

University of Miami Rhodes Scholarship Application Instructions

All applicants for the Rhodes Scholarship must receive a letter of endorsement from their home university. UM students who wish to be considered for endorsement must read the Information for Candidates and FAQs, documents on the Rhodes website (<http://www.rhodesscholar.org/>).

PLEASE READ ALL ONLINE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE CONTACTING THE OFFICE WITH QUESTIONS. Submit the following materials to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Scholarships **no later than August 10:**

- List of Principal Activities (i.e. resume or CV, no more than two pages)
- Personal Statement (750 words maximum)
- Academic statement of study (350 words maximum)
- PDF of unofficial transcript from Canelink and official copies of transcripts from other universities attended (for coursework and grades that do not appear on UM transcript). You will need an official UM transcript to submit as part of the final Rhodes application, please request your copy well in advance of the national deadline.
- 5-8 letters of recommendation¹. Please refer your references to the Letter of Recommendation Guidelines for Faculty for specific information on Rhodes letter content and submission process.

UM applicants seeking endorsement for the Rhodes scholarship should create an application profile as soon as possible at <http://rhodesscholar.org/>, but should **not submit** any materials or request letters of reference/endorsement online until after the campus interviews.

*****It is imperative that applicants review the "[Information for Candidates](#)" document on the Rhodes website for specific statement prompts and formatting requirements.*****

All of the application components listed above must be e-mailed as attachments to prestigiousawards@miami.edu by August 10th. Applicants are responsible for emailing all application items, with the exception of letters of recommendation. Please put your application items into one PDF document before emailing.

Please have your letter writers email their letters to prestigiousawards@miami.edu by the August 10th deadline.

Note: **There will be no individual meetings scheduled between August 1 and the campus deadline.** If you have specific questions about your application, email prestigiousawards@miami.edu.

What happens after the campus deadline?

- The University's Scholarship and Fellowship Committee will review the materials, and candidates will be invited for a campus interview in September. Only candidates who submit their application by the August 10 campus deadline are guaranteed a campus interview. Students who submit after the campus deadline will not be considered for the award.

- Students will be notified via email of their application status.
- Please note that there is no guarantee that your application will be moved forward to the national competition by the campus selection committee. The committee reviews all applications and interviews applicants. From there, the committee determines which applicants would best represent UM in the national competition. **Committee decisions are final.**
- If you are moved forward in the competition, it is your full responsibility to complete and submit your application online.

Please contact our office at prestigiousawards@miami.edu if you have any questions.

ⁱ Reference writers who are supporting students for multiple UK/Ireland fellowships (Rhodes, Marshall, Mitchell) have the option of submitting one letter to be reviewed by the campus committee for all nomination bids. Instructions for this option are provided in Letter of Recommendation Guidelines for Faculty. After the campus interview, UM-endorsed applicants will receive instructions on requesting letters of support through the respective on-line application portals.