Student Membership in SAME

Student members represent the next generation of innovative STEM thinkers ready to take on society’s challenges. Recognizing the need to cultivate this valuable asset, SAME offers FREE membership to all full-time students enrolled in high school, 2-year or 4-year colleges and universities (through the undergraduate level), trade schools, and military academies.

As emerging professionals, you benefit from an array of programs meant to support your academic and professional development:

**Student Chapters**

Student chapters are located in colleges, universities, and academies across the country. They offer an opportunity for student members to start applying what they learn in the classroom into designing innovative solutions to real-world problems. Because they are sponsored by a Post, student chapters also provide an opportunity for deeper connections to local professionals. Find out if there is a student chapter near you by clicking here.

**Virtual Student Chapter**

Not located near a physical student chapter? Then join the Virtual Student Chapter, a boundaryless community that provides professional development workshops and training webinars throughout the year. From your member account, click on the member dashboard and join the Virtual Student Chapter in the *Communities of Interest* section.

**Internships**

Internships provide authentic STEM learning experiences for students. SAME recruits internship opportunities from member firms and Posts them in the Career Center on SAME.org.

**Scholarships**

SAME Posts collectively award more than $1 million annually for academic scholarships. The scholarships help defray the cost to student members stay on their path towards a STEM degree. Click here to see if there is a Post near your home or school that offers scholarship support.

**Mentoring**

While programs vary, Posts across the Society foster mentoring activities to aid students in their professional development. Click here to find a Post near your home or school and inquire whether they offer student mentoring. Some Posts will match you up with a local professional and some even transfer your mentoring to a Post near your school to support you at home and at school. You can also grow as a leader through volunteer opportunities at the local, regional and national levels.

**Access to Government and Industry**

By joining SAME, you become part of a community of architecture, engineering, and construction industry professionals giving you the opportunity you can engage with peers and potential employers, increase your
knowledge of the profession, and become a leader. You will understand what it takes to be successful in the profession, explore options for a career path, and develop a network that will serve you for a lifetime.

**Education and Training**

Registration is waived for student members to our national conferences like Capital Week, Joint Engineer Training Conference (JETC), Facility Management (FM) Workshop, or Small Business Conference. These premier events give you exposure to leaders in the field, help you understand where industry trends are headed, and let you access the latest technical information, all while networking, networking, networking.

**Communities of Interest**

As members, students can participate in a diverse collection of Communities of Interest representing themes within the A/E/C industry, such as the Energy and Environment COI, or Leader Development COI, or Facility Management COI. Whatever your technical background, you’re likely to find a COI that matches your interest. Join the College Outreach COI to help shape our student member engagement. Click here for a full list.

**Stay Informed**

Stay informed of industry news and technical advancements with online access to *The Military Engineer* magazine and Real TiME Newsletter.

**To Join**

Go to the student membership form by clicking here to join.

An SAME student membership remains active for as long as you are enrolled in high-school, pursuing a 2- or 4-year undergraduate degree full time, or enrolled in a trade program. You must provide your graduation date with your application.

**Questions**

Contact Eddie Gonzalez, STEM Program Manager, at egonzalez@same.org.

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**ABOUT SAME**

*(Visit [www.same.org](http://www.same.org) to learn more.)*

**Mission**

*Build leaders and lead collaboration among government and industry to develop multidisciplined solutions to national security infrastructure challenges.*

**Vision**

*Serve our nation as the foremost integrator for leadership development and technical collaboration within the A/E/C profession.*

**SAME 2020-25 Strategic Goals**

*Set the industry standard for active membership that creates lasting impact at the local and national levels.*

- **Goal 1:** Strengthen Industry-Government Engagement
- **Goal 2:** Build and Sustain Resilient Communities
- **Goal 3:** Develop Leaders for the Profession
- **Goal 4:** Enrich the STEM Pipeline for the Nation
- **Goal 5:** Prepare Servicemembers and Veterans for the A/E/C industry