



Society of American Military Engineers

Hampton Roads Post

2026 COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Eligibility:

- Geography:
 - ☐ Have a permanent address located in the SAME Hampton Roads Post geographic footprint (Southeast Virginia); **OR**
 - ☐ Attending a college/university located in Virginia in the Fall term of 2026
- College/university enrollment:
 - ☐ Currently enrolled in a full-time undergraduate STEM-related degree program at an accredited college or university with plans to continue the undergraduate program in the Fall term of 2026; **OR**
 - ☐ Currently enrolled at a community college or two-year college in a program of study designed to allow for transfer into a STEM-related program **AND** must be enrolled as a full-time student in that STEM-related program at an accredited college/university in the Fall term of 2026.
 - ☐ Applicants who receive an appointment to a U.S. military academy (or affiliated preparatory school) or who are awarded a full scholarship at their college/university **are not eligible** to receive a scholarship from SAME Hampton Roads Post. A full scholarship is usually defined as one that provides for total payment of tuition, room and board, books, and lab fees. If an applicant becomes aware of such ineligibility after submitting the application, it is expected that the applicant will notify the point of contact identified below and withdraw the application.
- Grade point average (GPA):
 - ☐ Minimum GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 basis).
- SAME student membership
 - ☐ First-time college/university applicants and previous applicants that **did not** receive a scholarship from the Hampton Roads Post are not required to be members; however, preference will be given to student members.
 - ☐ Previous College/University recipients of a scholarship from the SAME Hampton Roads Post **are required** to be members of a SAME Post and/or SAME Student Chapter to be eligible.
 - ☐ Student membership is free and attainable. Information can be found at <https://www.same.org/membership-communities/join/student-membership/>.

How to apply:

- Complete the enclosed application and provide the identified supporting information.
 - ☐ Previous versions of this application will not be accepted. Scoring criteria are included as Attachment A.
 - ☐ If additional pages are needed, note this in the associated section(s) of the application form and clearly identify the content on the additional page(s) to correspond to the specific item from the application.
- **The completed application package, including application form, essay, transcripts, and letter of recommendation, must be received no later than 03 April 2026.**
 - ☐ Send a legible/electronic copy of the completed application package to samehr.scholarship@gmail.com.
 - ☐ Provide the application package (other than the letter of recommendation) as a single submittal to include all required

1. Applicant name _____
2. Permanent mailing address (**including city, state, and zip code**)

3. Telephone number (**including area code**) _____
4. Preferred e-mail address _____
5. Name of college/university currently attending (if currently attending a community college or two-year college, also include the name of the college/university you will be attending in Fall 2026).

6. Academic major in Fall 2026

7. WORK EXPERIENCE

List employment or internships you have held during college/university (paid and unpaid, including during academic breaks). Preference will be given to applicants with STEM-related experience.

Employer	Dates of employment/activity	Role	Hours/week

8. EXTRACURRICULAR AND VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

List school, community, and volunteer activities (other than paid/unpaid jobs) that you have participated in during college/university. **Only include those activities in which you held leadership positions or made significant contributions.**

Organization	Dates of activity	Role	Hours/week and number of years participation

9. HONORS/AWARDS/CERTIFICATES

List any special honors, awards, or certificates you have received during college/university. Include those received through the school or through other organizations.

10. ESSAY

Provide a concise response (between 300 and 500 words) to the following prompt:

How have you actively pursued and/or shared STEM knowledge outside of the classroom?

11. TRANSCRIPTS

Include a copy of transcripts that includes all college/university coursework (at any college/university) through the Fall term 2025. Copies of unofficial transcripts are acceptable provided the unofficial copy identifies the college/university where the courses were completed, the courses taken, the grades earned for each course, and the cumulative GPA.

12. LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

- Must be authored by a SAME Post or National member **or** by an academic advisor or professor of a STEM-related course that has advised/instructed the applicant.
 - o **This letter may not be written by a family member, including members related by marriage or other family-like relationship.**
- Must address the merit/achievements of the applicant and the potential for success of the applicant in the chosen STEM field
- Must be addressed to the SAME Hampton Roads Post Scholarship Committee and must be signed (either original or certified digital) and dated by the author. If written by a SAME Post or National member, the member number and Post affiliation should be included with the signature.
- Must be submitted to samehr.scholarship@gmail.com no later than 03 April 2026. The email must have the applicant's name in the subject line.

13. APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

I, _____, do hereby certify that the information provided herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I certify that I have not used artificial intelligence in the preparation of any part of this application, including the essay. I also hereby certify that if chosen as a recipient of the SAME Hampton Roads Post Scholarship, I will utilize the funds received to pay for a portion of my college/university expenses during the 2026-2027 Academic Year.

Date _____

Signature of Applicant (original or certified digital)

Student Member Number/Post Affiliation (if applicable)

Attachment A
COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION EVALUATION CRITERIA

<u>POINT VALUE</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SCORING CONSIDERATION</u>
10	N/A	Overall presentation of application (neatness, organization)
0	1-6	Information only
10	7	Work experiences indicate initiative and resourcefulness; preference to STEM experience
10	8	Activities indicate a well-rounded person
10	9	Honors indicate exceptional performance
25	10	Essay demonstrates ability to communicate and provides information about the applicant's - Originality (10 points) - Content (10 points) - Appearance, grammar, spelling, length (5 points)
20	11	Transcript - grades, GPA, and other academic records demonstrates academic rigor and success
10	12	Letter of recommendation addresses established criteria in support of applicant
5	13	Certification completed; preference to Hampton Road Post or supported Student Chapter affiliation
100		TOTAL