UK Scholarships Information Session
Rhodes, Marshall, and Mitchell Scholarships
Contact information

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Eligibility

1. Are you U.S. citizen or PR?

2. Are you receiving a bachelor’s degree by August 2019?

3. How old are you?
   • Rhodes – not yet 24 on 10/1
   • Mitchell – not yet 30 on 9/29
   • Marshall – earned first UG degree after April 2017

4. Do you have a competitive GPA?
Common Criteria

• Academic excellence
• Leadership potential
• Community engagement
• Clear academic & career goals
• Contribution to social change
Awards

• Tuition & Fees
• Living expenses
• Travel to and from the United States
• Research Funding
Rhodes Scholarship

- Rhodes – Oxford University
- Rhodes – Charismatic personality, Change agent in the society (Flight the world’s fight)
- 5-8 recommendation letters
- Personal Statement (1,000 Words) & Activity List
- 32 awards (2500 applicants, 880 endorsed)
  - 10-12 finalists in each of 16 districts
  - District 13 – Colorado, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming
  - Interview 11/22-23 in Salt Lake City, UT
Dr. Manuel Montoya
Rhodes Scholar

Katarina Pacheco
2015 Rhodes Finalist
Marshall Scholarship

- 36 Partnership Universities + Oxford/Cambridge
- Some restricted program choices
- Academic oriented, Changing agent in your field, contribution to **US-UK relation**
- Four essays in application
- 4 academic recommendation letters
- 40 awards (1,000 applicants)
  - Finalists interview in early November in Houston (Arkansas, Colorado, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Wyoming)
Jacob Wellman
2014 Marshall Scholar

Ryan Roco
2015 Marshall Scholar
Research UK schools

Which college/university?

What program?
  - Taught vs. Research courses
  - Duration of programs
Mitchell Scholarship

• 11 universities in Ireland and Northern Ireland
• Scholarship/Leadership/Commitment to community and public service
• Personal statement & online interview
• 4 recommendation letters
• 12 awards (about 300 applicants)
  – 30 semi-finalists (Skype Interviews)
  – 20 finalists (11/22-23 in DC)
UK Universities Calendar

University of Oxford
Michaelmas: October 11 – December 5, 2020
Hilary: January 17 – March 13, 2021
Trinity: April 25 – June 19, 2021

Cambridge University
Michaelmas: October 6 – December 4, 2020
Lent: January 19 – March 19, 2021
Easter: April 27 – June 18, 2021
UNM Preliminary application

Personal Statement (1000 words)

• Who am I?
• Who do I want to be?
• What issue am I passionate about? Why?
• What kind of contribution do I want to make, and how?
• What drives/motivates me?
• Why does it make sense for me to study at the specific school in UK?
Rhodes Rule & Mitchell too

“I attest that this essay is my own work and is wholly truthful. Neither it nor any earlier draft has been edited by anyone other than me, nor has anyone else reviewed it to provide me with suggestions to improve it. I understand that any such editing or review would disqualify my application.”

"I am knowledgeable regarding the institutional practices of the University of New Mexico in connection with applications for the Rhodes Scholarship. To the best of my knowledge and belief, UNM has provided no editorial review of the applicant's essay."
Resume/Activity List

2 pages max

- Leadership experience
- Research experience
- Service experience
- Professional experience
- Organizations/Affiliations
- Awards/Recollections
UNM Preliminary application

Deadline:
11:59 pm, March 10 (Sunday)

Online Application Form
https://nisf.unm.edu/prestigious-scholarships/uk-scholarships/uk-application-form.php
UNM Nomination process

• March 10: UNM Preliminary App. Due
• March 11- April 2: Application reviewed by UNM selection committee
• Early April: UNM Finalists announced
• Mid-April: Finalists Interview
  – 20-minute interview with UNM selection committee
• Last day of the interview: Announce the UNM Nominees
Once you become Nominees

• May: Confirm your recommenders
• June – August: work on your essays & complete application forms
• September: Mock Interview
• Early October: Scholarship deadlines
Future applicants

- P.A.S.S.
- Faculty members
- Internship Opportunities
- Honors College & Programs
- Honor Society (Phi Beta Kappa & Phi Kappa Phi)
Future Scholarships

Friday, April 5, 2:00-3:00 pm
• Fulbright Scholarship (US citizens only)

Friday, April 19, 2:00-3:00 pm
• Gates Cambridge Scholarship
• Schwarzman Scholars Program
• Knight-Hennesssey Scholars Program