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# SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS

## SAVANNAH POST

The Savannah Post, Society of American Military Engineers, may award up to five recurring scholarships for the **2023/2024** school year for a degree in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM) of study for entry into an architectural, engineering, environmental, OR construction career. These recurring scholarships are in the amount of \$2,500 for each year of college, up to a total of \$12,500 per scholarship recipient over the course of his/her college career. The scholarship is open to a high school senior or current college student (freshman, sophomore, junior). The recipients will be required to be revalidated each subsequent award year to ensure they continue to meet the grade and curriculum requirements. All scholarships will be awarded to the most deserving applicants based on academic achievement, participation in extracurricular activities, and affiliation with SAME.

Applicants must submit completed applications by **Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023**. To be eligible for a scholarship, applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. Be a high school senior planning to enroll or current college student currently enrolled in a science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) or related curriculum at an accredited college or university. Enrollment must be planned for the **2023/2024** school year. Revalidation will consist of resubmitting the scholarship application and meeting the B average in an engineering, math or related major.
2. Have a minimum of a B average (3.0 on 4.0 scale), whether college or high school. Higher grade point averages will garner greater preference.
3. Meet **at least one** of the following:
  - a. Savannah Post SAME member or member of a sustaining firm.
  - b. A dependent of a Savannah Post SAME member or member of a sustaining firm.
  - c. Be sponsored by a Savannah Post SAME member or member of a sustaining firm.
4. Provide a completed application form to include: letters of recommendation (maximum of 3) from high school or college advisor, academic instructors or immediate supervisor; copy of high school or college transcript; copy of SAT/ACT results; **headshot photo**; short bio, including the name of your high school or college, your parents' names, your extracurricular activities and interests; your contact information (email and cell phone); and a 2-page, double-spaced essay that discusses why you should be a recipient of a SAME scholarship.

After a review by the Scholarship Committee, the Savannah Post will announce the winners in **June 2023**. The winners will be presented the scholarship checks at the **June 2023** SAME Savannah Annual Program Review.

Sincerely,  
Matt Raehn  
STEM Chair

**SAVANNAH POST, SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS**  
**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM DETAILS**  
**(2023 - 2024 Academic Year)**

**Purpose:** To encourage and assist qualified students who wish to pursue a college education in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) or related degrees so that they, in turn, might further the goals and exemplify the ideals of the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME).

**Terms:** Five annually recurring scholarships in the amount of \$2,500.00 per year distributed over up to five academic years for a maximum total of \$12,500 each. Awards will be made for the 2023/2024 academic year and must be revalidated each subsequent year for continued annual distribution of the follow-on awards. Eligible applicants may win only one multi-year scholarship, starting in 2023. Applicants who have received single year scholarships from SAME Savannah Post in years prior to 2023 are eligible to apply for the remainder of their college curriculum, provided revalidation requirements are met.

**Eligibility Requirements:**

1. Active member, son, daughter, grandson, or granddaughter of an active or deceased member of the Savannah Post SAME, where active member is defined as being a current member (at the time of the application) who has held current membership for 1 continuous year or more; student member of SAME; son/daughter or grandson/granddaughter of an employee of a current sustaining member firm (the Corps of Engineers is considered a sustaining member firm); employee of current sustaining member firm; or applicant must be sponsored by, and receive a letter of recommendation from, an active member of the Savannah Post SAME.
2. Graduating high school student or current college student.
3. Accepted by or attending an accredited college or university for 2023/2024 school year.

**Selection Criteria:**

1. Graduating high school applicants: SAT or ACT test results. Higher score will receive greater preference.
2. Grade point average. Higher average will receive greater preference.
3. Recommendation by advisor and/or instructor.
4. Required major in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) or related degrees.
5. Evidence of serious scholastic attitude, good character, leadership qualities, and well-rounded personal development.
6. Preference to student with military aspirations, as exemplified by enrollment in Officer Training program or previous military service.
7. Evidence that there is a Financial Need for this Scholarship

**2023 Schedule:**

**May 12th:** Deadline for receipt of applications.

**June 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Notification to scholarship recipients.

**Annual Program Review (End of June):** Distribution of scholarship funds, recipients strongly encouraged to attend Annual Program Review at the end of June. Details provided to recipients.

**SAVANNAH POST, SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION  
(2023 – 2024 Academic Year)**

(Please print or type all information)

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Last Name      First Name      Middle Name      Suffix

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Current Mailing Address

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
Preferred Phone No. & type (cell, home)      E-mail Address

4. \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Legal Guardian Name      Phone No.

5. \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Legal Guardian Mailing Address

6. Are either of your parents/legal guardian (or any of your grandparents) a member of the SAME Savannah Post? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

7. Are either of your parents (or any of your grandparents) an employee of a sustaining member firm of the SAME Savannah Post? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

8. If answer to either #6 or #7 is yes, please give full name of parent/legal guardian/grandparent; relationship; and name of sustaining member firm (if applicable):

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Full Name      Relationship      Sustaining Member Firm (if applicable)

9. If being sponsored by an active member of the Savannah Post, please give full name of individual and relationship to the sponsor.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Full Name of Active Member

10. Are you a student member of SAME? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, name of Post \_\_\_\_\_

11. Are you an employee of a sustaining member firm? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, name of firm and office location \_\_\_\_\_

12. \_\_\_\_\_  
High School      City, State      High School Graduation Date

13. \_\_\_\_\_  
High School Cumulative GPA

14. \_\_\_\_\_  
College You Plan to Attend Proposed Area of Study  
(If already attending college, skip to #15)

15. Have you attended or are you currently attending a college or university?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, list them, your grade point average, and your major.

College/University	Cumulative GPA	Major	Years Remaining to Receive Degree

16. Estimated Total Cost of **2023-2024** (tuition, room & board, books, etc.)  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total estimated other aid expected \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Total Personal Contribution (self and parents) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

College/University	Cumulative GPA	Major	Years Remaining to Receive Degree
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**\*\*Are there any financial hardships that you or your family are/have been experiencing that the Savannah Post Scholarship Committee should be aware of in determining financial need?**

17. Please describe in 50 words or less your reasons for choosing the area of study listed in #14 or #15.

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18. List membership in high school and/or college honor societies and extracurricular activities.

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19. Do you have plans for a military career? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, briefly describe:

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20. Are you now a member of your high school ROTC unit?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

(Check here if there is not an ROTC unit at your high school \_\_\_\_\_)

21. Are you now or do you plan to become a member of your college ROTC unit?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

(Check here if there is not an ROTC unit at your college \_\_\_\_\_)

22. In order to be eligible for this scholarship, you must submit the following with this application.

A. A current (including most recent completed term) certified copy of your high school or college transcript.

B. The names, telephone numbers and email addresses of two references, one of whom must be your science or math teacher or your counselor.

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Reference #1, Position, Phone No. & Email address

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Reference #2, Position, Phone No. & Email address

C. Letters of recommendation from two references may be attached to this application; or your references may scan and email the letters directly to the address below. The letters must be received by **May 12th, 2023**.

23. Short Bio: Provide a brief paragraph including the name of your high school or college, your parents' names, and your extracurricular activities and interests to be included in Post Newsletter and announcements, should you be selected for award (may include as attachment).

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24. Headshot: Attach current headshot photo (jpeg or tiff electronic file suitable for use on Post Website if awarded)
25. Essay: In a maximum of 2 pages, double-spaced essay, (Arial or Times New Roman font, 12 pitch if typed) please explain why you should be the recipient of a **2023-2024 SAME** scholarship.

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Your Signature

Date

**Application Package Submittal – All Applications MUST Be Submitted Electronically – Please scan appropriate documents into one PDF file, which includes: this application form, essay, your transcript, and recommendation letters (recommendation letters may be sent separately by the authors); plus electronic file for headshot photo; and e-mail the submittal to: Matt Raehn at mraehn@aerotek.com. All application data must be received by May 12th, 2023.**

Questions can be directed to Mr. Raehn at 843-384-8443, or the e-mail address above.