

Meet OSSM Alumnus . . .

Mubeen Shakir
2013 Rhodes Scholar
OSSM Class of 2010

“OSSM has been the best academic decision I have made. I would not be here without it and the faculty who make it great.”

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Mubeen Shakir (OSSM Class of 2010) is now a senior at the University of Oklahoma majoring in biochemistry. Dedicated to a career in medicine, particularly oncology, he has done research at OU Health Sciences in Pediatrics and Urology, Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation in the Free Radical Biology Program as a Presidential Scholar, and Columbia University Medical Center. He also developed an iPad application and commercialization strategy for a high school football concussion detection tool at OU's Center for Creation of Economic Wealth. He co-founded an education program for underprivileged youth, tutors young people in the Muslim community, and writes an opinion column for the student newspaper.

The American Rhodes Scholar Class of 2013 was elected from a pool of 838 candidates nominated by their colleges and universities. They will begin courses at Oxford this year in a wide variety of academic disciplines.

Rhodes Scholarships are the oldest and most celebrated international fellowship awards in the world. Each year 32 young Americans are selected for outstanding scholarly achievements, character, commitment to others and the common good, and leadership potential. The Rhodes Trust, a British charity honoring the will and bequest of Cecil J. Rhodes, provides full financial support for Rhodes Scholars to pursue degrees at the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom. The first American Rhodes Scholars entered Oxford in 1904.

Born and Raised: Oklahoma City **Home High School:** Casady School

Awards: Outstanding Senior of OU College of Arts and Sciences, President's Award for Outstanding Sophomores, President's Award for Outstanding Freshmen, OMRP Presidential Scholar, National Merit Scholar, Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholar

Plans: To pursue a Master's in Immunology in his first year at Oxford and a Master's in Radiation Biology in his second year. Afterward, to return to the U.S. for medical school.

“My ultimate goal is to become a physician-scientist, practicing as a clinical oncologist while maintaining a translational research lab.”

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