



ROCK ISLAND POST

Society of American Military Engineers

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Clock Tower Building, P.O. Box 2004, Rock Island, Illinois 61204-2004

December 3, 2025

To: High School Students, High School Counselors, Parents of High School Students and University of Iowa SAME Student Post members,

The *Society of American Military Engineers (SAME)*, Rock Island Post, has a scholarship trust fund to encourage and support talented students in their pursuit of careers in engineering and the physical sciences. This year, *SAME* is offering a combination of one-year, two year, and four-year scholarships to qualified students who are pursuing a baccalaureate degree in these fields. In addition, at least one Need-Based Scholarship is also being offered. Applicants should indicate on the application which category (or categories) they wish to be considered for. A downloadable version of the scholarship application is available on our website.

Multiple one-year and two-year scholarships will be awarded at the \$1,500 and \$3,000 (\$1,500 per year for two years) levels respectively to a combination of graduating high school seniors and student members of the University of Iowa SAME Student Post. *SAME* will award the scholarships to the students who best fit the enclosed criteria. In selecting scholarship recipients, graduating high school seniors and University of Iowa SAME Student Post members will be ranked separately. Four-year scholarships will be awarded at the \$6,000 level (\$1,500 per year for four years) to graduating high school seniors. *SAME* will award the scholarships to high school seniors who best fit the enclosed criteria.

Recipients must meet two requirements to continue to receive their 2-year or 4-year awards beyond the initial year:

- Maintain a grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Maintain full time student status progressing towards a four-year degree in engineering or the physical sciences

SAME requests that you make this scholarship application available to your graduating seniors. The Rock Island Post will determine the scholarship recipients in March based on applications **postmarked NLT March 18, 2026**, and award the scholarships at a future *SAME* meeting. The scholarships are being advertised to graduating seniors from local high schools in the Quad Cities and surrounding area.

We are proud to announce that this is the twenty-seventh year that the Rock Island Post is awarding scholarships to local high school seniors. If you have questions or would like further information please contact me at (309) 794-5227.

Sincerely,

Roger A. Perk, P.E.
Scholarship Chair, Rock Island Post SAME

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SUSTAINING MEMBERS:

AECOM	Fickett Structural Solutions, Inc.	Kiewit
Aleut Federal, LLC	Floodproofing.com	LT Leon Associates
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Scholarship Criteria

Applicants interested in consideration for a scholarship award should complete the application forms and submit them by regular mail. Applications must include **all** items identified on the application in order to be considered. Applications must be postmarked by **March 18, 2026**.

The following criteria are in order of importance to our selection board.

Mandatory Criteria:

- Candidate must be a United States Citizen
- Geographical Area of Consideration are High Schools within the SAME - Rock Island Post (**approximately 100 mile radius of Rock Island, Illinois**).
- Graduating High School Senior or member of the University of Iowa SAME Student Post continuing during the Fall 2026 semester
- Acceptance or current enrollment at an accredited engineering or science college (4 year)
- Registration at the college as an engineering or science student
- Completion of engineering prep and/or math and science curriculum
- Cumulative High School or collegiate grade point average of at least 3.2 on a 4.0 scale (4.0 on a 5.0 scale; other grade scales will be adjusted proportionally).

Preferred Criteria (graded):

- Superior academic performance - comparison of grades, courses, and class ranking (10 points)
- Affiliation with Engineering Professional Groups (10 points)
- Part time work, preferably with Engineering Firms/Construction (5 points)
- Active in community leadership/service (10 points)
- Active in sports and extra curricular activities (10 Points)
- Participation in science and engineering fairs/activities/extracurricular activities/related College Classes (10 Points)
- ACT/SAT Score (5 points)
- Honor society membership (5 points)
- Special achievement awards (5 points)
- Membership in the Society of American Military Engineers. (5 points)
- Membership in JROTC/ROTC Unit (5 points)
- Essay (10 points)

Notes:

1. *The judges are looking for students with well-developed backgrounds in all areas: academic achievement, community involvement, and work activities.* In the selection process a point will be awarded for each organization membership per semester, part-time job (per year), and community or school activity.
2. Time should be taken on the application to carefully list all memberships and dates of the membership. Be sure to list all school and community activities by semester (high school term) for full credit. Feel free to attach an additional sheet if room is needed.

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Rock Island Post – 2025 Scholarships

Deadline: March 18, 2026

Scholarship Application TYPE - Check all that apply.

- One/Two/Four Year Scholarship - Graduating High School Senior
- One/Two/Four Year Need Based Scholarship - Graduating High School Senior (Must Provide EFC from FAFSA)
- One Year Scholarship - University of Iowa Student Post Member

Applicant General Information

Name _____

Home Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Personal Information

Age _____ Date of Birth _____ US Citizenship (Y / N) _____

*****Graduating High School Seniors Only*****

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

University/College Enrollment

School Name _____

Address _____

Program of Study _____

Date Enrolled or Expected to be Enrolled _____

Expected Graduation Date _____

Applicant Must Attach:

1. An official High School (graduating high school seniors) or College (Iowa Student Post Members) transcript to this application.
2. A letter of acceptance (copy) from the College/University (graduating high school seniors).
3. If applying for a Need-Based Scholarship provide a copy of the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

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(May provide on a separate, typed page)

Student Organizations/Athletics _____

(Include dates and any leadership positions held)

Community Service _____

and Leadership _____
(Include dates and any leadership positions held)

Special Achievements _____

(include year obtained / accomplished)

Other Activities _____

(Include membership in engineering societies or clubs, participation in Science and Engineering Fairs, and other extra engineering education)

Applicant Must Attach: On a separate sheet, provide a brief statement (1-2 paragraphs) describing why you are interested in this scholarship and why you should be chosen for this scholarship.

Graduating High School Seniors Only

Please provide the following information

High School: _____

Graduation Date: _____

School Counselor: _____

Phone: _____

Cumulative Grade Point Average: _____ on a scale of _____ (Example:4.0 or 5.0) ACT or SAT Score _____

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Work Experience

Employer _____

Address _____

Dates _____ Hrs/week _____ Supervisor Name _____
Phone/E-mail _____

Position _____

Duties _____

Work Experience

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Address _____

Dates _____ Hrs/week _____ Supervisor Name _____
Phone/E-mail _____

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Duties _____

If you have any questions please call: Roger Perk
(309) 794-5227
Scholarship Committee Chairman

Submit Application directly to:

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Rock Island Post
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