Marshall, Mitchell, and Rhodes – Yale Application Timeline and Deadlines for 2021-2022
Fellowship Programs, Yale Center for International & Professional Experience

➢ Updated forms and information about the Yale application process should be available online by May, via the Yale Student Grants Database (http://studentgrants.yale.edu/). Subscribe to our newsletter for all the latest information and reminders.
➢ Interested Yale applicants, having done some research on their own, are encouraged to schedule an appointment with Rebekah Westphal, Director of Fellowship Programs and adviser for UK and Irish Fellowships.

March - June

• Research degree courses at universities in the UK and Ireland (as well as US options). Information is available online through the Fellowships website’s Resources for Study in the UK and Ireland (http://funding.yale.edu/fellowships/graduate-study-uk-ireland), and through official Marshall, Mitchell, and Rhodes websites.

• Consult faculty mentors about suitable graduate programs, make an appointment for a one-on-one Fellowships advising appointment, talk to Graduate Fellowship Affiliates and other contacts (ask for suggestions from the wide Yale network).

• Review Yale application information via the Yale Student Grants Database. Official online application systems will be available for the Marshall from late spring, for Mitchell from April, and for the Canadian and US Rhodes from June.
  o Rhodes competitions in countries other than the US and Canada have different deadlines and requirements than those listed here, so check them individually. Although only the US, Canadian and Global Rhodes require university endorsement via Yale, Fellowships staff gladly advise Yale applicants for other competitions.

• Think about who might write strong letters of reference. Make initial contacts with people you hope will write your references (see advice on Fellowships website about the best way to ask for letters)
  o Only 3 letters need to be requested for the campus endorsement process by the preliminary deadline, on August 2.
  o IF YOU ARE ENDORSED BY YALE, you may need extra letters by the beginning of October, so plan ahead:
    ▪ MARSHALL requires 3 letters. (1 primary/overview letter, 1 general academic letter, 1 letter which speaks to leadership)
    ▪ MITCHELL requires 4 letters. (At least 2 must be from faculty who have taught you).
    ▪ RHODES requires 5-8 letters. (At least 4 must be from faculty who have taught you/supervised research; the Canadian Rhodes requires exactly 6).

• Begin work on essays and ‘proposed academic programme(s).’ Seek advice on the Fellowships website, from your academic advisers, college writing tutor, Fellowships staff, Graduate Fellowship Affiliates among others.
  o IMPORTANT NOTE: Students applying for RHODES (Canadian, US and other national competitions) may not receive feedback or comments of any description on personal statements from anyone.

July – August

• Begin an application in the Yale Student Grants Database before the preliminary campus deadline on August 2 (see below).
• **MARBAL** applicants: order any official *non-Yale* transcripts to be sent to the Fellowships office by the August 16 campus deadline.

• August is also a good time to begin working on applications for admission to British/Irish universities if planning to apply independently – this is not required to apply for Marshall, Mitchell, or Rhodes but it is recommended if you want to pursue other funding options. Other fellowship deadlines will follow soon: US Gates Cambridge, Churchill deadlines are in October.

**BY MONDAY AUGUST 2, 2021 @ 1pm – PRELIMINARY CAMPUS DEADLINE**

Late applications will not be accepted.

• To be eligible to apply for Yale’s endorsement for Marshall/Mitchell/Rhodes you must:
  - Begin an application in the [Yale Student Grants Database](https://www.yale.edu) for “Marshall, Mitchell, and Rhodes – Common Application for Yale Endorsement.” (Alumni who have trouble accessing the Database should contact [studentgrants@yale.edu](mailto:studentgrants@yale.edu) for help)
  - Officially request your 3 letters of reference via the application in the Yale Students Grants Database.
  - IF YOU MISS THIS PRELIMINARY CAMPUS DEADLINE without prior permission (granted only in extraordinary circumstances), you may not apply for Yale’s endorsement for these fellowships this year.

**BY MONDAY AUGUST 16, 2021 @ 1pm – CAMPUS APPLICATION DEADLINE**

Late applications will not be accepted.

• Submit required application materials in the [Yale Student Grants Database](https://www.yale.edu) **EVEN IF LETTERS ARE NOT IN.**
  1. A PDF of the one appropriate official online application (found via the official website), including all essays, as follows:
     a. **MARSHALL:** If applying for Marshall, whether alone or with Mitchell and/or Rhodes, submit a pdf of your completed Marshall essay questions – 5 questions in total – which can be found in the [official Marshall application](https://www.yale.edu).
     b. **MITCHELL:** If applying only for Mitchell, submit a pdf of your [official online application](https://www.yale.edu) (open in April). If applying for Mitchell and either Marshall or Rhodes, submit either your Marshall or Rhodes application as appropriate and for the Mitchell only the list of proposed Irish universities and degrees.
     c. **RHODES:** If applying only for Rhodes (or for Rhodes and Mitchell, but not Marshall), submit a pdf of your Rhodes personal statement. If applying for Marshall and Rhodes, for Rhodes submit only which Oxford course(s) of study you’re proposing.

    **NOTE:** Please DO NOT enter endorser information or click to submit official applications, except via the Yale Database.

• The required questions in the Common Application for Endorsement.

• A detailed résumé (two pages max).

• Transcripts
  a. **Yale College:** an unofficial Yale transcript is fine.
  b. **NON-Yale College,** if applicable: if applying for the Marshall, please have an official transcript from each college/university attended other than Yale College sent directly to the Fellowships office by the campus deadline August 16. If applying only for Yale’s endorsement for the Mitchell and/or US/Canadian Rhodes, copies of unofficial transcripts will be fine for the campus competition and may be submitted via the Yale Database.

**IMPORTANT NOTES:**

- Please DO NOT click to submit your application(s) via the official national application system(s) unless asked to do so by the Fellowships Office.
- Do not enter endorser information
- Do not ask recommenders to upload their letters via the official national applications systems over the summer.

**August 30 – September 10**

• Campus Endorsement Interviews with the Yale Marshall/Mitchell/Rhodes Committee to determine which applications to endorse for further competition.
Late September

- Finalization of applications by endorsed candidates. Final letters of reference are uploaded – by their writers, not by candidates – into the official application system to be received by the national deadline.

September 20

- Deadline by which endorsed MARSHALL candidates must electronically submit final versions of their official applications; also, the latest recommended date for uploading letters, so that all may be officially submitted to the Marshall Commission by the Fellowships office by the national deadline.

NATIONAL DEADLINES

Final applications, letters of recommendation, transcripts, and endorsements MUST be submitted by the deadlines. Plan ahead and avoid undue stress!

- **MARSHALL**: Tuesday, September 28, 2021 @ 5pm EST (but see additional deadline above)
  - If your application is endorsed by Yale for the Marshall, you will need to finalize and click to submit your official application electronically by (Sep 20) to ensure that it is forwarded to the Marshall Commission by the national deadline on (Sept. 25).

- **MITCHELL**: Friday September 24, 2021 @ 5pm EST

- **CANADIAN RHODES**: Monday, September 27, 2021

- **US RHODES**: Wednesday October 6, 2021 @ 11:59pm

October – Early November

- Endorsed candidates may wish to apply for admissions directly to British/Irish universities.
- Finalists are selected and notified of interviews and do practice interviews arranged by Fellowships Programs.

Late October

- Mitchell may do semi-finalist interviews via Skype.

Mid-November

- Marshall regional committees interview selected finalists. Winners notified shortly thereafter, but official announcement is later.

November 19-20, 2021

- Mitchell Finalist interviews in Washington, DC. Winners are announced shortly thereafter.
- US Rhodes district committees interview selected finalists. Winners announced on the spot.

Late November

- Canadian Rhodes provincial committees interview selected finalists. Winners are announced shortly thereafter.