTC is great for business: Our outstanding faculty mentorship has resulted in student prizes in national and international business competitions. An RTC education in Business means experience you can trust - BBA and BCom programmes have been offered at RTC since 2009 and are recently updated with increased emphasis on continuous practical skills development.

**Bachelor of Business Administration:** Students will gain an understanding of conceptual and applied aspects of management and business, as well as develop entrepreneurial skills for self-employment. The BBA opens up a variety of career opportunities in the world of business and government, in fields such as marketing, human resource management, tourism and management information systems.

**Bachelor of Commerce:** The programme provides strong academic knowledge and skills in Finance or Accounting required to match the growing needs of industry and commerce, such as the need for effective analysis and evaluation of business and economic situations. Graduates will be prepared for a wide range of professional careers in business or the public sector.

### Bachelor of Arts in Development Economics

This unique programme incorporates an international standard economics curriculum, emphasizes research, and helps graduates address what Bhutan and the global economy need right now and in the future. Upon successful completion, graduates will have adequate training to pursue careers as economists, development practitioners, policy analysts, civil servants, consultants, researchers, managers, businessmen, bankers, social leaders, political leaders, and academicians.

### Bachelor of Computer Applications

Education is practical at RTC, and a conceptual grounding in modern computing usage as well as practical business applications are provided in the BCA programme, making candidates ideally suitable for IT-sector entry-level jobs. IT products made by RTC students are now in use at many organizations, and the BCA programme has produced multiple national toppers in the RCSE ICT category.

### Bachelor of Science in Environmental Management

EM students will gain a core foundation in natural and social sciences, economics and humanities, and business and policy, with environmentally-focused coursework in these areas. They will be well-prepared for careers in a variety of diverse fields, including environmental compliance and monitoring at government organizations, corporate and industrial bodies, environmental consulting, non-governmental environmental advocacy, or public policy.



### CULTURAL EXCHANGE & INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

RTC has been expanding its international partnerships and presently has agreements with over 30 educational institutes around the world.

- Currently, RTC has an award-winning partnership with Wheaton College in the USA. Selected RTC students and staff also visit Wheaton College for a 2 week study programme.
- As part of an academic partnership with SEISA University, 10 RTC students accompanied by a faculty member visit Japan for 2 weeks every year.
- Each year, selected RTC students study for a year on exchange at Pitzer College, California, USA.

**Imagine yourself taking advantage of these and many other international opportunities!**

### Our International Partners and Exchanges Include:

- Canada - Quest University, Squamish, British Columbia
- Japan - SEISA University
- Switzerland - HWZ, Zurich
- Australia - Edith Cowan University
- Nepal - Kathmandu University
- India - Sikkim University
- Indonesia - Universitas Jember, International Cultural camp
- USA - Wheaton College, Massachusetts
  - Academic Programs International (API), Texas
  - Pitzer College, California
  - University of California, Davis, California
  - Middlebury Institute of International Studies, Monterey, California
  - Yale University, Connecticut
  - University of Virginia, Arlington, Virginia
  - University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma
  - Linfield College, Oregon
  - Westminster College, Utah
  - Montshire Museum of Science, Norwich, Vermont

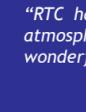


### HONOUR ROLL



*"RTC is the institution where I was able to build, inculcate and incubate my life setting achievements. My message to the RTC family is that without the great opportunities, massive availability of learning resources, and the profoundly committed professors, I could not have achieved these amazing results."*

- Kinzang Jamtsho, RCSE 2017 - #1 Topper in PGDFM Category



*"RTC has been the greatest home away from home, with a conducive learning atmosphere. I am immensely grateful that I had the chance to be a part of a wonderful institution that not only focuses on academic learning but also on life-long required skills and personal development."*

- Damchoe Dema, RCSE 2017 - 9th position in PGDPA Category



*"Thank you RTC for helping me reach this position in life, and for your unwavering motivation, trust and faith. This achievement of mine is equally yours. To all my friends, if you are looking for a college, search no further and secure your future by choosing RTC. I know I did."*

- Sangay Wangdi, RCSE 2016 - 2nd position in PGDFM Category



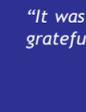
*"This achievement is largely owing to the efforts the college has put in. It has created a platform for students to develop and advance. I am fortunate to have gotten those opportunities to develop myself."*

- Kuenzang Dorji, RCSE 2015 - 2nd position in PGDPA Category



*"At RTC, I learned to discover my potential and innate capabilities: the College helped me transform from a caterpillar to a beautiful butterfly. If you are looking for an inspiring education for your higher studies, RTC is the right choice for you."*

- Kinley Namgay, RCSE 2014 - 2nd position overall and Topper in PGDPA Category



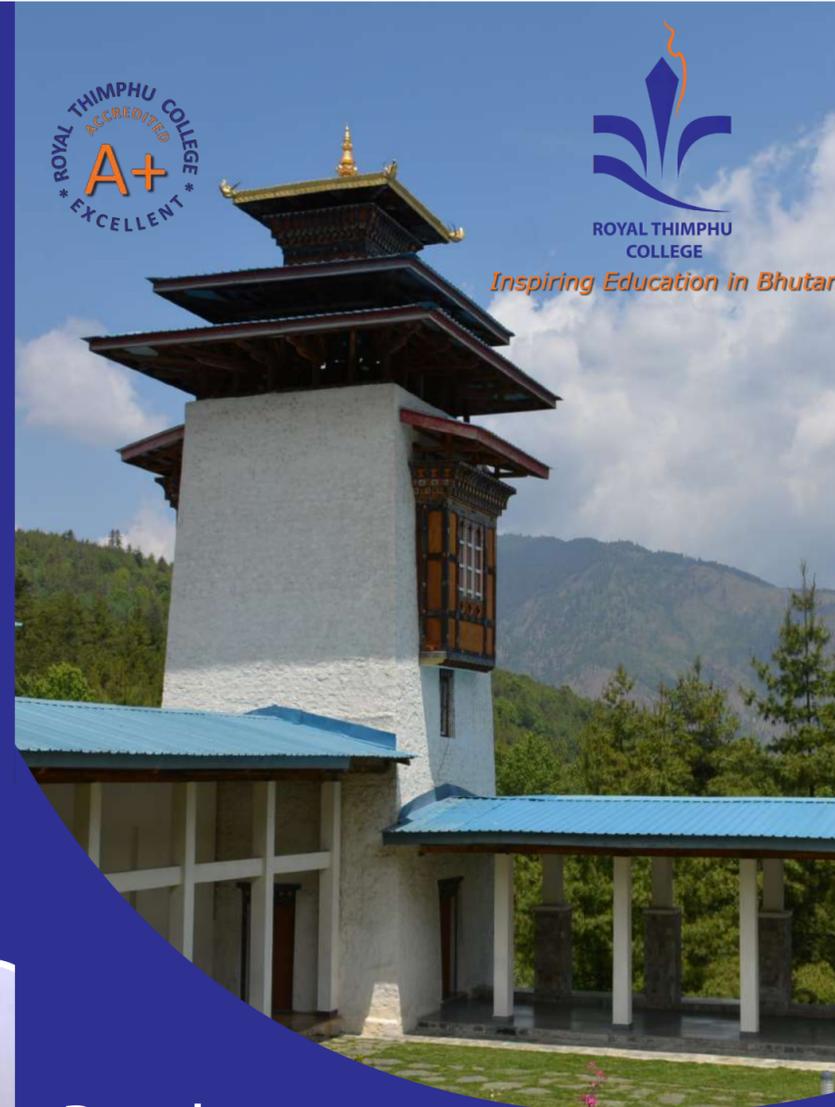
*"It was an honor to have graduated from one of the best colleges in Bhutan. I am grateful for the indispensable role that the entire RTC family played in my college journey, supporting me in every way during my time there."*

- Bikash Rai, RCSE 2014 - #1 Topper in PGDFM Category



*"RTC helped me to pursue my dreams and taught me to always strive for excellence. I have learnt that hard work and perseverance always pays off in the end. RTC will always be remembered and cherished in my heart."*

- Yeshey Choden, RCSE 2014 - Overall #1 National Topper



ROYAL THIMPHU COLLEGE

Inspiring Education in Bhutan

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## STUDY AT ROYAL THIMPHU COLLEGE

“Inspiring Education in Bhutan” is both an aspiration and a description of the education offered at Royal Thimphu College (RTC), Bhutan’s first private college. This aspiration expresses both the vision of the college, to inspire the education sector by setting a worthy example, and also describes the type of education that the college offers.

### Why Choose RTC?

- Bhutan’s first and only A+ accredited institution
- World-class education in a distinctly Bhutanese setting
- Affiliated with the Royal University of Bhutan (RUB) - recognized in Bhutan and beyond
- Affordable fees and significant scholarships
- Career/personal guidance and development as an integral part of the programme
- Innovative courses attuned to current and future job needs
- Diverse Bhutanese and international faculty, emphasizing both national values and international perspectives
- Global partnerships with opportunities for students to participate in cultural exchanges abroad
- Wide array of extracurricular activities and off-campus opportunities

### GET THE RTC ADVANTAGE

- The College provides Career Skills development activities for all final year and other interested students in order to prepare them for the job market. These include personal aptitude identification, interview and job preparation skills, resume writing, career fairs & panel discussions with alumni and potential employers, and career counselling to help students make informed decisions about career choices.
- Students are encouraged to participate in internships and projects with local employers, facilitated by RTC.
- The Indian Ambassador generously grants one scholarship for Master’s studies in India to a member of every cohort graduating from RTC.
- Additional certificate courses are available for RTC students, for an edge in the job market.



### SPORTS

Games and sports promote healthy physical activity and develop social connections among students. The college has some of the best sporting facilities in the country with:

- A full-length Football field (also used for cricket)
- Indoor and outdoor Basketball courts
- Table tennis / Badminton court
- Volleyball court
- Archery / Khuru field
- Futsal pitch/ Lawn tennis court
- Fitness centre/ Gym

### ON-CAMPUS JOBS

A wide range of on-campus job opportunities are available for students such as:

- IT assistants
- Resident assistants
- Library assistants
- Student Interns

These on-campus jobs come with reduced or waived college fees and/or a stipend. They give you the experience and skills you need to build your future.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

The College annually awards over 50 scholarships based on:

- Academic excellence
- Sporting achievements
- Financial need

Please visit our website for more details.

### CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMME

In addition to its regular daytime programme, RTC offers a Continuing Education (CE) degree programme for working professionals. CE classes are conducted in the evenings and on Saturdays to allow students to continue their regular day time jobs. The 4-year CE Programme is equivalent to the regular full-time bachelors programmes, as the candidates undergo the same number of contact hours and follow the same curriculum.



### DISTINGUISHED GUEST LECTURE SERIES

RTC regularly hosts a Guest Lecture Series in which distinguished personalities from within Bhutan and around the world give talks and interact with the students, faculty, and staff.

These talks enable you to:

- Listen and engage with recognized leaders from various professions
- Gain exposure to a wide variety of ideas
- Share your views with influential individuals

In the past, religious leaders, government ministers, diplomats, business executives, academics, writers, artists and social workers have all participated in these interactive sessions.

### LIVE ON CAMPUS OR AT HOME

#### Student Life – Accommodation and Other Facilities

The college provides a secure and pleasant living environment for about 600 students who reside on campus in the 10 residence halls. Rooms are shared by 2 to 4 students. Laundry, hot water facilities, and a common room with TV and lounge are available in each residence hall. For day scholars, a frequent city bus service is available between RTC and Thimphu.

### College Facilities Include:

- Wi-Fi coverage over the entire campus around the clock
- Fully equipped IT labs with high-speed internet connections
- A well-stocked library
- Excellent sporting facilities
- On-campus Infirmary and health services
- Canteen and dining facilities
- On-campus convenience store
- 4G Telecom services
- Counselling services



Distinguished Guest Lecture : His Excellency Jaideep Sarkar, The Indian Ambassador to Bhutan



### ACADEMICS

RTC has well-equipped, modern infrastructure for an effective teaching-learning experience. Led by highly qualified and experienced faculty from numerous countries, students are offered an international-style learning environment, including lectures, group discussions, presentations, and field work. In addition, the college also provides services focusing on:

- Life skills development, including oral and written communication
- IT and overall analytical skills
- Advising, mentoring, tutoring and career counselling services for securing good jobs

*Students and parents can stay up-to-date on students’ academic performance at any time through our unique online student results portal.*

### Academic Calendar

Semester	Period	Duration
Fall Semester	Late July to Early December	17 weeks
Spring Semester	Late February to Early July	17 weeks

### Adjusting to College Life & Expectations

In the first semester, in addition to regular classes, all 1st year students participate in RTC’s innovative module, *Orientation to College Learning (OCL)*, which emphasizes improving competency in written and spoken English and developing an independent/analytical frame of mind. This module also helps students learn to manage their time efficiently and to be well-prepared for college-level learning. In addition, the module creates awareness on drugs and alcohol issues as well as encouraging responsible social behavior.

Several programmes also offer bridge courses to incoming students in July to help them better prepare for various subjects related to their academic programmes of study.



Graduating Class of 2017

### ADMISSIONS

Admission to RTC is conducted on a rolling basis after the declaration of the Bhutan Class XII results each year in January. Academic achievement in high school is the primary consideration. However, RTC also takes into account other factors such as participation in extra-curricular activities, recognized personal achievements, aptitude, leadership potential and references. RTC is looking for students who are not only academically strong but who are also well-rounded and highly motivated.

International students who are interested in attending RTC should contact the International Relations Office at [iro@rtc.bt](mailto:iro@rtc.bt)

### APPLY EARLY & SECURE THE PROGRAMME OF YOUR CHOICE

Apply early, because there are limited seats in each of the programmes, and also limited places in the residence halls. RTC starts accepting applications soon after the declaration of the BHSEC results in January.

### APPLY NOW

- Application guidelines are available on the RTC website at [www.rtc.bt](http://www.rtc.bt)
- Apply online: Complete the online form available at [www.rtc.bt](http://www.rtc.bt)
- Apply in person: Visit the Admissions Office at our campus in Ngabiphu.

For any further queries on admissions, please send us an email at [admission@rtc.bt](mailto:admission@rtc.bt) or [info@rtc.bt](mailto:info@rtc.bt)/call +975-17982500/+975-02-351801/351802/351808 or visit us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/RoyalThimphuCollege>

*Come and discover your best, do your best and live your best!*

