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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 **2017/2018** school year. These recurring scholarships are in the amount of \$1,500 for each year of college, up to a total of \$7,500 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 **May 2, 2017**. To be eligible for a scholarship, applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. Be a high school senior planning to enroll in a science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) or related curriculum at an accredited college or university. Enrollment must be planned for the **2017/2018** 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 an SAME scholarship.

After a review by the Scholarship Committee, the Savannah Post will announce the winners in early **June 2017**. The winners will be presented the scholarship checks at the **July 2017** membership meeting.

Sincerely,

Gwen Parker
Vice President

Enclosure: Application Form

**SAVANNAH POST, SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM DETAILS
(2017 - 2018 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 \$1,500.00 per year distributed over up to five academic years for a maximum total of \$7,500 each. Awards will be made for the **2017/2018** 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 **2017**. Applicants who have received single year scholarships from SAME Savannah Post in years prior to **2017** 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.

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.

2017 Schedule:

- May 2: Deadline for receipt of applications.
June 5: Notification to scholarship recipients.
July 17: Distribution of scholarship funds, recipients expected to attend luncheon meeting at Pirates' House, Savannah, GA. Details provided to recipients.

**SAVANNAH POST, SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
(2017 – 2018 Academic Year)**

(Please print or type all information)

1.

Applicant's Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Suffix
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2.

Applicant's Current Mailing Address

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Preferred Phone No. & type (cell, home)	E-mail Address
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Parent/Legal Guardian Name	Phone No.
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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):

Full Name	Relationship	Sustaining Member Firm (if applicable)
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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
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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

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16. Estimated Total Cost of **2017-2018** (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

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

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

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

If yes, briefly describe:

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.

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

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 2, 2017**.

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).

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 **2017-2018 SAME** scholarship.

26.

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: Gwen Parker at gwennette.parker@gmail.com. All application data must be received by May 2, 2017.

Questions can be directed to Ms. Parker at 912-704-3526, or the e-mail address above.