

COMPARISON CHART OF MARSHALL, MITCHELL, AND RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS

UNC Chapel Hill's Office of Distinguished Scholarships

PART ONE: Which Scholarship is Best for You?

AWARD	Marshall	Mitchell	Rhodes
Purpose	Grad study in any field at a UK university	Grad study in any field at an Irish university	Grad study in any field at Oxford University
Eligibility	<p>Must have a (first) bachelor's degree from the U.S. no more than three years prior to starting Marshall</p> <p>Minimum GPA of 3.7 (but usually higher)</p> <p>Must be a U.S. citizen</p>	<p>Must be between 18 and 30 (on Sept 29th of year of application)</p> <p>Bachelor's degree from U.S. or international institution</p> <p>GPA above 3.7 usually expected</p>	<p>Must be between 18 and 24 as of October 1 in year of application.</p> <p>Bachelor's degree from institution located in the U.S. or its territories by October 1 of year starting at Oxford</p> <p>Nearly perfect GPA expected</p> <p>Must be citizen or permanent resident of the U.S. as of April 15th of year of application</p>
Source of Information (Please check the websites for up-to-date information)	marshallscholarship.org	us-irelandalliance.org	rhodesscholar.org

PART TWO: Selecting Your Course of Study and University

AWARD	<u>Marshall</u>	<u>Mitchell</u>	<u>Rhodes</u>
Length of program	1-3 years (applicants select the one-year or two-year program; two-year Marshall Scholars can extend to a third year)	1 year	2-3 years (renewable for a third year)
Possible degrees to pursue	<p>Master's</p> <p>PhD</p>	Master's only	<p>Second bachelor's</p> <p>Master's</p> <p>PhD (partially supported after three years, if it is longer than a 3-year program)</p>

<p>University Affiliations</p>	<p>Marshall info: marshallscholarship.org/studyuk/chooseuniversity</p> <p>Other sources: theguardian.com/education/universityguide</p> <p>study-uk.britishcouncil.org/</p> <p>prospects.ac.uk/universities</p>	<p>Mitchell info: Us-irelandalliance.org/content/g/en/Higher%20Education%20Institutions%20in%20Ireland.html</p> <p>Other source: educationinireland.com/en/Where-can-I-study-/View-all-Universities-Colleges/</p>	<p>Oxford University Read about programs here: ox.ac.uk/admissions/graduate</p>
<p>More About the Programs</p>	<p>Exclusions: Marshall does NOT fund the following programs:</p> <p>At any university: Second BA/BSc degrees; MBA; Professional degrees in medicine, dentistry, veterinary science and law; Degrees that require extended periods away from the University or the UK, including joint degrees with Universities not in the UK; PGDip/Certificates in any subject; MSc/MFE Financial Economics; supervised research not leading to a degree</p> <p>At Oxford only: MPhil Development Studies; MSc Global Health Science; MSc International Health and Tropical Medicine; MSc Law and Finance; MPP (Public Policy)</p>	<p>Mitchell Scholars may study at any of the following institutions of higher education:</p> <p>Dublin City University</p> <p>Dublin Institute of Technology</p> <p>Dun Laoghaire Institute of Art, Design & Technology</p> <p>National University of Ireland, Galway</p> <p>National University of Ireland, Maynooth</p> <p>Trinity College Dublin</p> <p>University College Cork</p> <p>University College Dublin</p> <p>University of Limerick</p>	
<p>University Choices to List</p>	<p>Must have first and second choices for each year.</p> <p>One year Marshall Scholarship candidates must be registered for degrees that are no shorter than 12 months.</p>	<p>List at least three options from the approved list.</p>	<p>Oxford University is the only choice.</p>

PART THREE: Getting Your Letters of Recommendation

AWARD	<u>Marshall</u>	<u>Mitchell</u>	<u>Rhodes</u>
Number of letters required	3 for endorsement stage; 4 for Marshall application	3 for endorsement stage; 4 for Mitchell application	4 for endorsement stage; 5-8 for Rhodes application
Who should write the letters	<p>Two should be from professors who can speak in detail about your scholarly work & potential.</p> <p>One may be non-academic. Choose someone who knows you well and can give specific comments on your ambassadorial and leadership potential for success outside of your scholarly work and/or research.</p> <p>Applicants must designate one Preferred Recommender and this recommender should have supervised your college or university training</p>	<p>Two of your recommendation letters should be from professors with whom you have done academic work.</p> <p>Two recommendation letters may be character references.</p>	<p>At least three of your four letters should come from professors who can speak in detail about your scholarly work and potential.</p> <p>No more than one of these four letters should be character reference letters.</p>
Contact recommenders	Spring of your junior year if you are applying to go abroad after your senior year	Spring of your junior year if you are applying to go abroad after your senior year	Spring of your junior year if you are applying to go abroad after your senior year
Other notes	<p>Letters must not exceed 1,000 words</p> <p>Applicants who receive UNC's endorsement will need to collect up to 1 additional recommendation letter (for a total of 4 letters) to apply for the Marshall Scholarships.</p>	<p>Letter must not exceed 750 words.</p> <p>Applicants who receive UNC's endorsement will need to collect up to 1 additional letter (for a total of 4 letters) to apply for the Mitchell Scholarship.</p> <p>Must include email, mailing address and phone number of all recommenders.</p>	<p>Letter must not exceed 2 pages.</p> <p>Applicants who receive UNC's endorsement will need to collect 1-4 additional letters to apply online to the Rhodes Scholarships, for a total of 5-8 letters.</p> <p>No more than two or three of these letters should be recommendations regarding the applicant's character.</p>

PART FOUR: Preparing the Personal Statements

AWARD	<u>Marshall</u>	<u>Mitchell</u>	<u>Rhodes</u>
Number and Length of Essays	Personal statement – 1,000 word limit Proposed academic program – 500 words Leadership essay – 500 words Ambassador potential – 500 words	Personal Statement – 1,000 word limit	Personal Statement – 1,000 word limit
Getting Help for your Personal Statement	Allowed.	Not allowed. “I attest that this essay is my own work and is wholly truthful. Neither it nor any earlier draft has been edited by anyone other than me, nor has anyone else reviewed it to provide me with suggestions to improve it. I understand that any such editing or review would disqualify my application.”	Not allowed. “All applicants must attest that their personal statements are their own work, is wholly truthful, and without edits or suggestions from others. Applicants must also attest that any such editing or review would disqualify their application.”
Personal Statement Tips	honorscarolina.unc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Personal-Statement-guidance_as-of-July-15-2014.pdf	honorscarolina.unc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Personal-Statement-guidance_as-of-July-15-2014.pdf Tips From Mitchell: 26 Rules for Writing Well General Style Tips	honorscarolina.unc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Personal-Statement-guidance_as-of-July-15-2014.pdf
Resume/CV	In application: Paid employment (200 word max) Unpaid employment (200) Publications (200) Personal interests/leadership (300) Foreign travel (50) Language proficiency (30) Grants, prizes, medals (100) Other applications for British scholarships (50) Post scholarship plan (300)	In application: <u>List up to 5 awards/activities for each category</u> (all descriptions 200 words max) 1. Academic Achievements/Awards 2. Leadership Activities 3. Community Service 4. Misc. Awards/Activities	Upload (<u>2 page max</u>): Curriculum vitae or factual list of principal activities and honors whilst at school or college, at or since leaving University. This should include details about prizes, scholarships, positions of leadership, involvement in student, voluntary, community or political activities and any cultural, musical or sporting accomplishments.
Other things required	Printed copy of transcript to mail; Short written discussions about personal interests and non-academic activities, future career aims, and foreign travel & languages	Mitchell also requires a personal video. Additional requirements: passport style photo, unofficial transcripts, signature, university choices and study options, resume.	A list not longer than 2 pages of activities and honors in college; headshot; endorsement letter, 5-8 rec letters. After endorsement: Proof of citizenship and certified transcript

PART FIVE: The UNC Endorsement Interview

Award	Marshall	Mitchell	Rhodes
Endorsement Deadline (for applying to ODS)	August 1	August 1	August 1
UNC Endorsement Interview Info	Will take place during the first week of classes in the Fall	Will take place during the first week of classes in the Fall Graduate students and non-students do not submit institutional endorsements.	Will take place during the first week of classes in the Fall

PART SIX: What happens if I am endorsed by UNC?

Award	Marshall	Mitchell	Rhodes
Foundation Deadline & Final Submission	Early October (TBD)	Late September (TBD)	Early October (TBD)
Subsequent Interviews	Shortlisted candidates will be called for interview in November. Interviews are usually in <u>the first two weeks of November.</u>	Video Interview: Once your application has been received and certified as complete after the initial deadline, you will receive information about the required video interview. You will have approximately 48 hours to submit the video interview. Semi-Finalist Skype Interviews: Late October Finalist Weekend: Weekend before Thanksgiving	The applicant must be prepared to attend a reception and personal interview, and remain for possible repeat interviews and the election announcement, in the city serving the respective district region, <u>on the Friday and Saturday preceding the Thanksgiving holiday.</u> Students will have at least two weeks' notice that they are invited to the final interviews.
Winners Announced	The final selection will be announced shortly after interview—mid November.	The winners are selected and notified at the time of the final interview.	The winners are selected and notified at the time of the final interview.