Recommender Guidance - 2016 Rhodes Scholarship

Important Dates:

- **September 1, 2015** - Campus Nomination Deadline
  Recommenders are encouraged to share letters with the nominating committee by this date. Past recommendations or draft letters work at this stage as well.

- **September 25, 2015** – Deadline for sharing recommendations with the Director of Scholar Development. Thank you for sharing (at least a draft version of) your recommendation with me by email at kelly-thornburg@uiowa.edu by this date to allow me to include your perspective in our institutional nomination letter as requested by the Rhodes Trust.

- **October 1, 2015** - Deadline for submission of final nominee applications and recommendations. Because online application portals can and do malfunction, I encourage writers to upload their letters into the system by **5 PM on Tuesday, September 30, 2015**, but letters MUST be in the application system by **11:59 PM Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)** on Thursday, October 1, 2015.

Resources for Recommenders:

- The Rhodes Trust’s **2015 Referee Guide**

This guide includes direction on the following topics:

- A brief description of the scholarship’s mission and requirements,
- Insight into what kind of content the district committees find most useful, and
- Step-by-step directions for uploading your letter to Rhode’s Embark application portal once you receive your electronic submission prompt*.

*This prompt is generated when the student enters your information into the application platform.

*If you have not yet received the electronic invitations to submit your letters of recommendation from the Rhodes organization, please let me or your nominee know as soon as possible.*

Address and Salutation:
I’ve included the appropriate address and salutation information for your final letter below, which should be saved on letterhead with a formal signature. A Formatted sample recommendation is available on our website.

**Address for Rhodes District 12:**
Joel K. Goldstein,
Secretary, Rhodes District 12
Saint Louis University School of Law,
100 North Tucker Boulevard,
St. Louis, MO 63101

**Sample Salutation for Rhodes District Committee:**
Dear Secretary Goldstein and the 2016 Rhodes District 12 Committee:

Institutional Contact at the University of Iowa:
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