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What is the Rhodes Scholarship?



- Established in 1902, the Rhodes Scholarship is the oldest and perhaps most prestigious international scholarship programme in the world.
- It is a fully-funded postgraduate award which enables talented young people from around the world to study full-time at the University of Oxford.
- Rhodes Scholars come to the UK for two or more years and can apply to study most full-time postgraduate courses in almost any field offered by the University of Oxford.

University of Oxford
postgraduate courses



Courses covered by the
Rhodes Scholarship



What is the Rhodes Scholarship?



- The Rhodes Scholarship is merit-based, with the purpose of developing public-spirited leaders, and to promote international understanding and peace through an international community of Scholars.
- There is no such thing as a 'type' when considering who gets selected.
- Today's Rhodes Scholars include medical researchers, social workers, Presidents, Prime Ministers, artists, journalists, lawyers, teachers, activists, poets, doctors and many more!

Find out more about
current Scholars and
Alumni achievements:



What does the Rhodes Scholarship cover?



- Following selection for the Scholarship, the Rhodes Trust will cover the fee required to apply to study at the University of Oxford, as well as your course (and college) fees.
- The Rhodes Scholarship also provides an annual stipend to cover living costs, including accommodation and food.
- The Trust will cover the fee for a Tier 4 study visa and the associated International Health Surcharge (IHS).
- We cover two economy class flights - to and from the UK - for the beginning and end of studies in Oxford. On arrival in Oxford, Scholars also receive a settling in allowance.



What makes the Scholarship Unique?



In addition to your college and department, you will also have Rhodes House

- This is where the Warden, the Registrar and our dedicated Scholar Team are based. They are present to support you and help ensure your academic, professional and personal success.
- It has study spaces, a library, a café and communal spaces where you will meet other Scholars.
- Rhodes House hosts talks, seminars and forums with world-leading experts, academics and guests.
- Scholars also attend social events such as the Coming Up Dinner and the Rhodes Ball.





What makes the Scholarship Unique?

Character, Service and Leadership Programme (CSLP)

This is the flagship programme at the core of the Rhodes Scholar experience, providing many different and varied opportunities to learn, connect, and engage across three key areas:

1. Understanding yourself and your values
2. Building community with others
3. Navigating your own path through the world, beginning with your journey at Oxford

Some highlights of the Scholar Programming include:

- Welcome Week
- First and Second Year CSLP Retreats
- Skills workshop sessions
- Speaker series
- Weekly discussions on global challenges
- And more!



What makes the Scholarship Unique?



The Rhodes Community: A lifelong fellowship

- From the moment you are selected, you will be welcomed into a global, lifelong community of Rhodes Scholars, Alumni, and Fellows from our partnership programmes.
- Beyond gaining access to a powerful professional network, you will connect with thoughtful, kind and ambitious individuals from around the world, collectively striving to drive progress.



"One of the things I was most excited about is that idea of the Rhodes community and the fellowship that exists beyond this degree that I'll have with me for life. It's access to some of the greatest minds in the world, the leading researchers in different fields. And as an artist, it's amazing to have that kind of network set up for you."

*Joel Nichols
Canada*



What makes the Scholarship Unique?



You will study at the University of Oxford

- The University of Oxford consistently ranks among the top universities globally.
- You will have access to world-leading academic departments covering a wide range of disciplines.
- You will be part of an interdisciplinary college community with outstanding social, sports and cultural facilities.

More reasons to
choose Oxford for your
postgraduate studies:



"Words cannot do justice to the experience of being a student at this great university, reading from the historic Bodleian libraries, and working alongside some of the brightest minds in the world. If you are reading this, and considering to be the next Rhodes Scholar, I wish to tell you that you are more than qualified, that you should stop second guessing yourself, and put forward a strong application."

Daniel Mwendwa
Kenya





Are you eligible?

Each year, 100+ Rhodes Scholarships are awarded to students from 25 constituencies (country or group of countries):

Australia

Bermuda

Canada

China

Commonwealth Caribbean

East Africa

Germany

Global

Hong Kong

India

Israel

Jamaica

Kenya

Malaysia

New Zealand

Pakistan

Saudi Arabia

Singapore

Southern Africa

Syria, Jordan, Lebanon & Palestine (SJLP)

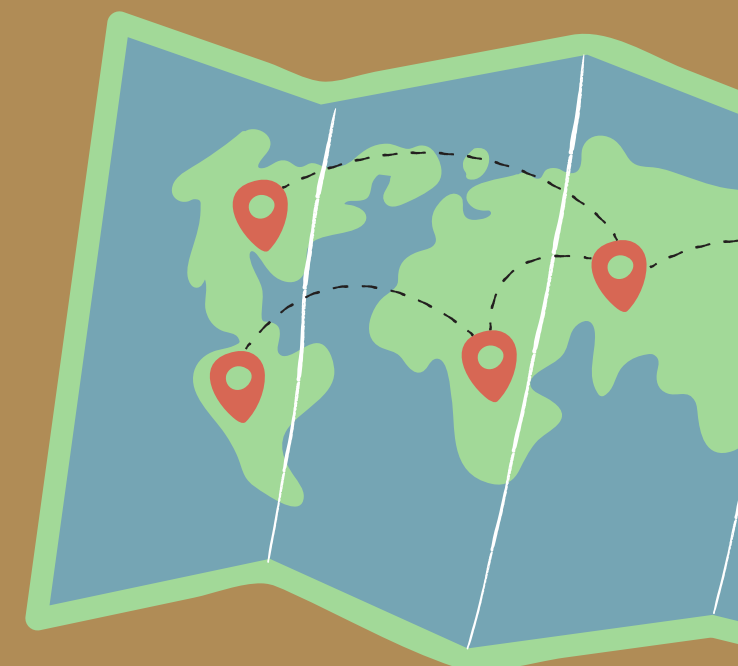
United Arab Emirates

United States

West Africa

Zambia

Zimbabwe



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 18 to 24 years and up to a maximum of 27 years in exceptional circumstances.
- ✓ You must have completed an undergraduate degree (usually a Bachelor's) by July 2026, and you must have an academic background and grade that – at a minimum — meets or exceeds the specific entry requirements of your chosen course at the University of Oxford.

Candidates will have a higher chance of successful admission to University of Oxford if they have:

- A first class Honours degree or equivalent, or,
- GPA of 3.7/4.0 or higher



University of Oxford
postgraduate
courses



Equivalent international
qualifications

Could you be a Rhodes Scholar?



Rhodes Scholars come from all backgrounds, and we welcome applications from talented young people everywhere.

Academic achievement
and excellence

Energy to use one's
talents to the full

(as demonstrated by mastery
in areas such as sports, music,
debate, dance, theatre, and
artistic pursuits, particularly
where teamwork is involved)

**What do we look for
in a candidate?**

Truth, courage, devotion to duty,
sympathy for and protection of the
weak, kindness, unselfishness and
fellowship.

The courage and skills required
to lead with a wider desire for
public good.



What do you need?



**Birth
Certificate**



Passport



Transcript



**Evidence of
Residence**



**Personal
Statement**



CV/Resume



**Evidence of
English Language
Proficiency**



**Head and
Shoulders Photo**

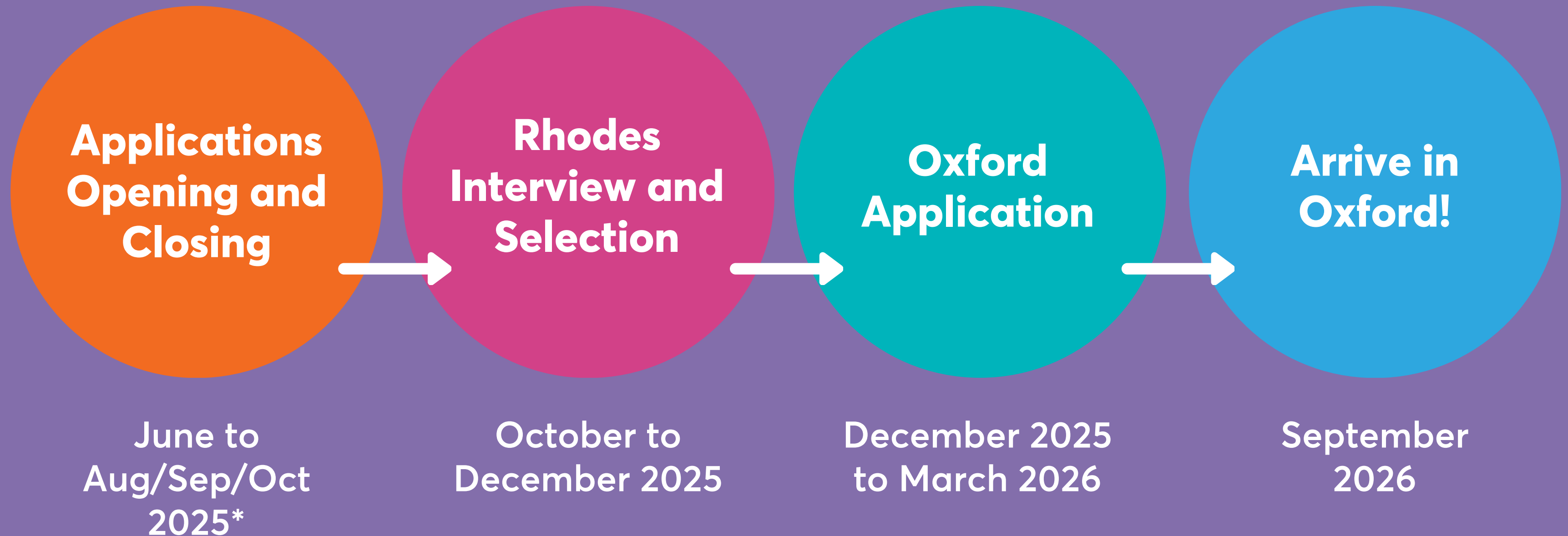


**Reference
Letters**



**Academic
Statement**

The Application Process



*Note: exact dates vary between constituencies

Check your eligibility and apply!



Find out more about the Scholarship
and apply by visiting our website:

www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/apply



Follow us on social media!

Our social media channels are a great place
to learn more about the Scholarship.



Join our broadcast channel on Instagram

To keep track of key application dates, access
useful resources, and learn more about the
experiences of current Rhodes Scholars.





Good luck!