Applicants should make an individual advising appointment with Alicia Hayes, Rhodes Campus Representative, as soon as possible at ourscholarships@berkeley.edu or (510) 643-6929.

Rhodes Scholarship applicants are required to obtain an institutional endorsement before applying to the Rhodes Trust. The UC Berkeley campus faculty selection committee (4-7 faculty) makes endorsement decisions for the University.

**YOU ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:**

**UK Scholarships Common Application** which includes (Available at [https://scholarships.berkeley.edu/rhodes](https://scholarships.berkeley.edu/rhodes))

- A personal statement of 1,000 words describing your academic and other interests.

  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, 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.

- **List of principle activities**

- **Transcripts from all colleges and universities you have attended.** (Unofficial copies are fine for the campus process)

- A minimum of five, but not more than eight, letters of recommendation.
  (Letters must be submitted at [https://form.jotform.com/90986231251154](https://form.jotform.com/90986231251154))

  - At least four of your referees should be academics who have formally taught and graded you in your studies and who can comment in detail on your academic ability and how well they think you would fare at Oxford.

  - At least one referee should testify to your character and/or your involvement in extra-curricular/service or leadership activities. These referees should be persons who are able to comment critically on whether you fulfil the extra-curricular, non-academic requirements of the Scholarship and who can speak in detail to your character.

  - A good referee is one who knows you well, rather than a well-known person who only knows you superficially. Please note that Rhodes Scholarship referees are not typically personal friends, contemporaries or relatives. If a referee fits into one of these categories, they should make the connection clear within the reference.

  - Choose reliable people who are likely to respond to your request for a detailed reference, as their letters will be crucial to your application. Insufficient references will disqualify your application from being considered by the Selection Committee.

**IMPORTANT:** If you are endorsed by the campus committee, your recommenders will need to submit their letters via the on-line applications. Alert your recommenders of this possibility IN ADVANCE.

The campus committee will review the application materials and select a number of candidates to nominate in mid September for the Rhodes Scholarship. Materials for endorsed candidates will be submitted to the Rhodes Trust by the October 2019 deadline.