



Sergeant First Class Sammy Davis Veterans Scholarship

The Sergeant First Class Sammy Davis Veterans Scholarship is a distinguished needs-based scholarship devoted to honoring the extraordinary service of veterans who have bravely defended our nation. Named in honor of Sergeant First Class (Retired) Sammy Davis, whose gallantry in combat exemplified unwavering dedication to duty, this scholarship seeks to support high-achieving individuals who face financial barriers in pursuing their educational and professional aspirations. Through this initiative, we aim to honor Congressional Medal of Honor recipient, Sammy Davis, as well as all those who have served our great Nation.

Sammy Davis's heroic actions during the Vietnam War. Under intense enemy fire, he displayed extraordinary courage as he fought to protect his comrades at a remote fire support base. When the base faced a fierce ground assault and heavy mortar attack, Sergeant First Class Davis took command of a machine gun to provide vital covering fire while his fellow soldiers attempted to respond with artillery. Despite sustaining numerous injuries and enduring life-threatening circumstances, his instinct to assist others never wavered. Not only did he continue to operate the artillery piece in the face of overwhelming danger, but he also selflessly ventured across a deep river to rescue wounded comrades, demonstrating remarkable bravery and resilience.

Sergeant First Class Davis's belief in helping those in need and his commitment to uplifting his fellow servicemembers were foundational principles that guided his actions in the heat of battle. His legacy inspires us to recognize the potential in every individual and to ensure that deserving students can realize their dreams, irrespective of financial constraints. The Sergeant First Class Sammy Davis Veterans Scholarship honors this ethos, resonating deeply with the values of compassion and community support.

Eligibility criteria for the scholarship include exemplary prior military service, academic performance, demonstrated leadership skills, a history of service to the community, and a clear financial need. The selection process is comprehensive, evaluating various aspects of each applicant's background to identify those who embody the spirit of service and excellence exemplified by Sergeant First Class Davis.

This scholarship is not merely a financial resource for Veterans in need of assistance; it stands as a call to action, encouraging recipients to embrace the same values of commitment, courage, and compassion that Sergeant First Class Davis has exemplified throughout his life. By providing this

vital support, we empower students to pursue their aspirations and make meaningful contributions to their communities, just as he does.

If you believe that you embody the qualities and values that align with the spirit of the Sergeant First Class Sammy Davis Veterans Scholarship, we encourage you to apply and share your journey of resilience and dedication. Join us in honoring the legacy of service and heroism that continues to inspire us all.

The Scholarship

The college awards need scholarships for certificate and degree programs. Scholarship applications must be submitted during the enrollment application process through the Student Services Department. The point of contact for all scholarship is the Vice President of Student Services, Mrs. Lisa Gonzales, who can be reached at admissions@cbet.edu or by telephone at 210-233-1102.

Application Criteria

To be considered by the scholarship selection committee, applications must be complete. Each section of the application will be examined, and incomplete submissions will not be reviewed. The general criteria for the scholarship include the following:

Part I. Complete the CBET Application. To request an application, send your contact information to the CBET admissions officer through our online portal at <https://cbet.edu/admissions>. All items marked with an asterisk (*) must be submitted to complete the application:

- CBET Application*
- Photocopy of a Valid U.S. Military-Issued ID Card as proof of eligibility*
- Proof of High School Graduation, GED Completion, Diploma, and/or Transcript*
- Citizen or Permanent Legal Resident of the United States
- Current Resume
- DD Form 214
- Transcripts from other post-secondary institutions (if applicable)
- Verification of financial need (may include tax returns, W-2 Forms, or other documentation to assess household earnings).
- VA Education Benefits Eligibility Documentation

Part 2- Professional and Community Activities. To facilitate scholarship consideration, the Scholarship Committee would like to learn more about each applicant. Please submit a 250-to-300-word essay describing your personal and/or professional contributions to your community. If applicable, include awards, recognitions, or other honors you have received.

- Short essay response (250-300 words) *
- Certificates, awards, recognitions (Not mandatory)

Part 3- Letters of Recommendation. We seek insights from your professional colleagues, former teachers, or others with whom you share a professional relationship concerning your capacity for higher education and work ethic. The most effective letters usually come from individuals in the healthcare industry or from within your professional network; however, outstanding letters from other professional colleagues and community leaders are also welcome. Scholarship applicants must submit two (2) letters of recommendation.

- Letter of Recommendation 1*
- Letter of Recommendation 2*

Scholarship Award Evaluation Criteria

Financial Shortfall: The scholarship is intended for veterans who have exhausted their VA education benefits and require additional assistance to cover educational expenses, making it an essential resource for those facing financial barriers to their academic goals.

Prior Academic Success: Transcripts and academic records will be evaluated.

Essay Requirements: Essays must be typed. Points may be deducted for poor grammar, spelling errors, or lack of neatness. Proofread your work carefully.

Professional/Work History and Experience: Work experience should be limited to the past three years. List your most recent positions first, including any jobs held during high school if within this timeframe. Specify the school year during which you held each position and indicate if your work experience was part of a work-study, co-op, or practicum program. Clearly identify the nature of each employer's business, particularly highlighting any experience in the healthcare industry. Please be thorough and accurate. If necessary, list additional experience on a separate sheet and attach it to your application.

Recommendations: A recommendation is required from someone who is not a family member or close friend. Please use the attached form, as a letter alone is not sufficient. While additional letters are welcome, greater weight will be given to recommendations from individuals with professional experience in healthcare technology management. Ensure the evaluator's contact information is included in your application.

Extracurricular and Volunteer Activities: List all extracurricular and volunteer activities under the appropriate categories and years. Include any leadership roles or offices held in organizations. Be as thorough as possible. If you have no activities to report, simply write "none." The more activities you list, the higher your potential score.

Scholarship Submission, Selection, and Award

Scholarship Submissions. Scholarships must be submitted at the time of enrollment into a program as part of the application process. Complete scholarships should be submitted to a Student Services Coordinator at admissions@cbet.edu.

Scholarship Selection. The Scholarship Selection Committee convenes once per term to review applications and make award decisions. The committee reserves the right to adjust or cancel an award at any time due to changes in a recipient's enrollment or academic status or upon discovery of any alterations in the recipient's eligibility.

Scholarship Awards. The Sergeant First Class Sammy Davis Veterans Scholarship has a maximum award value of \$5,000.00 for students enrolled in a degree program and \$2,500.00 for students enrolled in a certificate program.

The logo for the College of Biomedical Equipment Technology is a large, stylized graphic. It features a circular shape on the left, composed of several concentric, slightly offset rings in shades of light blue and purple. To the right of this circle is a large, stylized arrow pointing to the right. The arrow is composed of several parallel, slightly offset bands in shades of light blue, purple, and a very light cyan. The text "College of Biomedical Equipment Technology" is written in a purple, sans-serif font, positioned to the left of the arrow and partially overlapping the circular graphic.

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Scholarship Terms and Conditions

Applicants must be accepted to CBET for enrollment in a current program.

All scholarship materials must be submitted to CBET before starting training.

Financial need is not required for needs-based or special group scholarship eligibility.

Applicants may combine external scholarships along with institutional scholarships. Eligibility to do so is entirely dependent on the external scholarship criteria.

Institutional scholarships are not transferable and have no cash value outside of the intended use at the College of Biomedical Equipment Technology. No refunds will be issued if an institutional scholarship creates a credit balance on the student's account.

Eligibility for institutional scholarship awards is determined for each term of obligation. Students must meet specific academic benchmarks each term to maintain their scholarships. After enrollment, scholarship recipients must maintain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale throughout their academic journey. If they fail to do so, their scholarship or the remaining portion may be withdrawn. Failing a class will prompt the scholarship committee to review the recipient's eligibility, which may result in the scholarship being rescinded.

Students may not combine institutional scholarships with tuition discounts offered by the college. However, students qualified for external scholarships may combine discounts offered by the college and external scholarship awards.

Institutional scholarships are non-transferable.

Institutional scholarships will be forfeited in the event of dismissal, expulsion, or voluntary or involuntary withdrawal.

Students may request reinstatement of institutional scholarships upon readmission if their withdrawal circumstances are deemed mitigating. A written request must be submitted for approval by the scholarship committee.

While scholarships are intended to cover tuition costs, students remain financially responsible for other related fees, such as technical fees, textbooks, and course materials identified in the course catalog. It is essential for students to budget accordingly for these additional expenses to ensure they can fully benefit from their scholarship and have the necessary resources for academic success.