THE SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS (SAME) OMAHA POST SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Article I

1. These Omaha Post Scholarships shall be offered annually, one to a graduating High School senior participating in the Omaha Post’s Student Mentoring Program (SMP) or similar Post or school sponsored engineering/architectural activities and the other four to current college students enrolled in an engineering/architectural program or a related field at any accredited university/college.

2. The scholarship awarded hereunder shall be in the amount of One Thousand and no/100 Dollars ($1,000.00) for incoming freshman and sophomores. Scholarships for students entering their junior, senior or fifth year of college shall be $2,000. As long as the awardee continues to meet the requirements put forth by the Omaha Post, the scholarship can be renewed each year for a total amount of Eight Thousand and no/100 Dollars ($8,000.00) if renewed for all five years. If a student finishes their course of study over four years, the scholarship will be increased to $4,000 on their fourth year. The maximum scholarship award will be Eight Thousand and no/100 Dollars ($8,000.00).

3. High school students meeting the following criteria shall be eligible to apply for this scholarship:
   a. Applications shall be received on or before March 1 preceding the Student Mentoring Program Awards Ceremony held each year.
   b. Candidate must be a senior in high school.
   c. Candidate must be nominated by a teacher. A teacher can nominate more than one student.
   d. Candidates must anticipate entering an engineering/architectural program or a related field at any accredited university/college.
   e. Candidates shall have a desired 3.0 or higher cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA).
   f. Candidates shall submit a 250 word essay discussing why the applicant selected his/her chosen field of study over other educational opportunities and what contribution the applicant will make to the engineering/architectural world.

4. College students meeting the following criteria shall be eligible to apply or this scholarship:
   a. Applications shall be received on or before March 1 (renewal applications shall be received on February 1) preceding the Student Mentoring Program Awards Ceremony held each year.
   b. Candidate must currently be a freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior enrolled in an engineering/architectural program or a related field at any accredited university/college.
   c. Candidates shall have a desired 3.0 or higher cumulative GPA.
   d. Candidates shall submit a 250 word essay describing what they have learned in their engineering studies to date, what they envision for their post-academic career and how SAME can play a role in fulfilling those career goals. This essay should demonstrate their knowledge of SAME and how they may be a part of SAME’s mission.
   e. To the extent possible, preference shall be given to students who are members, preferably committee members or officers, in good standing of their local Society of American Military Engineers Student Chapter.
   f. The Omaha Post will assign mentors for the scholars; for renewals, the candidate must have contact at least once a year with Omaha Post mentor.
5. All scholarships awarded hereunder shall be for one academic year. To renew the scholarship for the next academic year, the scholarship awardee needs to submit an updated application minus the essay to adam.r.plack@usace.army.mil or Adam Plack, 1002 Sterling Dr., Papillion, NE 68046, by February 1 verifying that they continue to meet the college criteria listed in paragraph 4 above.

6. In the event that a scholarship previously awarded becomes available (e.g. scholar changing degree programs or failing to meet minimum requirements), a new selection using the criteria described within Article I will be made. Note that announcement of the selection may be made via alternative means due to likelihood of differing timeframes.

7. College students not currently in receipt of an Omaha Post SAME scholarship are encouraged to apply in order to fill any “vacancies” resulting from one or more scholarships not being renewed. That is, if a student decides not to renew (or fails to meet minimum requirements for renewal), their scholarship will be awarded to another student, preferably one entering the same year of study. For example, Student A fails to renew their scholarship after sophomore year; that scholarship is then awarded to another student (Student B), who is preferably entering their junior year (i.e. the same class in which Student A would have been if continuing in the program). Please check with Adam Plack, adam.r.plack@usace.army.mil, before applying to make sure a vacancy is available.

8. Please use the attached application form and submit to adam.r.plack@usace.army.mil or Adam Plack, 1002 Sterling Dr., Papillion, NE 68046. Please note there are separate forms for the High School Scholarship and the College Scholarship. Make sure you use the correct form.

**Article II**

1. The recipient(s) of this scholarship shall be determined by the Scholarship Committee, which for the purposes of determining the recipient shall be composed of no less than three SAME members with no connections to the recipients.

2. To the extent possible, the Scholarships shall be awarded at the Student Mentoring Program Award Ceremony each year; in the event that timing doesn’t allow for the presentation at the Awards Ceremony, separate arrangements will be made for the presentation.

3. The Omaha Post Board shall be kept apprised in a timely manner of the Scholarship Committee’s activities.

4. This Scholarship shall be administered without regard to race, color, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, national origin or disability.

5. SAME reserves the right to increase or decrease this Scholarship.

6. If at any time, the Scholarship Committee determines that the purpose for which this Scholarship was established no longer exists, or cannot be reasonably carried out, the Scholarship Committee shall request the SAME Omaha Post Board to suspend the Scholarship.

7. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Scholarship may be amended or modified from time to time with the approval of the Omaha Post Board.
APPLICATION FOR
HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP
SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS, SAME, OMAHA POST
(Please type or print information)

Applicant’s Legal Name: ________________________________________________ (Type or Print)

______________________________________________
(Signature – Attesting to the validity and accuracy of the information provided on this application)

Email: __________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________
________________________________________________

Phone: __________________________________________________

High School Name: ________________________________________________

Grade in High School: ____________________________________________
(Must be Senior)

Grade Point Average: ________________
(3.0 or better)

(A transcript is not required as part of this application, however SAME may request a transcript for verification if necessary)

Nominated by: ________________________________________________
(Teacher, teacher can nominate more than one student) (Type or Print)

______________________________________________
(Signature)

Anticipated Degree Field & University/College: ____________________________

Candidates shall submit a 250 word essay discussing why the applicant selected his/her chosen field of study over other educational opportunities and what contribution the applicant will make to the engineering/architectural world.

Please submit this completed form and essay to adam.r.plack@usace.army.mil or Adam Plack, 1002 Sterling Dr., Papillion, NE 68046.
APPLICATION FOR
CURRENT COLLEGE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP
SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS, SAME, OMAHA POST
(Please type or print information)

Applicant’s Legal Name: ____________________________________________

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(Signature – Attesting to the validity and accuracy of the information provided
on this application)

Email: __________________________________________________________

Address: _________________________________________________________

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Phone: __________________________________________________________

Degree Field &
University/College: ______________________________________________

Year in School:
(Fr, So, Jr, Sr) _________________________________________________

Grade Point Average:
(3.0 or better cumulative GPA) _________________________________

(A transcript is not required as part of this application, however SAME may
request a transcript for verification if necessary)

Involvement in SAME
Student Chapter: _________________________________________________
(Include Student Member, Committee Member, Officer)

Contact with SAME Mentor:
(Renewal Only – list interactions with mentor) _________________________

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engineering studies to date, what they envision for their post-academic career and how
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