

August Rhodes/Marshall/Mitchell Endorsement Application

This Endorsement Application is the first formal step in the process of obtaining the University of Notre Dame endorsement for the Rhodes, Marshall, and/or Mitchell Scholarships, which is administered by CUSE. You will need to complete this form in one sitting, but you can use the August Endorsement Application PDF at <http://cuse.nd.edu/rhodes> or <http://cuse.nd.edu/marshall> to prepare answers offline before entering them here. None of your answers here are final, but you will only have about a month to revise them, should you be endorsed.

After you have submitted this form, you must do the following to complete your application by the Final Endorsement Application Deadline:

(1) Submit a transcript to fellows@nd.edu (electronic) or 110 Brownson Hall (hard copy). You can submit a transcript request through the Registrar's Office, or you can submit the transcript yourself. Unofficial transcripts or grade histories are acceptable at this stage. If you submit the transcript yourself to fellows@nd.edu as a PDF file, please use the subject line "RMM Endorsement Transcript - [Last Name, First Name]".

(2) Ask four recommenders to submit drafts of letters of recommendation to fellows@nd.edu. These letters are due by the Final Endorsement Application Deadline. At least two of the letters must come from people who have taught you. At least one should be non-academic—if you are applying for the Marshall, this non-academic letter will ideally confirm and elaborate on the experience you discuss in your leadership essay. If you are endorsed for the Rhodes Scholarship, you will eventually need 5-8 letters by the end of September, at least four of which must come from people who have taught you. If you are endorsed for the Marshall or Mitchell Scholarships, you will only need 4 total letters. Your recommenders will have the opportunity to revise their letters before the end of September, should you be endorsed.

Within two weeks of the Final Endorsement Application Deadline, CUSE will contact you to let you know whether you will be moving on to the next stage of the endorsement process: an interview with the University's Rhodes/Marshall/Mitchell Endorsement Committee. More information about the interview will be provided at that time. If you have questions in the meantime, please contact fellows@nd.edu.

* Required

Biographical Information

1. **First Name ***

2. **Last Name ***

3. **9-Digit University ID Number**

4. **Email ***

5. **Grad Year ***

6. **Current Cumulative GPA ***

7. **Hometown ***

8. **Primary College/School ***

Mark only one oval.

- Architecture
- A&L
- Engineering
- FYS
- Keough
- Mendoza
- Science

9. **Secondary College/School (if applicable)**

Mark only one oval.

- Architecture
- A&L
- Engineering
- FYS
- Keough
- Mendoza
- Science

10. **Major 1 ***

11. **Major 2 (if applicable)**

12. **Major 3 (if applicable)**

13. **Minor 1 (if applicable)**

14. **Minor 2 (if applicable)**

15. **Minor 3 (if applicable)**

16. **Scholars/Honors Group Membership (if applicable)**

Check all that apply. Complete the "Other" line if you are a member of a scholars/honors program not listed here.

Check all that apply.

- AnBryce Scholars Program
- Building Bridges
- Engineering Honors Program
- Engineering Scholars Program
- Glynn Family Honors Program
- Hesburgh-Yusko Scholars Program
- Kellogg Institute International Scholars Program
- MSPS Scholars
- Posse Scholars
- QuestBridge Scholars
- Sorin Scholars
- Stamps Scholars Program
- Other: _____

17. **Current/Completed Study Abroad (if applicable)**

Please indicate program and semester(s).
Separate multiple programs with a semicolon.
(Example: London, Summer 2015; Rome, Fall 2016)

18. **Citizenship ***

(Only U.S. citizens are eligible to apply for the Marshall. See <http://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/about/rhodes-countries> for a list of countries whose citizens are eligible for the Rhodes.)

Check all that apply.

- United States of America
- Other: _____

Endorsement Application Information

19. Scholarships for which you're seeking an endorsement: *

Check all that apply.

- Rhodes
- Marshall
- Mitchell

20. What program(s) of study do you plan to pursue at Oxford?

Complete if you are applying for the Rhodes endorsement. You can propose a second Bachelor's degree (see <https://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate/courses-listing>), one two- or three-year graduate program, or two one-year graduate programs (see <http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/graduate/courses>). What you list here is not final, and you can propose more than one possibility.

21. What program(s) of study do you plan to pursue in the UK?

Complete if you are applying for the Marshall endorsement. You can propose a single one-, two-, or three-year graduate program, or two one-year graduate programs (see <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/postgraduate-courses>). If you propose two programs, they do not have to be at the same institution. What you list here is not final, and you can propose more than one possibility.

22. What program of study do you plan to pursue in Ireland?

Complete if you are applying for the Mitchell endorsement. You can propose a one-year graduate program in Ireland. Note that Northern Ireland programs are ineligible for the Mitchell. (See <http://www.us-irelandalliance.org/content/3/en/George%20Mitchell%20Scholarship%20Program%20%7C%20US-Ireland%20Alliance.html> for more information.) What you list here is not final, and you can propose more than one possibility.

Essays

23. Personal Statement (Rhodes applicants)

Enter a personal statement not exceeding 1000 words which you must certify as wholly truthful and your own work. Please read the "Requirements for Personal Statement" at <http://goo.gl/P3BbEB> before writing your statement. At no time can the statement be reviewed by anyone other than you.

24. Personal Statement (Mitchell applicants)

Enter a personal statement not exceeding 1000 words. The personal statement is your opportunity to share your personality, passion, and drive with the selection committee that cannot be communicated elsewhere in the application materials. At no time can the statement be reviewed by anyone other than you.

25. Personal Statement (Marshall applicants)

Enter a personal statement not exceeding 1000 words in which you should describe your academic and other interests and pursuits. If you are also applying for Rhodes or Mitchell, then at no time can the statement be reviewed by anyone other than you.

26. Proposed Academic Program (Marshall applicants)

Describe your proposed academic program, giving reasons for your choice of course and preferred university. Those hoping to read for a research degree should give an outline proposal of the research you wish to undertake and with whom you would like to work. (If you are endorsed, you will need to select second choice "backup" programs and describe them in a revised version of this essay.) (500 words maximum)

27. Leadership (Marshall applicants)

You should describe a situation in which you recognized and responded to a need for leadership. When answering this question please consider the Marshall criteria on leadership potential: <http://www.marshallscholarship.org/applications/leadershippotential>. (500 words maximum)

28. Ambassador Potential (Marshall applicants)

You should describe what "the USA-UK special relationship" means. You should also describe how you might strengthen ties between the USA and the UK in your field of study and through your extra-curricular activities, whilst in the UK and upon your return to the US. (500 words maximum)

Recommender Information

29. Who is submitting your primary academic recommendation? *

Please list name and title. This must be someone who has taught you in a class who can speak to your academic excellence.

30. What is your primary academic recommender's email? *

We will not contact this individual unless you are endorsed.

31. Who is submitting your primary non-academic recommendation? *

Please list name and title. This letter must be from someone who can attest to at least one of your extraordinary leadership, professional, service, and/or athletics achievements. (If you are applying for Marshall, this letter should address the leadership experience you discuss in your leadership essay.)

32. What is your primary non-academic recommender's email? *

We will not contact this individual unless you are endorsed.

33. Who is submitting a third letter of recommendation? *

Please list name and title.

34. What is the third recommender's email? *

We will not contact this individual unless you are endorsed.

35. Who is submitting a fourth letter of recommendation? *

Please list name and title.

36. What is the fourth recommender's email? *

We will not contact this individual unless you are endorsed.

37. If you are applying for Rhodes, who are you considering for your additional one to four letters of recommendation?

We only need names and titles. We will not contact them without consulting with you first. Keep in mind that at least four of your five to eight total letters for the Rhodes must come from people who have taught you.

List of Principal Activities

After you submit your application, please email to fellows@nd.edu your two-page list of principal activities in Document or PDF format. On the list, you might include sections for the following: Research Experience, Conference Presentations, Grants and Awards, Leadership, Service, Athletics, Publications, Employment, Interests. There is no required format for this list, but we suggest both that you only include principal activities (i.e., activities of substance that you'd be happy to talk more about in an interview) and that you say enough about each activity to make it clear why you've included it (i.e., the significance of the award, the impact of the research, etc.). Think of the list as a place to list the "facts" about what you've done, so that your essays can focus more on the "why" of what you've done and your future plans.
