

Rhodes Scholarships



Postgraduate awards supporting exceptional students from around the world to study at the University of Oxford.

- Each year, 32 U. S. citizens are among more than 80 Rhodes Scholars worldwide
 - Applicants from other countries are **NOW ELIGIBLE!**
- Provides funding for up to 2 years (with possible 3rd year extension) *except*:
 - One-year courses denoted as "diploma"

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- Approximately 1,000 U.S. applicants each year
 - 192-256 are chosen for an interview
 - 32 scholarships available for the U.S. citizens
 - Over 100 total scholarships awarded annually, from 20 Rhodes constituencies (64 countries) worldwide
 - Average scholar GPA is a 3.9

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Eligibility & Selection Criteria:

- Be a U.S. citizen
 - OR a lawful permanent resident of the United States
 - OR a citizen of a [Rhodes constituency](#)
 - OR apply for the [NEW Global Scholarships](#) (2 available)
- Be at least 18 but not yet 24 years of age by the application deadline
- Intellect
- Character
- Leadership
- Commitment to service

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Application Requirements:

- The endorsement of his or her college or university
- A certified transcript (or transcripts)
- Five, *but up to* eight, letters of recommendation.
 - Four of these must be from individuals who are qualified to advise selection committees about the applicant's academic ability and standing
- *****Personal statement***- SEE NEXT SLIDE**
- A list of principal activities
- A passport-size photograph

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Personal Statement:

“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.”

Application Timeline *

- March 22:** [Researching Postgraduate Programs Abroad Webinar](#)
- July:** Rhodes application opens
- July 1:** ONIF waiver & [Intent to Apply](#) form due
- July 15:** Required Checkpoint- schedule “check-in” with ONIF
- August 31:** **Campus Deadline**
- Early October:** Rhodes National Deadline

**For U.S. citizens or permanent residents (when applicable). International students, contact ONIF for campus deadlines.*

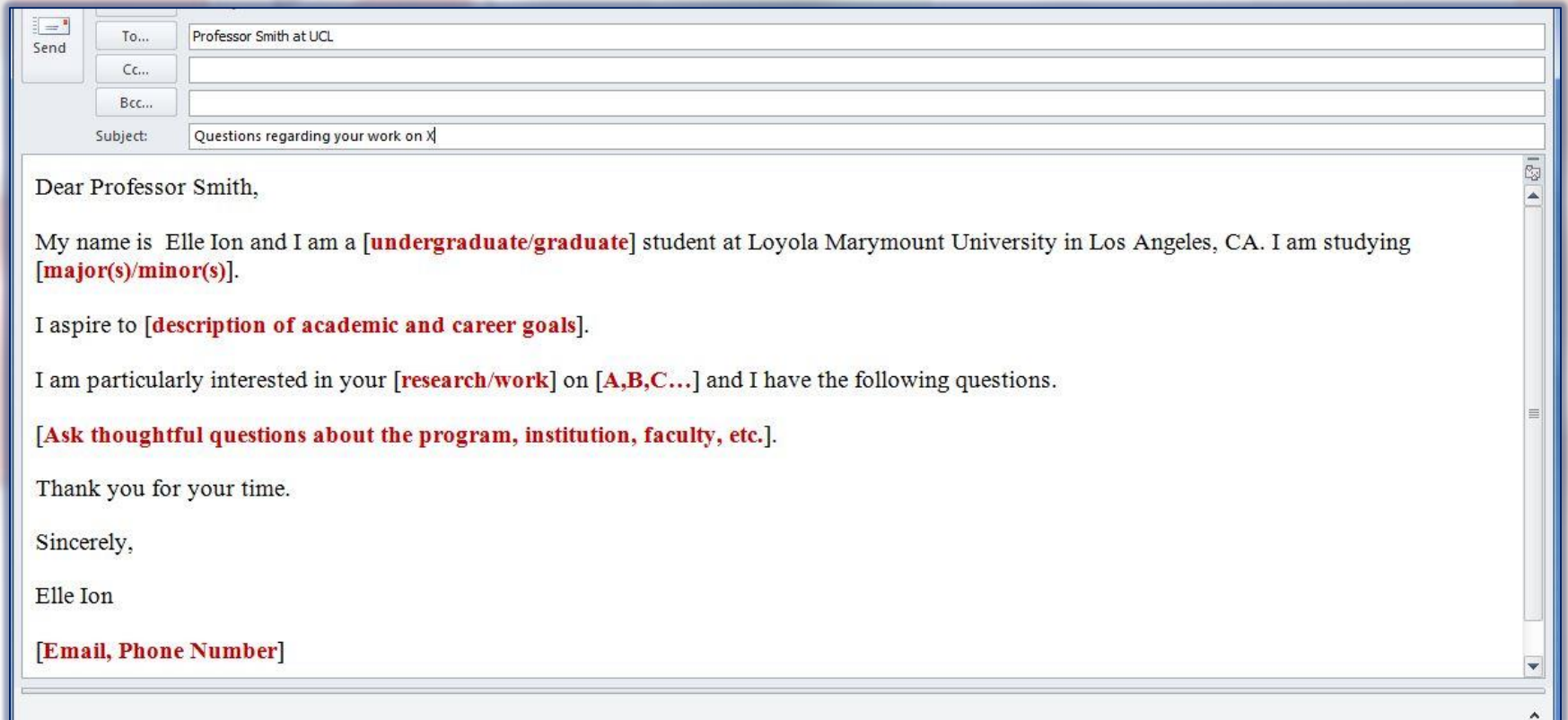
Where to Begin?

- Research, research, research
 - Find the degree program or programs first!
 - [Researching Postgraduate Programs Abroad Webinar](#) on March 22 at 3:00 p.m.,
 - Postgraduate Program Assessment Sheet
- Keep in contact with ONIF
 - I recommend checking in *at least once a month*, updating me on your progress
 - You are not alone!
- Talk to LMU faculty and mentors
- Send emails to faculty at prospective institutions
- Submit ONIF's waiver form & intent to apply by **July 1, 2019**

Glossary of Postgraduate Degrees

- **PhD or Dphil = Doctor of Philosophy**
 - Typically at least 3 years
- **MPhil = Master of Philosophy, an advanced postgrad research degree**
 - Can serve as provisional enrollment for a PhD, typically completed in 2 years
- **MBA = Master of Business Administration**
 - Typically a 15 month+ program, depending on the institution
- **MFin = Master of Finance**
 - Typically a 1-year taught Master's
- **MSc = Master of Science**
 - Typically a 1-year taught Master's
- **MASt = Master of Advanced Study**
 - Typically a 1-year taught Master's in Math or Physics
- **MLitt = Master of Letters**
 - Awarded by a select few British & Irish universities
 - Typically a 1-year taught Master's. Subjects include: Arts, Divinity, Fine Art, Humanities, or Social Sciences

Sample Email to Prospective Institutions



The image shows a screenshot of an email client interface. The header area includes a 'Send' button, 'To...' (Professor Smith at UCL), 'Cc...' (empty), 'Bcc...' (empty), and 'Subject:' (Questions regarding your work on X). The main body of the email contains the following text:

Dear Professor Smith,

My name is Elle Ion and I am a [**undergraduate/graduate**] student at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, CA. I am studying [**major(s)/minor(s)**].

I aspire to [**description of academic and career goals**].

I am particularly interested in your [**research/work**] on [**A,B,C...**] and I have the following questions.

[**Ask thoughtful questions about the program, institution, faculty, etc.**].

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Elle Ion

[**Email, Phone Number**]

Main Takeaways

- It's all about the graduate program, not the scholarship!
- We are recruiting for the 2020-21 academic year.
- Start your research **NOW!**

Resources

- [Rhodes Scholarship website](#)
- [ONIF UK Page](#)
 - [One-on-one appointments](#)
 - [Letter of Rec resources](#)
- Faculty
- [Career Professional Development Office](#)

Additional Funding Opportunities

- External or institution-provided funding
 - [Clarendon Scholarships at Oxford University](#)
 - [Cambridge Trust Scholarships](#)
 - [Fulbright Study Awards](#)
 - [Marshall Scholarship](#)
 - [Chancellor's International Research Scholarship at University of Sussex](#)
 - [University of Warwick Scholarships](#)
- [Chevening Awards](#) (for non-U.S. citizens)- Deadline:
November
 - Chevening is the UK Government's international awards scheme aimed at developing global leaders.

Questions

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