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We are recording this session. A link to the video will be made available to you after. I also sent by email a PDF copy of the slides shortly before the session started. If you didn't receive the message, please send an email to sap@ucalgary.ca.

We will make sure to leave time for questions at the end of the session.

As questions come up, please feel free to send them to us in the Chat.

You can send questions publicly to everyone in the Chat. Or, if you'd prefer, you can send your questions privately to me. I won't reveal who has asked the question.



The Rhodes Scholarships are funded by the estate of Cecil J. Rhodes and are considered one of the oldest and most prestigious international scholarships for outstanding scholars from any academic field of study.

Rhodes Scholarships are tenable for postgraduate studies or a second bachelor's degree at Oxford University, for two years with the possible extension for a third year. The Scholarships cover all approved fees (such as matriculation, tuition, laboratory fees, and certain other set charges), in



Cecil Rhodes's will specifies four selection standards:

Literary and scholastic attainments;

Energy to use one's talents to the full, as exemplified by fondness for and success in sports, athletics, community, art, etc.;

Truth, courage, devotion to duty, sympathy for and protection of the weak, kindness, unselfishness, and fellowship; and

Moral force of character and instincts to lead, and to take an interest in one's fellow beings.

In short, Rhodes Scholarship selection committees will be seeking young people of outstanding

. The Rhodes Scholarships support students who demonstrate a strong propensity to emerge as "leaders for the world's future."



: You must be a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada. Applications from refugees/asylum seekers currently residing in Canada will also be considered in this constituency.

: You must be domiciled in Canada.

: i. You must be aged 18-23 on 1st October 2024 (i.e. you must have been born after 1 October 2000 and before 2 October 2006).

OR (for older candidates who completed their first undergraduate degree later than usual)

ii. You must be under the age of 27 on 1st October 2024 (i.e. have been born after 1 October 1997) AND you must also have completed your first undergraduate degree on



: You must have completed an undergraduate degree (usually a Bachelor's) by July 2025, and you must have an academic background and grade that - at a minimum - meets or exceeds the specific entry requirements of your chosen course at the University of Oxford (<https://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/graduate/courses/courses-a-z-listing>).

Candidates will have a higher chance of successful admission to Oxford if they have:

- A First-Class Honours Degree or equivalent, or,

- A GPA of 3.70/4.0 or higher

Please contact the National Secretary if you require further advice about academic requirements of the Scholarship.



University endorsement is required to compete for the Rhodes Scholarships in Canada. To receive endorsement, you must first submit your application to the UCalgary Rhodes Committee for review.

The deadline is August 11, 2024. The application should be submitted as a single PDF file through the [application form](#) on our website.

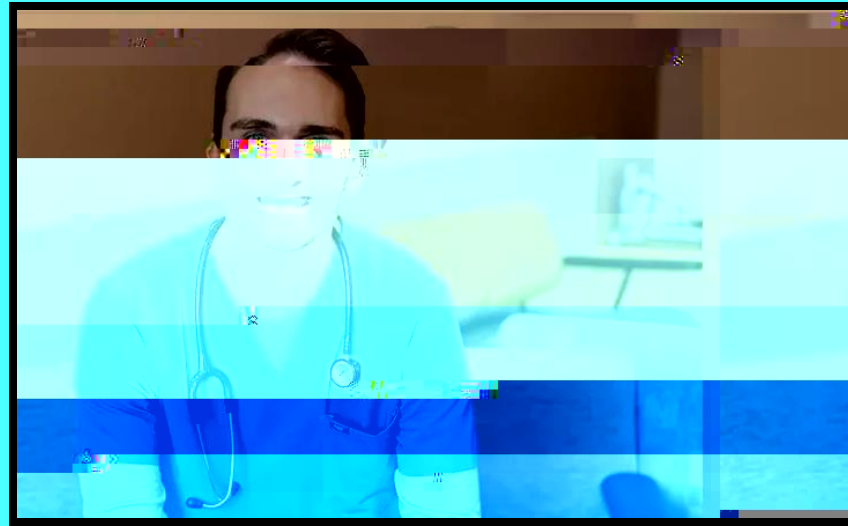


University of Calgary students are encouraged to meet with me (Dr. Jared Secord, jared.secord1@ucalgary.ca) to discuss the application.





- Academic CV (2 pages; minimum 12-point font)
- Personal Statement (no more than 1,000 words)
- Academic Statement of Study (no more than 350 words)
- 6 Reference letters (references will receive an email from the Rhodes



, 2021 Rhodes Scholar



What makes a competitive application?



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Other items to include: research and publications;
certificates; memberships and affiliations





For all candidates: list references and include professional or institutional affiliation

3 or 4 of the references need to be faculty members who have taught and graded you in your studies.

If you have a research supervisor who has not taught and graded you in a course, they can still provide an academic reference.

The other 2 or 3 references will write about your character and involvement in extra-curricular, service, or leadership activities.

Never include people to whom you are related



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Bachelors

Masters: MSc, MPhil, MSt,

Master Taught/Master Research [no third-year funding]

Master of Philosophy [possible third-year funding]

DPhil

MFE (Financial Economics) and MBA

Full details on eligible programs: [Detailed Conditions of Tenure of the Rhodes Scholarship](#)



Start your application early

Reach out to referees

Have courage to submit your application!

Rhodes Application is (likely) due before any other applications you will be submitting for graduate/professional school.

Completing Rhodes Application is a good way to get a start on all of your applications for the year.



I will be offering a workshop on CVs and Personal Statements for Scholarship Applications.

Three offerings of the same workshop:

Tuesday, July 23: 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, July 25: 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 30: 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

To book a spot, go to [Elevate](#)



Need more assistance?

Book an appointment at the Student Success Centre
through [Elevate](#)

Or email sap@ucalgary.ca with questions