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Beste PRG Alumni

Soos u in ons mees onlangse skrywe in kennis gestel is, is die Paul Roos Gimnasium Rhodes-beurs weer oopgestel vir aansoeke vir die 2027-beurs. Die aansoekproses duur van 1 Junie tot 3 Augustus 2026.

Vind asseblief hier aangeheg die volgende twee dokumente:

1. **'n Brief van die Rhodes Trust aan PRG-alumni rakende die Paul Roos-beurs.**
2. **Besonderhede van die Rhodes-beursinligtingsessie vir voornemende aansoekers op 27 Mei 2026.**

Ons sien uit na die aansoeke vanuit PRG-geledere vir die 2027 Rhodes-beurs. Kontak die skool gerus indien u enige verdere inligting benodig.

Dear PRG Alumni

As communicated in our most recent correspondence, the Paul Roos Gimnasium Rhodes Scholarship has once again been opened for applications for the 2027 scholarship cycle. The application process will run from 1 June to 3 August 2026.

Please find attached the following two documents:

1. **A letter from the Rhodes Trust to PRG alumni regarding the Paul Roos Scholarship.**
2. **Details of the Rhodes Scholarship information session for prospective applicants on 27 May 2026.**

We look forward to the applications from within the PRG community for the 2027 Rhodes Scholarship. Please do not hesitate to contact the school should you require any further information.

Kind regards / Vriendelike groete



Jannie de Villiers
Rector / Rektor

13 May 2026



RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA TO STUDY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD (UK) IN 2027

Paul Roos Rhodes Scholarship

We wish to draw to the attention of our school alumni a wonderful postgraduate opportunity to further your studies at the University of Oxford (UK). Online applications for the **2027 Rhodes Scholarships for Southern Africa** open on 01 June 2026. The scholarships target talented, young South Africans and are fully funded for at least two years of full-time study at the world's top-ranked university. The Scholarships are inclusive: race, gender, religious affiliation, course of study, and financial need are **not** criteria for the Rhodes Scholarship.

The **Paul Roos Scholarship** is one of the Rhodes Scholarships that may be awarded annually to alumni who matriculated from Paul Roos Gymnasium, Rhenish Girls' High School, Bloemhof Girls' High School or any high school in the Cape Winelands, Eden and Central Karoo, Overberg, and West Coast education districts in South Africa.

Background

Internationally, the Rhodes Scholarship is regarded as the oldest and, arguably, the preeminent global fellowship programme. Funded by a bequest in the Will of Cecil John Rhodes, the Rhodes Scholarship has been awarded since 1903. Over the last 123 years, nearly 1000 young people from across Southern Africa have had the opportunity to pursue postgraduate studies at Oxford University thanks to this scholarship programme. Annually, more than 100 Rhodes Scholarships are awarded to high-potential graduates from over 50 countries across the globe.

Who should apply?

The Rhodes Scholarships are targeted at young, high-potential graduates aged 19 to 24 (with special accommodation for Health Sciences graduates), who are academically talented, demonstrate proven leadership skills and a commitment to making a difference in their own community and beyond. The scholarship funds postgraduate degrees (Master's and Doctorates) at Oxford University, which is consistently ranked as one of the top academic universities in the world, and offers magnificent opportunities for postgraduate research and studies. Entrance to Oxford is highly competitive, hence the scholarships are aimed at academic high-achievers, who have the courage to lead, show moral force of character, energy and empathy, and a commitment and desire to impact positively on the world.

Of the 100 Rhodes scholarships awarded each year globally, ten are allocated to the Southern African Constituency (comprising South Africa, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Namibia and eSwatini). Further scholarships are awarded to graduates from other regions across the continent: Zimbabwe (2), Zambia (2), Kenya (2), East Africa (1), and West Africa (3).

Online applications open on 01 June 2026

The Rhodes Scholarships are open to final year undergraduates and postgraduates across all faculties, attending universities in the Southern African constituency.

The scholarships are inclusive and generous, covering most of the graduate's expenses in Oxford (including application fees, university tuition fees, accommodation fees, a settling-in allowance, a monthly stipend, one return airfare per Scholar, financial assistance with visa and health insurance costs); and offering superb wrap-around support. The scholarship also includes developmental and leadership programmes facilitated at Rhodes House; access to a range of forums, conferences, and events on a host of global themes/topics; and international service projects.

If you are interested in applying for the 2027 academic year, applications open online on **01 June 2026** and close on **03 August 2026** *(Note: this is a hard deadline and late applications will not be considered).*

Information Session for partner schools

A virtual information session and Q&A are planned for 27 May 2026 for interested final-year undergraduates, Honours, and graduate students. *Registration is required*.

Date: **Wednesday, 27 May 2026**
Time: **17:30 to 19:00**
Registration **here**

Additional information to assist you with your application

To make sure you are as prepared as possible to start your application, you are encouraged to read the information on the Scholarships tab on the **Rhodes Trust website,** the **Conditions of Tenure** document, and the **University of Oxford's graduate admissions pages.**
In addition, please review the **Information Document** for applicants from Southern Africa, paying particular attention to the section on Eligibility: citizenship/residency, age, and academic achievement.

Useful Links

- An A-Z list of the graduate courses at Oxford University
- An introduction to the types of graduate degrees offered by Oxford University
- The Rhodes House Website
- Our Application Overview with videos to guide you through the application process
- Courses covered by the Rhodes Scholarship (Conditions of Tenure document)
- Privacy Policy and Data Protection Statement
- List of the Rhodes constituencies
- The University of Oxford's English language proficiency guidance
- University of Oxford Graduate Admissions

Interested candidates are also invited to follow the Rhodes Scholarships on social media:

- LinkedIn
- TikTok
- Facebook
- YouTube
- Instagram

There is no doubt that being awarded a Rhodes Scholarship is a life-changing experience. Should you have any queries or if additional information is required, please do not hesitate to contact **Beverley Johnson, Regional Manager of the Rhodes Scholarships for Southern Africa**, directly at e-mail: southernafrica.secretary@rhodestrust.com.

We look forward to receiving your application and wish you every success.





THE RHODES SCHOLARSHIP
INFORMATION SESSION

Rhodes Scholarships for Southern Africa

with Partner Schools

(Bishops Rhodes Scholarship, Paul Roos Rhodes Scholarship,
SACS Rhodes Scholarship &
St Andrew's Rhodes Scholarship)

Wednesday, 27 May 2026
at 17:30 (SAST)

Register for this virtual info session

here

Find out more about this prestigious opportunity for fully-funded postgraduate study at the University of Oxford.

Follow the Rhodes Trust on social media

For more information, visit the Rhodes website:
www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/