

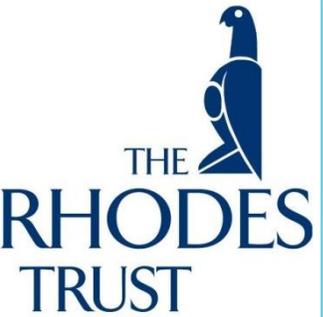
An aerial photograph of a Gothic university building, likely a cathedral or a large hall, with a blue semi-transparent text overlay on the left side. The building features intricate stonework, pointed arches, and a prominent spire. The text is white and reads: "The Rhodes Scholarships", "Australia", "Information for Queensland", "applicants applying in 2020 for 2021".

# The Rhodes Scholarships

## Australia

### Information for Queensland applicants applying in 2020 for 2021

Professor Stan Hurn  
State Secretary, Queensland Rhodes Scholarship



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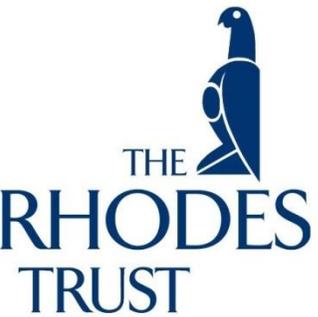
## Key Contacts

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# Rhodes Scholarships – Established in 1903

- The oldest and most prestigious scholarships in the world
- Each year, nine Australian Rhodes Scholars are elected (over 100 worldwide)
- The scholarships include one for each state/territory and a further three from anywhere in the country known as “Australia-at-Large Scholarships”
- A community of nearly 8,000 Rhodes Scholars worldwide.



Nicholas Salmon, 2020 Queensland Rhodes Scholar (pictured)



# Background to the Rhodes Scholarships

- QUT Rhodes Scholars:
  - Eight Rhodes Scholars since 1998
  - Queensland's 2011, 2012, 2013, 2015, and 2016 Rhodes Scholars are all graduates of QUT.



Brody Foy, 2015 Queensland Rhodes Scholar (pictured above)



Harriet Horsfall, 2016 Queensland Rhodes Scholar (pictured above)

# Eligibility

1	You are an Australian citizen or permanent resident. You completed at least two years of schooling at an Australian secondary school.
2	You will have completed an Australian Bachelor's degree, with or without honours, or an Australian masters degree, or international equivalent of one of the above degrees by <b>30 June 2021</b> .
3	<b>Age:</b> Upon 1 October 2020, you must meet either of the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>You must be at least 18 and have not passed your 25th birthday (i.e. you must have been born after 30 September 1995 and on or before 1 October 2002).</li><li>You must have not passed your 27th birthday (i.e. have been born after 30 September 1993) AND your first undergraduate degree must have been (or will be) awarded on or after 1 July 2019)*</li></ol>
4	You have not applied for a Rhodes Scholarship more than one previous occasion.

# Selection Criteria

- **Academic excellence**
  - An indicative expectation of a GPA of at least 6.75/7 or a Weighted Average Mark of at least 80%, or equivalent
  - Meeting the entry requirements for your proposed course at Oxford (<http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions>)
- **Energy to use your talents to the full**
  - Extra curricular activities
  - What you are passionate about and how you have pursued those interests
- **Truth, courage, devotion to duty, sympathy for and protection of the weak, kindness, unselfishness, and fellowship**
  - Partly evidenced by your service to the community
- **Moral force of character and instincts to lead, and to take an interest in your fellow human beings**
  - How you demonstrate leadership.

## Selection Process

- Applications are submitted through an online system (<http://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk>)
- Applications for the 2021 Queensland Rhodes Scholarship open on 1 July 2020 and close on 11 September 2020
- Apply in the state or territory in which you are completing or have completed your highest degree, or in which you completed at least two years of secondary schooling
- Two key parts to the application:
  - A curriculum vitae of no more than three A4 pages in length (12 pt)
  - A personal statement – 1,000 words only – which should be entirely your own work
- Five referees – three academic and two other.



## About the Scholarship

- All University and College fees
- The University application fee
- A personal stipend (£14,700)
- Private health insurance
- One economy class airfare to Oxford at the start of the scholarship and one economy flight back to the student's home country at the conclusion of the scholarship
- The scholarship cannot be deferred and cannot be held with another scholarship.
- While at Oxford you will be expected to engaging with your fellow Scholars through the Rhodes Service and Leadership Program

## FAQs

- Would a student who is an Australian citizen and attended high school in Australia, but studies at college for four years in the United States be eligible to apply, or must their degree be attained in Australia?
- Can someone be eligible for the scholarship if their 26<sup>th</sup> birthday is in the same year that they would commence at Oxford?
- Before applying, I was wondering how important grades are when considering recipients?
- I am currently overseas on study exchange. Knowing that I have to return to Australia to attend the interview in person if invited, are you able to indicate an approximate date for this, and/or when I will know if I am shortlisted?
- Could I confirm that I am able to list more than five referees on my application?



## Other Resources

- Queensland Rhodes Scholarship page ([www.qut.edu.au/rhodes](http://www.qut.edu.au/rhodes))
- The Rhodes Scholarships Australia: Memorandum for Selection 2021 Round (to be confirmed) (<https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/scholarships/apply/>) – select Australia and then “Information for Candidates”
- Applying for the Rhodes Scholarships (<https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/scholarships/apply/>)
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