



## Scholarship FAQs

### What Do I Need to Complete the Scholarship Application?

The application requires a copy of your transcript and, IF APPLICABLE, financial information (Student Aid Report (SAR) from your FAFSA or CSS Profile and the email address for a person writing your recommendation. The recommendation should be written by someone who knows you and can speak on your involvement in SAM, the campus community, and your academic standards. Ideally this would be written by a Chapter Advisor, Alumni Advisor or Greek Advisor. An Academic Advisor, a professor or the chapter Prior would also be acceptable.

### When Is the Deadline?

It can vary but for **most** scholarships for members of SAM the deadline for a complete undergraduate or graduate application is 11:59pm (Eastern) on February 7, 2021. The application will shut down and applicants will not be able to save or change any information after this time.

The **Guller Young Scholars** program for new initiates is ONGOING and has no expiration date. This is a separate application which can be found here: [Guller Young Scholars Program](#). New initiates who wish to apply for other scholarships should submit the Undergraduate application as well.

### I Applied Last Year but Didn't Receive a Scholarship—Should I Apply Again?

Yes! The applicant pool changes each year. In addition, as your academic progress advances and your involvement on campus and with SAM grows, you may qualify for more scholarships. Each year we strive to add additional scholarships to assist students.

### I'm a Senior—Can I Still Apply?

Yes! Since our scholarships are awarded before academic year ends, seniors can receive scholarships.

### How Much Money Can I Receive?

The scholarship awards range from \$500 - \$5000, depending on the scholarship. Several scholarships are chapter or major specific. Most of our scholarships are based on demonstrated financial need.

### I'm part of a SAM Colony that is not a Chapter yet—can I still Apply?

Yes! Members of colonies are welcome to apply for scholarships, but the scholarship will not be AWARDED until the colony is chartered as a chapter and applicants are members in good standing. Applicants must still be an undergraduate student and member of the chapter to receive the scholarship.

### I See a Specific Scholarship I'm Qualified For—Can I Apply for That One?

There is one undergraduate and one graduate application, and YOU WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR ALL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WHICH YOU MEET THE CRITERIA. This includes all chapter and major specific scholarships as well. Remember there are over 1,900 current undergrad fratres of Sigma Alpha Mu, so some scholarships have more applicants than others!

However, if you ONLY want to be considered for the **Top Senior Scholar**, **Blumenfeld Humor Award** or would like to nominate someone for the **Andy Dickson Scholarship**, these are separate applications.

### When Will I know If I Was Selected for a Scholarship?

Scholarships will be announced via email by May 2021 and recipients will be posted on the SAM Foundation website.