

RISE Scholarship Program

From Schmidt Futures and the Rhodes Trust



What is it?

[RISE](#) is a global talent program designed to bring together a cohort of exceptional young people, who are committed to making a difference in their communities, and providing them with lifelong mentorship, scholarships, and other resources. An initiative of Schmidt Futures and the Rhodes Trust, this program is predicated on the belief that the world's most important problems will be solved by tomorrow's leaders. By identifying and developing outstanding young people from around the world, RISE will ensure that the next generation of emerging talent realizes their full potential for global impact.

Who is it for?

- Quick learners who frequently challenge themselves with new problems;
- Students with a calling or passion for any topic, subject, cause, or initiative;
- Emerging leaders who are honest and have strong moral principles and who empathizes with others;
- Talented young people who are willing to use the support of Rise to make their ideas a reality;
- **Must be 15-17 years old.** Open to applicants from **all countries**.

What do you get?

- **Lifelong access** to: scholarships for higher education, professional development opportunities, funding for social impact ideas, technology package, free online courses, career services and mentorship;
- Attend a fully funded residential summit to explore leadership, service, and future career paths;
- Up to \$5 million total in seed funding to implement ideas and opportunities for future investments;
- Connection to a network of like-minded peers and experts, globally.

How do I apply? process?

Apply by downloading the [Hello World – Rise app](#), available on Google Play and the Apple App Store. Those unable to access the app can contact Rise to apply through alternative platforms. The first step is to create a profile on the app by **January 29, 2021**. Applicants then have to complete the Rise Challenge by submitting an individual project demonstrating your interests, abilities, and drive by **April 1, 2021**. Up to 500 finalists will be invited for an interview between May and July 2021 and up to 100 Global Winners will be announced in July 2021. All applicants will continue to be a part of the RISE community regardless of outcome.

About the Sponsors

- [Schmidt Futures](#) is a philanthropic initiative that finds exceptional people and helps them do more for others together. Founded by Eric and Wendy Schmidt, Schmidt Futures brings talent together into networks, bets on the most promising ideas through competition, and equips people to scale through partners and thoughtful application of modern tools.
- [Rhodes Trust](#), based at the University of Oxford, brings together and develops exceptional people from all over the world, and in all fields of study, who are impatient with the way things are and have the courage to act. Established in 1903, they are the oldest and perhaps the most prestigious international graduate scholarship program in the world.

Need support?

Want help creating a winning application? Schedule an office hour appointment by emailing Dr. [Andrew Nelson](#), Senior Director, Shared Prosperity in the Office of Applied Innovation at Arizona State University.

For other inquiries about the program, please email rise@schmidtfutures.com