

SAE Scholarships & Loan Program Frequently Asked Questions

Differences in Scholarships

- SAE offers 3 groups of scholarships:
 - Freshman year of college endowed through the SAE Foundation
 - Freshman year of college endowed by a specific university
 - Sophomore through graduate years endowed through the SAE Foundation
- Each scholarship is endowed (created and funded) by an individual, company, organization or a university. As such, they determine the eligibility requirements (not SAE).

| DEADLINE | SCHOLARSHIP |
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| December 15 | Freshman year of college endowed by a specific university |
| January 15 | Freshman year of college endowed through the SAE Foundation |
| February 15 | Sophomore through graduate years endowed through the SAE Foundation |

Application forms

- May be mailed or emailed.
- Must use the current application. Forms from prior years will not be considered.
- Must be typed.
- Must be signed by both the student and the Guidance Counselor.
- If possible, scan the signed application and email to scholarships@sae.org. Otherwise, it can be mailed.
- The size of the boxes for *Additional Information* and the *Essay Question* will expand as needed.
- For the *Advanced Placement* and *Employment Record*, you may add additional lines as needed.

Official transcript

- Submit the most current version of your transcript by the deadline.
- May be mailed with the application (in sealed envelope from the high school).
- May be mailed directly from the high school (separately from the application).
- May be emailed directly from the high school to scholarships@sae.org.
- Applications without transcripts will not be considered.

Mailing address

SAE International
Scholarships & Loan Program
400 Commonwealth Drive
Warrendale, PA 15096

Cumulative GPA

- Normalized on a 4.0 scale means the same as unweighted.
- Cumulative means all courses taken (all courses on the high school transcript), not just the core courses.
- If in doubt, ask your school counselor for guidance.

Your intended major - engineering or other

- Refer to the criteria on each scholarship page to determine if you are eligible to apply.
- Related sciences includes math, chemistry, physics, biology, technologies, computer science, etc.

SAT scores

- Only SAT I scores will be considered (not SAT II).
- You must have received your SAT scores by the deadline in order to be considered
- A printed copy of your official scores from the SAT website is acceptable.
- Only the scores submitted on your application will be considered, even if you receive a higher score in a later test.
- Highest overall score - use the highest score you received in one sitting/test.
- Highest scores for writing, critical reading and math - use the highest score for each, even if they were not from the same sitting/test and even if the total of the highest individual scores combined are higher than the highest overall score.

ACT scores

- Only the scores submitted on your application will be considered, even if you receive a higher score in a later test.
- You must have received your ACT scores by the deadline in order to be considered.
- A printed copy of your official scores from the ACT website is acceptable.

Ranking of SAT and ACT scores

- This relates to the 90th percentile on the national score (not state).
- Your percentile should be shown on the official notification of your scores.

Education, extracurricular activities, and employment

- You may include a resume provided it includes all of the requested information.
- Add additional lines as needed.

Testimonial letters

- Only a few scholarships require a testimonial letter. Details can be found on the description page for each scholarship.

Home schooled students

- The teacher/parent should indicate this in the "Principal or Counselor Certification" area of the application.

ABET accredited university

- ABET is the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology. To find out if an engineering program is accredited at your selected school, refer to www.abet.org.

Confirmation that application was received by SAE

- Due to the volume of applications we receive, we are not able to confirm the receipt of individual applications. If they are unsure, we encourage them to resend the application.

APPLYING FOR MULTIPLE SCHOLARSHIPS

Applying for more than one university sponsored scholarship

- Submit one copy of the application but check the box for any university to which you are applying.
- Submit one official copy of your transcript.
- Submit one copy of your SAT/ACT scores and any other documentation required for each scholarship.
- You must apply to each university to which you are applying by January 15th (or the date indicated on the university scholarship page) in order to be considered for the scholarship.

Applying for more than one SAE Foundation sponsored scholarship

- Submit one copy of the application but check the box for each scholarship to which you are applying.
- Submit one official copy of your transcript.
- Submit one copy of your SAT/ACT scores and any other documentation required for each scholarship.

Applying for both an SAE Foundation sponsored scholarship and a university sponsored scholarship

- There are two different applications, so if you are applying for both, you need to submit two separate applications. There are differences, so please make sure you submit the correct one for the scholarships to which you are applying.
- Submit one official copy of your transcript with each application.

The university I want to attend is not listed on the University-sponsored application

- Because the money for the scholarship comes directly from the university, some universities have elected not to participate in this program due to funding issues or other in-house circumstances. Other universities may not be aware of the program's existence.

Notification of scholarship recipients

- Recipients of SAE Foundation sponsored scholarships will be notified by June.
- Recipients of university sponsored scholarships will be notified directly by the university, usually between March and June.
- A list of all recipients of the [SAE Scholarships and Loan Program](#) will be posted online in July.

How can I ensure that my high school receives the scholarship postcard each year?

- Send an email to scholarships@sae.org and ask that your high school be placed on the in-house high school mailing list for the scholarship postcard. Be sure to include the name, complete mailing address, phone and fax numbers for the high school.