

Application Procedures and advice for UIC applicants for British scholarships

Please note the Rhodes, Marshall, and Mitchell all require a university nomination. To apply to be nominated you should contact Beth Powers in the Office of Special Scholarship Programs well in advance of the University Deadline, April 15 and **be prepared to submit all requested materials to the office by April 15.**

The British scholarships tend to seek similarly qualified students, though each award has unique aspects to it. In general, they want high achieving students who have excelled academically, held leadership roles, done research, engaged in public service and have a vision for how they want to make a difference in their field or in the world at large.

The UIC selection committee will make nominations for the Marshall, Rhodes and Mitchell scholarships and make recommendations for the Gates Cambridge. Selected candidates will maintain contact with OSSP over the summer and work on revisions to their essays, contacts in the UK and other relevant aspects of the application. An early fall interview will take place before the final deadlines.

All interested candidates should submit the following materials to the Office of Special Scholarship Programs by April 15:

- A personal statement of 1000-2000 words that includes information on the student's college experience, his/her career and life goals, and potential programs of study at one or more UK universities
- A printout of the student's grades. A UIC transcript or printout of "web for student" grades is acceptable
- A minimum of four letters of reference. Candidates uncertain of who to request letters from should consult with Beth
- A resume of up to three pages listing awards, honors, activities, research, jobs, service, leadership, hobbies, etc.

Gates Cambridge: <http://www.gatesscholar.org/>

Spring deadline: April 15

Final deadline: October 15

Marshall: <http://www.marshallscholarship.org/>

Nomination deadline: April 15

Final deadline: October 1

Mitchell: <http://www.us-irelandalliance.org/wmspage.cfm?parm1=34>

Nomination deadline: April 15

Final deadline: October 5

Rhodes: <http://www.rhodesscholar.org/>

Nomination deadline: April 15

Final deadline: October 4

The Fulbright Fellowship also offers the opportunity to apply for 10 months of study in the UK. Interested students should contact Beth Powers for more information on the Fulbright process.

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