



Post Mentoring

Mentoring is one of SAME's most important goals, and toward that end Posts are encouraged to develop College Outreach plans to involve local college and university students and encourage their pursuit of careers in the A/E/C field. Remember, the students you mentor today will be the leaders of tomorrow!

Posts can work with students toward this goal by:

- Encouraging students to sign up as student members of SAME. Student membership is free for two-year, four-year, trade, and service academy students.
- Sending student leaders from your Student Chapter to a national SAME event. Registration for student members is free to JETC and SBC. Support their attendance and mentor them onsite to aid in their networking.
- Promoting job opportunities and internships to your student members.
- Recruiting alumni from the local colleges or universities to become involved in your Post and position them to mentor current students.
- Encouraging graduating college students to become professional members of SAME involved with the SAME Young Member Council. Their student membership ends 6 - months after graduation.
- Hosting programs and activities that involve students majoring in engineering, architecture or construction from a local college or university. The activity or program should focus on the mentoring of students.
- Sponsoring a Student Chapter at a local college or university that has a program for students in engineering, architecture or construction. [Click here to access the student chapter application.](#) To learn more about the process, [click here to download the Student Chapter Guidance Manual.](#)
- Assisting the student chapter by suggesting meeting topics, speakers and field trips to SAME member offices or work sites.
- Seeking out faculty members that may be SAME members, and get them involved as Faculty Advisors.

Recognition

Recognition is one of the key components in engaging young leaders in the Society. To that end, the Society created two awards that offer Posts a way to recognize the leadership and involvement of college and university students:

National Student Leadership Medal--presented to a Student Member who has made the most outstanding contribution at a college or university in the current academic year to SAME objectives. ([Click here for more details.](#))

Distinguished Student Chapter—recognizes student chapters that advance mentoring and career development for their members. ([Click here for more details.](#))

Bliss Medal--awarded to a SAME member in recognition of superior efforts in mentoring students in engineering and related disciplines. ([Click here for more details.](#))