The Rhodes Trust
A CENTURY OF VALUES-BASED LEADERSHIP
BEST YOUNG GLOBAL TALENT APPLY TO THE RHODES SCHOLARSHIP

- Huge reach: leading aspiration for graduates across the world
- More than 12,000 applications for 100+ Scholarships per year
- The ‘Nobel Prize for 23 year olds’

PROVEN SELECTION PROCESS IDENTIFYING SECTOR TALENT WITH LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL

- 15,000 hours invested in selection each year by 60 committees worldwide
- Expert and wide-ranging selection committee members
- Constantly improving best practice approaches

LIFELONG CONNECTION TO PURPOSE

- Global network 5000 strong with online platform for Scholars
- Peer to peer guidance, mentoring and support for change programmes
- Convening to support collaborative problem solving across topic areas

OXFORD UNIVERSITY PLUS VALUES-BASED CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

- International postgraduate education model at world renowned top 5 university
- Transformative retreats to examine models of service & leadership and building a life of impact
- Skills workshops, speaker series and internships
The Rhodes Scholarships have selected talent and developed people of influence to ‘Fight the World’s Fight’ for over 100 Years

**Time tested criteria for the selection of future leaders:**

1. Literary and scholastic attainments
2. Energy to develop one’s talents to the full, as demonstrated in sports, debate, music, dance, etc
3. Caring for others: 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

We have developed great expertise for identifying those with verve, energy and authenticity – those who will make a difference for future generations.

~60 committees worldwide, ~500 volunteers
The Rhodes Trust and the University of Oxford are closely connected

The University of Oxford

- Oldest university in the English-speaking world, with teaching originating in 1096.
- Oxford has been rated number one in the UK for the quality of its research (Research Excellence Framework (REF)).
- Ranked number one in the world for medical sciences. Oxford is also ranked in the top ten globally in life sciences, physical sciences, social sciences and humanities.
- Over 22,000 students at Oxford: 11,703 undergraduates and 10,173 graduate students. They study at 38 Colleges.

The University of Oxford offers a unique experience to graduate students, including the opportunity to work with leading academics and with some of the very best libraries, laboratories, museums and collections worldwide.
Rhodes Scholars pursue a variety of academic programmes and extracurricular activities at Oxford

**Examples**

**Academics**

**BA**: Second bachelor’s degree in area of interest
- Politics, Philosophy and Economics

**MSc**: 1-year Master’s programme, that can be paired with a second 1-year degree
- Master of Public Policy
- MSc Social Science of the Internet
- MSc International Health and Tropical Medicine

**MPhil**: 2-year Master’s programme with thesis component
- MPhil in Politics
- MPhil in Theology

**DPhil**: 3-4 doctoral programme with significant thesis component; areas of research include:
- Machine Learning
- Primary Care

**Rhodes groups**

**Special interest groups organized by Rhodes Scholars** to engage with issues locally and globally:
- Rhodes LGBTQ Forum
- Rhodes Artificial Intelligence Lab
- Rhodes Women
- Rhodes Climate Change Group
- Rhodes Wellness Group
- Rhodes Scholars South Africa Forum

**Oxford activities**

Oxford offers over 200 societies and 85 sports clubs including:
- **Oxford Union**: World’s most prestigious debating society, bringing in international speakers every week
- **Oxford Entrepreneurs**: Europe’s largest entrepreneurship society
- **Oxford 3D Printing Society**: Workshops, discussion groups and networking events for 3D printing
Mission of the Rhodes Trust

The world's challenges require ethical, energetic and innovative leaders in every sphere. The Rhodes Trust’s vision is to develop these leaders and help them make a global impact.

The Rhodes Scholarship is the world’s oldest and most effective leadership development programme. The model is proven over 113 years of success and is constantly being enhanced to reflect 21st century needs. Rhodes Scholars around the world today are well known advocates for expanded social justice, medical innovation and scientific breakthroughs. Nearly 8000 Rhodes Scholars have advanced the frontiers of human knowledge and have served at the forefront of government, science, medicine, research, commerce, the arts, education, social and environmental organisations and other sectors.
The Service & Leadership Programme is for current Scholars, and is based at Rhodes House, our own facility in the centre of Oxford. It has as its objectives to encourage Scholars to develop a lifelong commitment to lead and serve others, whatever their chosen field. In addition, it seeks to equip Scholars with the practical skills and tools to craft a life of purpose, meaning and balance.
Skills Workshops

**Leadership workshop - Knowing yourself: your leadership style and impact on others:** In this workshop, Rhodes Scholars have a chance to explore their leadership styles and how they come across to others. They will complete psychometric questionnaires such as the Myers Briggs and the Enneagram.

**Public speaking workshop:** Scholars of all backgrounds learn how to speak engagingly, yet also with gravitas.

**Problem solving workshop:** Includes content on how to define a problem, how to develop logic trees, how to undertake critical analysis and how to eventually communicate the end result most effectively.

**Writing for impact workshop:** You might have a terrific idea for a new theory, a novel business concept, or a valuable opinion on a global issue. However, without the ability to persuade others through your writing, the overall impact will be in question.

**Media Training:** This session is based on role-play and practical techniques to show how to prepare key messages and take control of the interview, as well as demystifying the media.
Global Challenges Discussions

Scholars are encouraged to look at a problem from many different angles. The sessions are led by the Warden, by a current Scholar or by an invited speaker.

Recent topics include:

- **Causes and Cures for economic inequality:** What causes wealth disparity and what can practically be done to combat it on a local and global level? Does history have anything to teach us?

- **Big Data:** Is Big Data a powerful tool for change, or an instrument for social control? How should data be protected globally?

- **Human Population Growth:** What does a growing world population mean for food, the environment and education?

- **Should All Drugs be Legal?** What position do you think governments should take?

- **Religion and Spirituality Today:** What is the value of religion and/or spirituality? Is the rise in popularity of mindfulness an indication that spirituality still matters to people?

- **LGBTQ Forum:** Consider the plight of LGBTQ communities worldwide – where and how might we have a positive impact?
The Rhodes Scholarship in Canada/Ontario: The basics (1/2)

What is the Rhodes Scholarship?
- A 1- to 3-year scholarship – tenable only at Oxford University – for 20+ constiuencies around the globe (100+ scholars globally/year)
- Established by the terms of the will of Cecil Rhodes and governed by the Rhodes Trust, Oxford; John McCall-MacBain is the “Second Century Founder”
- Mission: To bring together future leaders to further peace and prosperity and “fight the world’s fight”
- For Canada, there are 11 scholarships (1-BC; 3-Prairies; 2-Ontario; 2-Quebec; 2-Maritimes; 1-Newfoundland)
- Value – ~$100,000/year

A candidate must
- Be a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident (students who are attending a Canadian university on a visa are not eligible to apply)
- Be domiciled in Canada
- Have been born between September 30, 1994 and on or before October 1, 2000
- Have received an undergraduate degree before taking up the Scholarship

What are the selection criteria?
- Scholars selected on the basis of exceptional intellectual and academic attainment, integrity of character, sympathy for and protection of the weak, ability to lead, energy to use their talents to the full
- Can apply in the region of either the student’s residency or university
- Must obtain the endorsement of the (undergraduate) university (“President’s Letter”)

1 Australia, Bermuda, Canada, China, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Israel, Jamaica & the Commonwealth Caribbean, Kenya, Malaysia, New Zealand, Pakistan, Southern Africa (including South Africa, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Namibia and Swaziland), SJLP (including Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine), United Arab Emirates, United States, West Africa (from 2018), Zambia, Zimbabwe, and 2 global scholarships for applicants from any other country
The Rhodes Scholarship in Canada/Ontario: The basics (2/2)

How does one apply?
- Online application (including proof of citizenship/residency)
- Letter of endorsement from the candidate’s university President
- Official academic transcript
- List of activities/honours
- Personal statement of intended studies at Oxford and future career (900 words) – *statement must be written by yourself*
- Six references – at least 3 academic
- Link to Memorandum for Canada for more details – available after May 30, 2018: http://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk.canada

When does one apply?
- Applications for the Rhodes Scholarship 2018 for Canada open *June 1, 2018*
- Go to http://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk.canada; click on “Apply”; click on “Canada”; click on “Application Link”
- All applications and supporting materials must be submitted by *TBC October 12, 2018* (earlier application is requested)
- Interviewees will be notified the week of *TBC November 5, 2018*

What is the selection process?
- Social meeting with the Selection Committee Friday evening, *TBC November 23, 2018* in Toronto
- Interviews Saturday *TBC November 24, 2018* in Toronto
- Scholars take up residence in ~September 2019

Dates subject to confirmation in the Memorandum for Canada (May 30, 2018)!
Prominent Canadian Rhodes Scholars

Politics and public service
- Nadine Baudot-Trajtenberg
- Allan Blakeney
- Chrystia Freeland
- David Lewis
- Roland Michener
- Rex Murphy
- Bob Rae
- John Turner
- Danny Williams

Education and health
- John Evans
- Prabhat Jha
- Ian MacDonald
- David Naylor
- Jennifer Welsh

Philanthropy
- Eric Hoskins
- Marc Kielberger
- John McArthur
- Kathleen McLaughlin

Law
- Jean Beetz
- Morris Fish
- Eileen Gillese
- Ronald Martland

Business
- Dominic Barton
- Shona Brown
- John McCall-McBain
- Patrick Pichette
- Ilse Treurnicht
Rhodes Scholars Make a Positive Contribution to the World, Generation after Generation

**Nobel Prize Winners**
- Lord Florey
- Sir John Eccles
- Michael Spence

**Innovators in Medicine**
- Eric Lander
- Atul Gawande
- Leana Wen
- Pardis Sabeti
- Sir John Bell
- Christopher Murray

**Heads of State & Government Leaders**
- Dominic Mintoff
- Roland Michener
- John Turner
- Bob Hawke
- Wasim Sajjad
- Bill Clinton
- Nancy-Ann Min DeParle
- Tony Abbott
- Malcolm Turnbull
- Susan Rice
- Sylvia Mathews Burwell
- Chrystia Freeland

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**Senior Justices**
- Edmund Herring
- Gérard La Forest
- Edwin Cameron
- Bryan White
- John Harlan II
- Eileen Gillese
- David Souter
- Wilbur Jockett

**MacArthur Genius Winners**
- Beth Shapiro
- Robert Darnton
- Eric Lander
- Peter Hessler
- Jim Collins
- Heidi Williams
I seem to be always in a rush, atop a two wheeled cycle with my college gown behind me. This is not simply a dream come true, it is surreal. But surreal is another name for Oxford, and especially the experience of a Rhodes Scholar.

Charles Masaki
Kenya & Oriel 2012

The Rhodes Scholarship has filled me with the confidence and belief that I can make a real difference in the world around me, and has continued to push me to use my talents to the full.

Joshua Chauvin
Ontario & New College 2011