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The Rhodes Scholarship programme is the oldest (established in 1903) international scholarship programme in the world and one of the most prestigious. Administered by the Rhodes Trust in Oxford, the programme offers 100 fully-funded Scholarships each year for postgraduate study at the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom - one of the world’s leading universities. Rhodes Scholarships are for young leaders of outstanding intellect and character who are motivated to engage with global challenges, committed to the service of others and show promise of becoming value-driven, principled leaders for the world’s future.

**Eligibility**

* Nationality/citizenship: You must be a citizen of Kenya.
* Education/Residency: You must have been resident in Kenya for at least five of the last ten years.
* Age: 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 or after 1 October 2023
* Academic achievement: You must have completed (or will have completed by June / July 2025) an undergraduate degree from a university (normally a Bachelor’s degree) with a First or Upper Second class standard (i.e. an average score of 69%/GPA of 3.7 or higher).

The deadline for application is  29 August 2024.

***A Partnership between the Rhodes Trust and the Second Century Founder, John McCall MacBain O.C.***

There are two Rhodes Scholarships available each year in Kenya.

Opening date: 3 June 2024  
Closing date: 23:59 Eastern Africa Time, 29 August 2024

As the Rhodes Scholarships are place-based, the eligibility criteria, application requirements and selection process vary slightly depending on which constituency you are applying for. To ensure that you have all of the information you need to apply, please read the [Information for Candidates](https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/media/46334/kenya_ifc.pdf)- specific to Kenya - carefully. You should also check the [Conditions of Tenure](https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/files/conditions-of-tenure/) to ensure that your proposed course of study is covered by the Rhodes Scholarship and share the [Guidance for Referees](https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/media/46363/kenya-guidance-for-referees.pdf) with your referees. These documents can all be accessed below.

* [Information for Candidates - Kenya](https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/media/46334/kenya_ifc.pdf)
* [Guidance for Referees - Kenya](https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/media/46363/kenya-guidance-for-referees.pdf)
* [Courses covered by the Rhodes Scholarship](https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/files/conditions-of-tenure)

If you have read all of the information above and are ready to apply for the Rhodes Scholarship, you can use the below button to to start the application process. Make sure to check the opening and closing dates above as the form won’t be available outside of these dates!

If you need any support with your application, please use the navigation bar to reach our Additional Resources page.

**Application Process**

The application process is explained as you navigate through the pages outlined in the navigation below.

[1. The Rhodes Scholarship](https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/scholarships/the-rhodes-scholarship/)

[Find out more about what the Rhodes Scholarship is, what it covers and what life in Oxford as Rhodes Scholar is like.](https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/scholarships/the-rhodes-scholarship/)

[2. The Selection Criteria](https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/scholarships/the-selection-criteria/)

[This section gives information about how we select Rhodes Scholars and what criteria we are looking for.](https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/scholarships/the-selection-criteria/)

[3. Check your Eligibility and Apply](https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/scholarships/applications/)

[Find out if you are eligible to apply for a Rhodes Scholarship and start your application!](https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/scholarships/applications/)

[Additional Resources](https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/scholarships/application-overview/)

[This section provides resources to guide you through the application process and answers your frequently asked questions.](https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/scholarships/application-overview/)

**National Secretary for Kenya**

Selection for the Rhodes Scholarships takes place in each constituency and is overseen by the relevant National Secretary and their team. Below you can find out who the National Secretary is and how to contact them should you need to.

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