

Tuition Exchange FAQ

1. My child is applying to Rhodes and is also interested in applying for a Tuition Exchange scholarship. What is the first step?

Tuition Exchanges (TE) are initiated by your employer/institution who will verify your employment eligibility. If you are eligible, visit www.tuitionexchange.org. If you select the family tab, your child will be able research the schools in which he/she is interested, and then using the EZ App, apply to the schools of his/her choice.

2. How much is the TE scholarship at Rhodes?

Rhodes will award \$42,000 to TE recipients for the 2024-25 school year.

3. Many families ask the question, “will my freshman Import be offered a TE scholarship at Rhodes?”

Students are considered for but not guaranteed a TE Scholarship at Rhodes. We evaluate Tuition Exchange applications with a holistic approach, as we do with admission in general, taking into consideration grades, courses, test scores, essays, recommendations and extracurriculars. We do have slots available for students enrolling in the 2024-2025 academic year. Through each decision period we will notify awardees as well as other applicants who will be added to our TE waitlist. The most important action your student needs to do now is apply to Rhodes using the Common Application.

4. Is there a deadline to apply for Tuition Exchange at Rhodes?

Yes, the TE priority deadline at Rhodes is January 15. TE applications will be reviewed during each decision period if spots are still available. Rhodes admission deadlines are as follows:

Early Decision – November 1

Early Action - November 15

Early Decision II – January 15

Regular Decision – January 15

Preference may be given to Early Decision students.

5. When will Rhodes notify me of their TE decision?

If a student is admitted to Rhodes and offered a tuition exchange scholarship, they will find it included in their financial aid award. Students who are not awarded a TE scholarship will also be notified, added to a waitlist and considered for other types of scholarships, grants, student loans and work study. If additional scholarships are available after the admission decision deadline, students on the waitlist will be re-evaluated and notified if they are awarded a scholarship.

6. How many semesters does the TE scholarship cover?

TE awards are based on class levels with an 8-semester maximum. Scholarships are only available for first-time entering freshmen and transfer students.

7. Can I attend summer school at RHODES and use my TE award?

No, TE scholarships are not available for summer terms.

8. Do I need to submit any financial aid forms?

Yes, you will need to submit the FAFSA (the application is free and may open additional grant, scholarship, work and even student loan opportunities). You must also answer the supplemental financial aid questions in your portal or submit the CSS profile.

9. Can I attend a Rhodes study abroad session in a fall or spring term?

Yes, as a Rhodes student, Tuition Exchange is available for both semester and year-long Rhodes, Exchange and Affiliated study abroad programs.

10. Are graduate studies offered through Tuition Exchange?

No, Rhodes, as most schools in the TE program, participates at the undergraduate level only.

11. What are the academic requirements for maintaining a TE scholarship?

Students must meet the Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards as outlined in the Rhodes College Handbook, maintain a 2.0 GPA and enroll a minimum of 12 units/credits per semester.

12. Do I need to apply every year for the scholarship?

No, the Tuition Liaison Officers at both the import and export schools will handle the recertification process. The award is covered through graduation or a maximum of 8 semesters as long as eligibility requirements are met.

13. When will Rhodes recertify my Import TE eligibility annually?

Rhodes will recertify each year annually in September. However, please be aware that Rhodes reviews all Import student records at the conclusion of each semester to confirm that the student has met the academic requirements and the parent has maintained employment eligibility for the TE scholarship.

14. What happens if my parent is no longer employed at the exporting institution? The scholarship will be terminated at the end of the semester in which the parent leaves their position.

15. Are there academic/service requirements I need to meet to apply for a TE scholarship?

No, there are no academic or service requirements that need to be met to apply for a TE scholarship.

16. I was offered a Rhodes scholarship; can I keep both?

TE Scholarships may replace institutional aid awarded to the student. Please speak with your admission counselor if you have questions.

17. Who can I talk to about applying to Rhodes?

Your counselor in the Rhodes Office of Admission will be happy to help you with the application process. Please contact 800-847-5969 or email adminfo@rhodes.edu to speak with your admission counselor.