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The Rhodes Scholar Experience
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The Rhodes Scholarship is a fully funded postgraduate award which enables young people from around the world, to study at the University of Oxford.
What do you study at the University of Oxford?

You can study loads of different things! Here are just a few examples...

- Environmental Change and Management
- Computer Science
- Musculoskeletal Sciences
- Literature and Arts
- Geography and the Environment
- International Development
- Biodiversity, Conservation and Management
- Law
- Music Composition
- Historical Studies
- Fine Art
- Cuneiform Studies
- Chemistry
- African Studies
- Economics
- Astrophysics

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Unlike other Oxford University Students you'll have Rhodes House...

Rhodes House is where the Registrar, the Dean and the Warden are based!

Rhodes House hosts talks, seminars and forums.

There are study spaces, libraries and social events where you will meet other Rhodies.

My first year at Oxford has been a whirlwind of sunshine, rain, wind and snow...In retrospect I can say that I enjoyed exam season, it really brought me closer to my community here at Oxford and made me call Rhodes House home as I spent most of my days in Roseberry studying, napping and procrastinating.

Maitha AlMemari (UAE & University 2018)
What do we look for in a Rhodes Scholar?

- Ambition for impact, clarity of purpose, and intrinsic motivation. A commitment to make a difference for good in the world.
- Academic achievement and excellence.
- The courage and skills required to lead with a wider desire for public good.
Are you Eligible?

- Each applicant must fulfil the citizenship and residency requirements of the Rhodes constituency for which they are applying.

- Age limits vary between constituencies, ranging between 19 up to a maximum of 27 years.

- You must have completed, or be in the processing of completing, an undergraduate degree with a GPA of 3.7 out of 4 or higher, or the equivalent academic level in your country.
What do you need?

- Birth Certificate
- Passport
- Transcript
- Evidence of Residence
- CV
- Head and Shoulders Photo
- Personal Statement
- Evidence of English Proficiency
The Application Process

Application Opening and Closing: June - September
Rhodes Interview and Selection: October - December
Oxford Application: January - March
Arrive in Oxford: September
We welcome applications from talented young persons of diverse backgrounds. Selection is made without regard to gender, gender identity, marital status, sexual orientation, race, ethnic origin, colour, religion, social background, caste, or disability.

Myth Number One
I’m not the type of person who can win a Rhodes Scholarship.
Academic ability is important as you will need to be able to gain entry to the University of Oxford; however, equally important is your commitment to serve others.
Myth Number Three

I can’t apply because my country is not listed as a Rhodes constituency.

We now offer two Global Scholarships for anyone who does not meet the existing selection criteria for the current Rhodes constituencies.
Myth Number Four

You have to have done months of volunteer work abroad or started your own NGO.

As long as you demonstrate that you have worked to improve the lives of others, is what counts. It can be done in a multitude of ways in your own neighbourhood. You will also need to be able to talk in the interview about what you hope to do in the future.
Today's Rhodes Scholars include Presidents and Prime Ministers, but also medical researchers, social workers, artists, journalists, lawyers, teachers, activists, poets, doctors and many more!

Myth Number Five

Most Scholars end up as political leaders.
What is the Rhodes experience like?

"I am exceedingly grateful for the opportunity to study at the University of Oxford. I have made many lovely friends amongst the Rhodes community, as well as in my classes and college."
Jean Balchin (New Zealand & Trinity 2018)

"Rhodes House has afforded me the opportunity to make lifelong friendships with great minds from diverse backgrounds, from whom I have learned so much."
Emmanuelle Dankwa (West Africa & St Peter's 2018)

"The thing I enjoyed the most about Rhodes House was how so many Scholars from so many different backgrounds are put together, forcing us to embrace our differences and learn from each other's cultures."
Xilin Jiang (China & University 2017)

"I am grateful to be a part of the Rhodes community because it is an intellectually stimulating environment that helps me better understand political and social issues outside of my discipline."
Ian Sander (Prairies and St Peter's 2018)
Welcome Week introduces you to Oxford, Rhodes House, and other Rhodes Scholars! With fun social activities, as well as interesting workshops, it's designed to make you feel at home in your new city.

What makes the Rhodes Scholarship Unique?

You join a warm and inclusive community of Rhodes Scholars from across the world. "Once a Rhodes Scholar, always a Rhodes Scholar."

Attending Scholar Talks and Forums at Rhodes House, where you can meet and listen to world leading experts.

You take part in retreats that will help you develop and work on your character, service and leadership skills.

Rhodes Scholar Christmas Dinner, Going Down & Coming Up Dinner, Rhodes Ball.

Find out more at...

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Yoga and Mindfulness Courses.
WHAT IS THE RHODES SCHOLARSHIP?

The Rhodes Trust funds over 100 Scholars per year.

We select young leaders of outstanding intellect and character, who are motivated to engage with global challenges.

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USEFUL LINKS & INFORMATION

- Application Overview - Rhodes Scholars share their top tips on eligibility, course choice, personal statement, reference letters, social engagement and the final interview in this video series, available on YouTube or at the hyperlink!

- Connect with us on Social Media! With Rhodes Scholar takeovers and videos about the application process, it’s a great place to find out more about the Rhodes Trust and our Rhodes Scholars. Either by scanning the QR Code with your camera, or find us at the channels below.

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