



*Society of American Military Engineers (SAME)
Academy of Fellows*

Fellows' Charge & Pledge

CHARGE

I charge you to support SAME's mission and Strategic Plan. A Fellow knows the value of national security and emergency response; education and training; professional relationships across all sectors; relevant and inspiring programs; and the importance of recognizing achievements. A Fellow has a broad perspective and a vision for the future growth of SAME in alignment with our *Strategic Plan*. May the Eagle on your medallion remind you to contribute to the vision and mission of SAME.

I charge you to be a role model. A Fellow adopts and practices SAME's values and sets and abides by the highest ethical and professional standards. A Fellow exemplifies the highest level of technical competency and seeks continual self improvement. A Fellow promotes and understands that public health, safety and our national security depend on the ethics and competencies of our members. May the castle on your medallion remind you to be a role model of absolute integrity.

I charge you to be a mentor. A Fellow fully understands the importance of growing future professionals and leaders and continually seeks opportunities to do so. A Fellow actively participates in SAME education, training and professional development programs, sharing experience, insight and enthusiasm. May the laurel branch with berries on your medallion remind you to remain a mentor throughout your professional career.

I charge you to support SAME Posts. A Fellow dedicates time, energy and leadership to his/her local Posts and actively works to improve the Post programs for the benefit of all. A Fellow invests in our future, strongly encouraging the participation of young professionals and student members and challenging them with appropriate Post duties. A Fellow actively contributes to Post education and mentoring programs. May the banner on your medallion remind you to promote Post activities and celebrate Post achievements with pride.

I charge you to be patriotic and respectful. A Fellow is loyal and courageous, leading by example, and proclaiming allegiance to country and its democratic principles. A Fellow supports those in harms way—uniformed personnel, civilians, contractors—who protect America's freedom, safety and health. A Fellow respects and honors our veterans and the families of those who protect us. May the shield on your medallion remind you to promote patriotism and respect the countless, selfless sacrifices made for our nation.

PLEDGE

I pledge to fulfill the charges to me as a SAME Fellow. I will be a role model and mentor, supporting SAME's mission and being active in our Posts. I will understand the national direction and translate it into action at the Post level. I will support those who serve to protect our freedoms and way of life. So help me God.