

# Rhodes Scholarship

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| <b>Purpose</b>             | Started in 1902 by the will of Cecil Rhodes to <i>improve the world through the diffusion of leaders motivated to serve their contemporaries.</i>   |
| <b>Award</b>               |   |
| <i>Tenable</i>             | University of Oxford. Almost any major that Oxford offers (some limitations are outlined in the <i>Memorandum of Regulations</i> ). Most students choose to pursue a graduate degree, but pursuing a second BA/BS is possible.  |
| <i>Number &amp; Amount</i> | 32 awards annually in the United States. Awards are also allotted to various other countries as well though. Several awards designated for citizens of any country. All fees at Oxford. Stipend for living expenses. Travel expenses to and from Oxford.  |
| <i>Duration</i>            | Three years with the possibility for a fourth (especially for DPhil candidates).  |
| <b>Eligibility</b>         |   |
| <i>Who</i>                 | US citizens, DACA students, and permanent residents OR resident of other Rhodes-awarding country. Must be at least 18 but not yet 24 on October 1 in your year of application. Or, if you completed or will complete your first degree after October 1 of the prior year, you are eligible to apply if you are not yet 27 on October 1 in the year of application. BA/BS completed before starting at Oxford. Minimum 3.7 GPA.  |
| <i>When</i>                | Apply for the campus nomination as a junior or senior (or recent alum if you are still young enough).   |
| <i>Selection Criteria</i>  | Notable accomplishments and potential. Evince leadership and high aspirations. Good essay that includes strong rationale for study at Oxford. Athletics no longer central focus but applicants should still evince fitness and vigor. Strong, detailed references are important. Academic excellence is expected. Scholars are chosen after a regional interview. There are two winners per region.   |
| <b>Campus Deadline</b>     | In May. Kansas State typically nominates two to four applicants.  |
| <b>National Deadline</b>   | Nominees apply nationally at the beginning of October.  |
| <b>Application</b>         | Online application. Essay of 1000 words or less that explains your academic and career goals (including your plan at Oxford). Resume. Five to eight letters of reference. Transcripts. Campus endorsement. Photo and proof of citizenship.  |
| <b>Contact</b>             | Beth Powers is the Rhodes Faculty Representative. She can be reached in 207 Leadership Studies or at <a href="mailto:bethpowers@ksu.edu">bethpowers@ksu.edu</a> or (785) 532-3422.  |
| <b>Other</b>               | <p>The different system at Oxford often requires time and advice as you construct your plan of study. Beth can advise you in this capacity.</p> <p>More information is available at <a href="http://www.rhodesscholar.org">www.rhodesscholar.org</a>. Students interested in the Rhodes should also look at the Marshall, Gates Cambridge and Fulbright.</p> <p>The details above primarily reference the U.S. application process. Some variations may exist in the competition within other countries. Use this website to direct you to the appropriate details: <a href="http://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/scholarships/apply">www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/scholarships/apply</a>.</p> |

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