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, 2022.

I. Eligibility
- Be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or DACA grantee
- AGE: Upon October 1, 2022,
  (1) you must be at least 18 and have not reached your 24th birthday OR
  (2) You must have not reached your 27th birthday AND you completed your first undergraduate degree on or after October 1, 2021.
- Have a bachelor’s degree from UNM before October 1, 2023
- Have competitive GPA (minimum 3.70)

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:
- Academic excellence
- Energy to use your talents to the full (as demonstrated by mastery in areas such as sports, music, debate, dance, theatre, and artistic pursuits, including where teamwork is involved).
- Truth, courage, devotion to duty, sympathy for and protection of the weak, kindliness, unselfishness and fellowship.
- Moral force of character and instincts to lead, and to take an interest in your fellow human beings.

IV. Online Application (After UNM nomination)
1. Personal & Education Information
2. Proposed Course of Study at Oxford
3. College Official Transcript(s)
4. CV/Resume: Include details about academic qualifications, prizes, scholarships, positions of leadership, employment positions, involvement in student, voluntary, community or political activities and any cultural, musical or sporting accomplishments. (Max two pages with a minimum 10 pt font)
5. A digital or scanned photograph: This should be a head and shoulders photograph, color or black/ white. This will be used on the Rhodes webpage if you are selected.
6. A copy of your passport (preferable, if available), birth certificate, or other proof of age and citizenship.
7. Letters of Recommendation: All applicants are required to provide five to eight letters of recommendation. Four should be academics who have formally taught and graded you in your undergraduate studies.
VII. Essays

1. An academic statement of study of no more than 750 words.
   Tell us your reasons for wishing to study at the University of Oxford, what your first and second choice courses of study are, and why you wish to pursue them. It is important that you have a firm idea of which course / courses are viable for you to study at the University of Oxford.

2. A personal statement of no more than 1,000 words.
   The personal statement is your chance to tell your story in your own voice: Who are you? What matters to you? What are you hoping to do in the world? Your academic transcript and academic statement of study, your curriculum vitae, and your reference letters will provide the substantive detail of your commitments and accomplishments, but this essay gives you the opportunity to cast the overarching narrative for the selection committee. Please ensure that your personal statement:
   a. Addresses your general interests and activities. What inspires you? What are your passions?
   b. Discusses your aims and priorities and the contributions you have made and hope to make to the world and/or communities of which you are part.

VIII. Selection Process

UNM Preliminary Application
1. March 10, 2022 – 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. November 19-20 - Finalists Interview (about 10-12 finalists from Colorado, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah & Wyoming)
5. November 18-19 - American students will be selected as Rhodes Scholars

Previous Rhodes Scholars

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<th>Year</th>
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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>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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