

IF YOU ARE APPLYING FOR A MARSHALL SCHOLARSHIP, PLEASE FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS:

The Marshall application is available at <http://www.marshallscholarship.org>. The Marshall page is really excellent and provides an easy way for you to research the opportunities for study at universities in the UK. You may consider Oxford, Cambridge, or LSE, but you should look at others that may be well known for your area of study/interest as well.

The Marshall application requires **four** letters of recommendation (all but one must be in the US during the selection process).

1. The campus deadline is September 14, 2007. To apply, you must create an account online <https://secure.marshallscholarship.org/onlineapp/candidates/preregister.epl>. Please make a note of the e-mail address you have used and your password, as you will need it if you wish to work on your application for more than one session. Before applying for a 2008 Marshall Scholarship, candidates must read the [2008 Rules for Candidates](#) and [2008 Memorandum of Guidance to Candidates](#).
2. Read the application carefully and discuss any part you don't understand with me--look at the details. You will complete the on-line application and then submit it to me.
3. Make sure you meet the eligibility requirements; make a filing system and get organized.
4. Contact your referees as soon as possible. When they agree to write a letter in support of your application you should offer to provide a resume and/or copy of your personal statement so that they can learn more about you. Once you create an account and indicate who your referees will be, they will automatically receive an email with instructions and the appropriate form for the letter. All components of the application are handled electronically, so your letters will be sent electronically and stored in the system. Please ask your recommenders to send the letter in by the 9/14 campus deadline so the committee can review it with the application.
5. Meet with faculty members, write and rewrite your personal statement. Remember that every word you write will be scrutinized by the Marshall selection committee members. Don't write anything that you are unsure of--no grand generalities or vague statements. They want to know about you and your intellectual promise as well as your leadership, academic and community involvement. I have some handouts and samples of successful essays for your review in the office.
6. Be sure to complete the final application by the deadline stated in the information. I will be happy to help you to assemble your application.

7. Submit your application electronically by the **September 14 deadline**. This will give the Committee members a week or so to read your application, make suggestions and talk with you about your application. You will still have time, then, to make last minute changes and additions.
8. Once you have decided to apply, you will have an interview with member(s) of the committee --this will be an important practice for a Marshall interview if you are invited-- it will also give the committee more information and impressions to be used in our endorsement letter. I will arrange the interview schedule as soon as you I see that you are definitely submitting an application ---the earlier, the better--more time for rewrites and revisions.
9. **I will help you assemble things if you need assistance.**

I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU. LET ME KNOW AS SOON AS YOU HAVE MADE THE DECISION TO APPLY. WE ARE READY TO HELP YOU THROUGH THIS PROCESS.

If you are asked to go to a Marshall interview at the regional level, we will try to provide a mock interview panel to help you get ready for the real thing. Keep in mind that this is an extremely competitive process. Do everything well --be neat and precise as well as honest and forthright--- be dazzling too!

GOOD LUCK AND KEEP IN TOUCH WITH MY OFFICE.

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