



CHARTER FOR SAME STUDENT CHAPTER

[College or University Name] Student Chapter of the [NAME] Post

Society of American Military Engineers

Article I: Name and Chapter Activities

1. The name of the Chapter shall be the [College or University Name] Chapter of the [Post Name] Post, Society of American Military Engineers.
2. Meetings and other activities such as field trips, mentoring programs and internships shall be developed between the [Post Name] Post and the [College or University Name] Chapter to accomplish the objectives set forth below.

Article II: Objectives

The objectives of the [College or University Name] Student Chapter of the [Post Name] Post are to:

1. Jointly achieve the Society's goals and objectives as prescribed in its Strategic Plan;
2. Link students with Architecture, Engineering and Construction (AEC) professionals;
3. Advance scientific and engineering education and assist in the professional development of Student members;
4. Respond to the needs of student members;
5. Conduct high quality, professionally oriented programs and activities that engender camaraderie, and facilitate and improve communication among students and SAME members
6. Have members of the [Post Name] Post mentor [College or University Name] Student Chapter members;
7. Recognize the accomplishments of student members by the [Post Name] Post.

Article III: Membership

1. **Classification:** Students are a class of free membership in the Society. The category is limited to undergraduate students age 25 and under. Students join a local Post when becoming a member of the Society. Upon graduation, student members may become Young Members of SAME and join a SAME Post in the area where they begin their careers.
2. **Dues.** Student Members age 25 and under do not pay National or Post dues. The Chapter may collect fees for activities as approved by the Chapter leadership and local Post. Such fees must be in compliance with any regulations of the college or university.

3. **Eligibility:** Although free Student Membership is restricted to undergraduates, member in a Student Chapter is open to all currently enrolled full-time undergraduate or graduate students of the [College or University Name].
4. **Discrimination Policy:** No one may be denied membership on the basis of race, color, age, disability, religion, gender, national origin, marital status, political affiliation, sexual orientation or any other unlawful reason.

Article IV: Government

1. The government of the [College or University Name] Student Chapter of the [Post Name] Post shall be vested in a Leadership Team, which shall consist of student officers, a faculty advisor from the [College Name] and a mentor from the [Post Name] Post. The faculty advisor and mentor will be appointed by the [Post Name] Post Board of Direction. The Student Officers shall be nominated by the faculty advisor and approved by an election of the student members from any year group of the college.
2. The officers shall consist of a Student President, a Vice President/Program Chair, and a Secretary/Treasurer. They shall hold office for one year or until their successors have been duly nominated and elected. The officers may be reappointed without regard to term limits.
3. The [Post Name Post] should maintain the financial accounts of the Student Chapter as a support service. The Secretary/Treasurer of the Chapter will request funds from the [Post Name] Post, and collect fees from student members, as required to support Student Chapter activities. The Post Name Post will provide some funding for student activities.

Article VII: Charter Approval and Amendments

The Charter may be initially approved or amended by the Post Name Post President, following review of the charter or amendments by appropriate parties at the [College or University Name], as required to meet the requirements of student activities at the [College or University Name].

Post President, [Post Name] - (Please Print Name & Sign/Date)

Post Mentor, Post [Name Post] - (Please Print Name & Sign/Date)

Faculty Advisor, [College Name] - (Please Print Name & Sign/Date)