



SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS
KENTUCKIANA POST

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

January 21, 2026

Dear Applicant,

The Society of American Military Engineers (S.A.M.E.) brings together professional engineers and those in engineering related fields, such as architecture, planning and interior design, to improve and increase the technical capabilities of the nation. In addition, S.A.M.E. fosters an environment to exchange and advance the knowledge of technologies, applications, and practices that support this objective.

Founded in 1920, the Society facilitates interaction between military and federal government engineers and those in the private sector for the purpose of improving the engineering potential of the United States. S.A.M.E. is a nonprofit professional association with chapters (Posts) worldwide. Today the organization has some 25,000 members from industry, military and government agencies, and academia.

The Kentuckiana Post S.A.M.E. recognizes that some of our most valuable resources of the future are the students of today. Therefore, the Kentuckiana Post will award multiple \$6,000 Scholarships this year to students who exemplify the qualities and accomplishments of a promising technical career. **High school seniors and college students meeting the criteria are encouraged to apply.**

Attached are scholarship eligibility requirements, instructions, and a Kentuckiana Post S.A.M.E. scholarship application. Applications can also be found at the Kentuckiana Post S.A.M.E. web site www.same.org/kentuckiana.

Any questions should be directed to the S.A.M.E. Scholarship Chair:

Kristen Crumpton at kristen.crumpton@aecom.com

We look forward to receiving your application.

Sincerely,

Kristen Crumpton, P.E.
Scholarship Chair
Kentuckiana Post S.A.M.E.



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Eligibility:

The applicant must meet all of the following criterion:

1. Applicant must be affiliated with the Kentuckiana Post S.A.M.E. in one of the following ways:
 - Current student member of the Kentuckiana Post S.A.M.E.
 - Dependent of Kentuckiana Post S.A.M.E. member
 - Employee or dependent of an employee of a Kentuckiana Post sustaining member firm
 - Employee or dependent of an employee of the Louisville District, United States Army Corps of Engineers
 - Student enrolled in a ROTC program or a US Military Academy, whose permanent home address is within the Kentuckiana Post geographic boundary (Kentucky and Indiana)
 - Active military personnel, or their dependents, assigned to a military installation within the Kentuckiana Post geographic boundary (Kentucky and Indiana).
 - Reserve members, or their dependents, whose primary residence is within the Kentuckiana Post geographic boundary (Kentucky and Indiana).
2. Applicant must be accepted in an ABET accredited engineering degree program or a National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) – accredited architecture program, PAB - accredited planning program or CIDA - accredited interior design program. Undergraduates of engineering technology degree programs are not eligible.
3. Applicant must have, at a minimum, two full college semesters/terms remaining after May 2026 before you expect to receive your engineering degree (Bachelors or Masters).
4. Applicant must be a United States citizen.

Please note: Applicants who have received a total of two (2) KP-SAME Scholarships in the past, whether in consecutive years or non-consecutive years, are not eligible.



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INSTRUCTIONS (PLEASE READ CAREFULLY):

1. Fill out your scholarship application in full. Accurate information is essential.
 - ☐ Must be typewritten.
 - ☐ Last name and date must be on each page of the application, including the essay.
2. Read and affix signatures to the required Privacy Act Portion of the application.
3. Return your scholarship application to the email address below. Applications must be received via email (PDF file) on or before **March 16, 2026**. A return email confirming receipt will be sent. If you do not receive one, please follow up with the Scholarship Chair directly.

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502-541-7688
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4. The recipients of the scholarship will receive two checks in the amount of \$3,000, one at the awards luncheon and another the following semester upon verification of the recipient's enrollment in ABET accredited engineering degree program or a National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) – accredited architecture program, PAB - accredited planning program or CIDA - accredited interior design program for that term/semester.
5. The recipients of the scholarship are required to become "Student Members" of SAME, if not already registered as a member. There is no financial cost to join. Please visit the following web link to learn more about becoming a Student Member of SAME.
<https://www.same.org/Get-Connected/Be-a-Member/Profile-Update/Student-Membership>
6. The recipients of the scholarship will be added to the Kentuckiana Post - SAME mailing list and will receive Post programming announcements. In addition, the Post will publish bios for each recipient in the newsletter and in the Post Small Business Conference publications.
7. The recipients of the scholarship are required to attend the ceremony luncheon in Louisville, KY, scheduled for **June 11, 2026**. Extenuating circumstances which prevent a recipient from attending will be considered, but a written request must be received prior to the ceremony by the person listed in line "3." above and a proxy needs to be assigned to accept the award.



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Application:

1. I hereby submit an application for a Kentuckiana Post Scholarship.
2. General Information
 - a. Name:
 - b. Address:
 - c. Phone:
 - d. Email address:
 - e. High school or college now attending:
 - f. Grade Level:
 - g. Cumulative GPA and applicable scale (3.2 on a 4.0 scale, e.g.):
 - h. Date you received or expect to receive an undergraduate degree:
 - i. Date you expect to receive a graduate degree, if you intend to pursue:
 - j. Permanent address and phone number if different than above:



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3. Verify Eligibility

- ___ Current student member of the Kentuckiana Post S.A.M.E. (contact Lisa Wilson, LWilson-Plajer@raconsultantsllc.com if you don't know your student member number).

Member No.:

- ___ Dependent of Kentuckiana Post S.A.M.E. member.

Member Name:

Member No.:

- ___ Employee or dependent of an employee of a Kentuckiana Post sustaining member firm.

Firm Name:

Employee Name (if dependent):

- ___ Employee or dependent of an employee of the Louisville District, Corps of Engineers.

Employee Name (if dependent):

- ___ Student enrolled in a ROTC program or a US Military Academy, whose permanent home address is within the Kentuckiana Post geographic boundary (Kentucky and Indiana).

If ROTC, Advisor's Name/phone number:

- ___ Military personnel, or their dependents, assigned to a military installation within the Kentuckiana Post geographic boundary (Kentucky and Indiana).

Military Personnel Name (if dependent):

Military Installation:

4. List names of ABET accredited engineering, NAAB accredited, PAB accredited or CIDA accredited colleges or universities to which you have applied or been accepted, or the one which you are currently attending. If a high school student, also list the name of high school you are attending and the college or university you plan to attend.

5. Intended or current major course of study.

6. If applicable, indicate the year(s) for which you have previously applied for a Kentuckiana Post S.A.M.E scholarship.



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7. List and describe engineering or engineering related (such as architecture, planning and interior design) extracurricular activities in which you have participated, including dates (month and year) involved and positions or offices held. Provide detail of activities and responsibilities of positions or offices held. Use a separate sheet if necessary.

8. List and describe any volunteer and non-engineering activities in which you have participated, including dates (month and year) of any activities. Consider clubs, sports and other extracurricular activities. Provide details of activities you performed. Use a separate sheet if necessary.

9. List and describe any honors and awards you have earned, including dates (month and year). Consider both school and non-school related.

10. If a member of a ROTC detachment or enrolled in a US Military Academy, list chain of command position, awards and military science courses completed, including dates (month and year) of any awards and courses. Please designate whether information is related to ROTC or a US Military Academy.



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11. List any employment, including dates (month and year) of employment, and give a brief description of your duties.

12. Essay Question: *Summarize your educational and career goals and address how this scholarship will help you achieve those goals.*

Essay shall be 400 - 500 words on a separate sheet of paper and typed, single-spaced.

Please Note: The use of artificial intelligence (AI) to produce writing or support for this scholarship application is not allowed. If a student is found to have used AI-generated content for their response, their application will be disqualified.

13. List the names of two (2) people you have asked to submit statements of character and potential on your behalf. These statements are to be emailed directly to Scholarship Chair Kristen Crumpton by the recommending party and not included in this application. Be sure they are aware of the March 16, 2026 postmark deadline. You may not use relatives and may include **only one reference** from your academic institution (teacher, coach, guidance counselor, etc.). Points will be deducted for missing and/or late character references.
14. Attach an official copy of your college transcript to this application, or you may have it emailed directly from the institution to the point of contact listed below. If you are a high school student or first year college student, submit transcripts for high school and college course work completed to date. *Unofficial transcripts can be included with your scholarship application; however, an official transcript must be received on or before the March 16, 2026 deadline.*

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PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

The Privacy Act of 1974 (5USC 552) requires that you be informed of the following information:

The information supplied on this application for local scholarship will be used in selecting individuals for awards.

I agree for the application information to be released to Scholarship Committee.

I hereby grant full permission to use my likeness and name in publicity releases as a winner of a Kentuckiana Post Scholarship without obligation or liability to me. If selected for a scholarship award, I will be able to attend an award ceremony scheduled for June 11, 2026 in Louisville, KY.

Printed Name of Applicant

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

(Only if applicant is under age 18)