What Makes Rhodes Special?

Rhodes offers a combination of classroom and real-world experience that few colleges can match. Our students have every opportunity to do cutting-edge research with our highly qualified faculty, off-campus in work settings, or on their own during the summer. They study here in Memphis – one of America’s largest cities. Through one or more internships, they gain practical experience, business connections and knowledge of the career area they seek to enter. Some of our most popular areas of study include business and the sciences. Our faculty, who are scholar-mentors, have the welfare of their students as their top priority. They seek out opportunities for their growth and development, challenging them to be the best at whatever they choose to do.
Rhodes is consistently rated among the best colleges in the United States. Below are a few of the accolades the college has garnered in the last few years:

- Top 50 National Liberal Arts Colleges — US News & World Report
- Top 100 — Forbes’ “America’s Top Colleges”
- Best Southeastern College — The Princeton Review’s Best 376 Colleges
- Top 30 colleges nationally that contribute to the public good, and second on the list for students doing service work — The Washington Monthly
- Top 35 Liberal Arts Colleges nationally for high-quality education at an affordable price — Kiplinger’s Personal Finance Magazine
- Top 20 nationally for “students who study the most” — The Princeton Review’s Best 376 Colleges
- Top 35 Colleges in the United States for students who study abroad — Institute of International Education’s Open Doors report

One of only 280 colleges and universities in the United States with a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the oldest and most prestigious academic organization in the U.S.

Memphis, Business and Internships

At Rhodes, we are committed to offering students every advantage as they prepare for their careers in business, science and other fields. Our urban location allows us to offer tremendous opportunities for internships. International students are some of the most attractive students to employers; their knowledge of other languages and cultural experience are valued attributes. All of our students who wish to participate may find internships, working for such companies as Deloitte & Touche, Ernst & Young, FedEx, International Paper, Medtronic and Morgan Stanley. It is not unusual for our students to complete multiple internships while receiving academic credit for the experience.

Independent Rankings of Rhodes College

Those who would like to study outside the U.S. may take advantage of our study abroad options. Sixty-five percent of Rhodes students study outside the U.S. in order to broaden their understanding of the world. Students choose from programs lasting a month, semester or year in nearly every country around the globe.

Need-based financial aid for international students (non-U.S. citizens) is limited. Aid is awarded in the form of grants or “gift aid,” which varies in dollar amounts according to each student’s demonstrated financial need. International students may also be considered for on-campus student employment. Rhodes does consider an international student’s ability to pay for a Rhodes education when making the admission decision. Only international students who are unable to meet our costs should apply for need-based financial aid.

Typically, competition for admission among international applicants seeking aid is more difficult than for international students who do not require financial assistance. Students wishing to apply for such assistance must complete the international student college Scholarship Service PROFILE (CSS PROFILE). Rhodes does not provide fee waivers for the CSS PROFILE. Students must demonstrate an ability to pay their portion of Rhodes’ costs over a four-year period. All international students, regardless of consideration for need-based aid, must complete the International Student Certification of Finances, which is required to issue a visa from the United States government.

International applicants may be eligible and competitive for merit-based scholarships ranging from $8,000 to $20,000. Scholarships are highly competitive and are awarded by the Admission staff based on an evaluation of the applicant’s academic and personal merit. Other merit scholarships offered by the college are by invitation only. For more information regarding merit-based aid, please go to the Rhodes website: rhodes.edu/finaid/455.asp

Academics at Rhodes

The strength of Rhodes’ academic programs is a direct reflection of the strength of our faculty, scholars-mentors who inspire intellectual curiosity. A 10:1 student-faculty ratio and an average class size of 34 mean that you get the kind of individual faculty attention usually only available to graduate students at large universities. All Rhodes classes are taught by world-class professors, not graduate assistants. They know you and reach out to connect you to interesting opportunities that bring learning to life and life to learning – and help you achieve your goals.
Majors

- Anthropology/Sociology
- Art
- Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
- Biology
- Commerce and Business
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Economics
- English
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Studies
- French
- German Studies
- Greek and Roman Studies
- History
- International Studies
- Latin American Studies
- Mathematics
- Music
- Neuroscience
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Economy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Russian Studies
- Spanish
- Theatre
- Urban Studies

Geographic Distribution of Current Rhodes Students—Fall 2012

Rhodes students also come from Asia, the Bahamas, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Italy, Hungary, Kenya, Latvia, the Netherlands, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and Zambia. Approximately 4.2% of the Rhodes student body are non-U.S. citizens.

Admission to Rhodes College

Apply for free! Go to rhodes.edu/admission/429.asp.

In order to apply to Rhodes you will need to submit the following documents:

- Common Application and the Rhodes Supplement
- High school transcript
- SAT or ACT test scores
- TOEFL score (minimum score of 80) or IELTS score (minimum score of 7.0) if English is not your native language
- Teacher recommendation
- School report form

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