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 Memorandum of Regulations, FAQs, and “Requirements for Personal Statement” documents on the Rhodes website (http://www.rhodesscholar.org/) and submit the following materials to the Office of Prestigious Awards and Scholarships no later than August 10, 2015:

- Personal statement (1000 words maximum) describing your academic and other interests. This statement should describe the specific area of proposed study and your reasons for wishing to study at Oxford. Include your name, C-number in the upper right-hand corner of each page. (Please watch the video for guidance on the Personal Statement on the Rhodes website).
- List of Principal Activities (i.e. resume or CV, no more than two pages) - Include c-number and permanent address in this document. Also include service and leadership roles, honors and activities, campus involvement, athletic activities and any research experience.
- PDF of unofficial transcript from Canelink and copy of transcripts from other universities attended (for coursework and grades that do not appear on UM transcript)
- 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.

All of the application components listed above must be e-mailed as attachments to prestigiousawards@miami.edu by August 10, 2015.

The University’s nominating committee will review the materials and qualified candidates will be invited for a campus interview in September. After the interviews, UM nominees will receive instructions on obtaining the letter of endorsement and complete the on-line Rhodes application (available in July) by the national deadline (October 7, 2015.) 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 on-line until after the campus interviews.

Please contact our office at (305) 284-5384 or prestigiousawards@miami.edu if you have any questions.

¹ 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.