In order to apply for the Rhodes scholarship, you must earn the institutional nomination from the UNM CAELD office. To be considered, submit the UNM Preliminary Application by 11:59 pm, March 10, 2024.

I. Eligibility
- Be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or DACA grantee
- AGE:
  1. You must be aged 18-23 on October 1, 2024, OR
  2. You must be under the age of 27 on October 1, 2024, AND you must also have completed your first undergraduate degree on or after October 1, 2023
- Have a bachelor’s degree from UNM by July 1, 2025
- Have competitive GPA (minimum 3.70/4.0)

II. Awards
- All educational costs, such as matriculation, tuition, laboratory and certain other fees
- The necessary costs of travel to and from Oxford.

III. Criteria
Four standards by which prospective Rhodes Scholars should be judged:
1. ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE
2. ENERGY TO USE YOUR TALENTS TO THE FULL as demonstrated by success in areas such as sports, music, debate, dance, theatre, and artistic pursuits, including where teamwork is involved.
3. TRUTH, COURAGE, DEVOTION TO DUTY, sympathy for and protection of the weak, kindliness, unselfishness and fellowship.
4. MORAL FORCE OF CHARACTER and instincts to lead, and to take an interest in your fellow human beings.

IV. Online Application (After UNM nomination)
- Your personal details and education history including your university transcripts
- The course(s) you would like to study at the University of Oxford
- A CV
- Essays: An Academic Statement & A Personal Statement
- A total of at least five, but not more than eight, referees

VII. Personal Statement of no more than 750 words.
In your personal statement of 750 words, we ask you to address each of the following prompts (the word allocation across the three is up to you). The three prompts are set within the Rhodes leadership development framework that informs the Scholar Programme at Rhodes House in Oxford. They ask you to consider your candidacy for and the opportunity of the Scholarship within three interrelated spheres in your own voice: ‘self, others, and world’:

1st “self”: Which Rhodes Scholar quality do you display most strongly, and how are different contexts and people helping you to develop the other qualities? – engage us on which of the Rhodes selection
criteria you best exemplify. We do not expect you to be the ‘finished product’; we also want to hear how you intend to evolve.

2nd “others”: What would you like to learn from and contribute to the Rhodes community in Oxford? – share with us what you want to learn from and contribute to the Rhodes community, and how you hope to grow as a person and support the growth of others while at Oxford.

3rd “world”: From your place in the world, how will you use your energies and talents to address humanity’s pressing challenges? – make this personal, not generic. We anticipate your particular reflections on what is missing in society and the world today. Considering the complexities of the challenges that we are facing as humanity, we are seeking in Rhodes Scholars people who aspire to and will take action. Tell us what you imagine might be your way of making a contribution.

VIII. Selection Process

UNM Preliminary Application
1. March 10, 2024 – Deadline of the UNM Preliminary Online Application (submit by 11:59 pm)
2. Mid-April – UNM Finalists Announced
3. Late April – UNM Finalists Interview

After UNM Nomination
1. June – August – work on Online Application
2. September 25 – All recommendation letters should be submitted by your recommenders.
3. Early October - Application Deadline
4. Mid-November - Finalists Interview (about 10-12 finalists from Colorado, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah & Wyoming)

Previous Rhodes Scholars

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<td>1968</td>
<td>American politician, 42nd President of the United States, 1993–2001</td>
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<td>Nicholas D. Kristof</td>
<td>1981</td>
<td>New York Times reporter and columnist, 2-time Pulitzer Prize winner</td>
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<td>George Stephanopoulos</td>
<td>1984</td>
<td>Moderator of ABC’s This Week and communications director for Bill Clinton’s 1992 presidential campaign</td>
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<td>Naomi Wolf</td>
<td>1985</td>
<td>American author and feminist social critic</td>
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<td>Rachel Maddow</td>
<td>1995</td>
<td>Host of The Rachel Maddow Show on MSNBC, Social Activist</td>
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<td>Cyrus Habib</td>
<td>2003</td>
<td>Member of the Washington State House of Representatives. Youngest Iranian-American elected to state office</td>
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<td>Pete Buttigieg</td>
<td>2005</td>
<td>2020 Candidate for the Democratic Nomination for President, Mayor of South Bend, IN</td>
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<td>Andy Kim</td>
<td>2005</td>
<td>US Representative for New Jersey</td>
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<td>Myron Rolle</td>
<td>2008</td>
<td>All-ACC Defensive back for Florida State Seminoles; selected by NFL Tennessee Titans in the 6th round of the 2010 draft</td>
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