

Four-Year Graduation Plan - Courses and Critical Benchmarks

The following is a sample course of study. It is the Student's responsibility to ensure that all program requirements are met. This guide is not a substitute for academic advisement. **All incoming freshmen must develop an academic plan (which maps out all courses needed to graduate within your intended major/degree). Your academic advisor is available to meet with you and create your specific plan.**

Your path to graduation may vary slightly based on factors such as college credit you earned while in high school, transfer work from other institutions of higher learning and placement in Mathematics. You are responsible for checking prerequisites to any courses. Critical Courses and minimum recommended grades (as noted below) provide feedback regarding major fit and help indicate likelihood of successful completion of chosen academic program and degree.

First Math	MATH 110 or STAT 235	Foreign Language Requirement	Yes	Free Elective Hours	9-25
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Critical Course or Benchmark	Course Subject, Number, and Title and Academic Plan Benchmarks Bold = UMKC General Education Core Requirement *Prerequisite May Be Required **Co-Requisite Enrollment Required	Min Recom Grade	Credit Hours (CH)	Notes
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Fall Semester Year 1: 15 hours

	**Anchor I: Reasoning and Values - Recommend ANCH 102: Intro to Urban Studies		3	Foreign Language is required for all B.A. degrees in the College of Arts and Sciences; The foreign language placement exam is highly recommended to ensure placement in the correct level. The ALEKS Math Placement Exam is required prior to enrollment in MATH 110 and some 200-level MATH/STATS courses. If ALEKS places student in MATH 100: Intermediate Algebra, student may complete Math requirement in the first summer.
	**DISC 100: Reasoning and Values (Speech and Writing)		3	
	Foreign Language Requirement (110 or higher) Click for options		3	
	Focus B: Scientific Reasoning and Quantitative Analysis MATH 110: College Algebra or STAT 235: Elementary Statistics		3	
	Free Elective		3	
	Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required). Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA and minimum 2.00 cumulative UM GPA.			

Spring Semester Year 1: 15 hours

	**Anchor II: Culture and Diversity - Recommend ANCH 211: Cities of the World OR ANCH 268: Queer in the City Intro LGBT		3	POL-SCI 210, HISTORY 101 or HISTORY 102 fulfill Focus C: Human Actions, Values, and Ethics as well as the Constitution requirement. Students must take at least one Introductory Course from: URBAN ST 101, 206, 268, or ENV-SCI 332CZ.
	**DISC 200: Culture and Diversity (Speech and Writing)		3	
	Foreign Language Requirement (120 or higher)		3	
	Focus C: Human Actions, Values, and Ethics http://www.umkc.edu/core/courses/ (May choose Focus C Course to also fulfill MO Constitution Requirement)		3	
	URBAN ST Introductory Course (if ANCH 102 not previously completed) or STAT 235 (if not previously completed)		3	
	Complete Anchor I and DISC 100.			

<p>◆ Complete 30 total hours minimum toward degree. Complete MATH 110. Complete at least one Foreign Language course (110 or higher). Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required). Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA and minimum 2.00 cumulative UM GPA.</p>
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Summer Semester Year 1: 0 hours if all previous courses completed

<p>May use summer semester ensure completion of 30 hours per academic year or to lighten fall and spring course loads.</p>		
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Fall Semester Year 2: 15 hours

<p>◆ Urban Studies History Requirement: UPD 260: History of Planning and Urban Design OR HIST 356R: Kansas City: History of a Regional Metropolis</p>		3	<p>Take the RooWriter Writing Assessment the semester immediately following DISC 200 and at least a semester before registering for a Writing Intensive course. https://net3.umkc.edu/intapps/RooWriter/logon.aspx</p>
<p>Foreign Language Requirement (211 or higher)</p>		3	
<p>CAS Social & Behavioral Sciences Requirement—Recommended: ECON 201: Introduction to Economics I OR SOCIOL 101: Sociology: An Introduction OR GEOG 105: Intro to the Elements of Geography OR PSYCH 210: General Psychology</p>		3	
<p>Focus B (if not fulfilled above) – Click for options OR Free Elective, GIS 203: Intro to GIS (recommended)</p>		3	
<p>Missouri Constitution course (if not fulfilled by above) Click for options OR other CAS Social & Behavioral Sciences Requirement Click for options</p>		3	
<p>GEOG 309: Urban Geography</p>		3	
<p>◆ Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required). Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA and minimum 2.00 cumulative UM GPA.</p>			

Spring Semester Year 2: 13-14 hours


<p>**Anchor III: Civic and Community Engagement - Recommend ANCH 301: Environmental Sustainability</p>		3
<p>**DISC 300: Civic and Community Engagement (Speech and Writing)</p>		3
<p>Urban Studies Methods (Choose from): SOCIOL 362: Methods of Sociological Research OR UPD 300: Quantitative Planning Methods and Techniques OR BLKS 404: Research Seminar OR SOCIOL 362: Methods of Sociological Research</p>		3
<p>CAS Science & Math Requirement – Must take Lab Science to fulfill Laboratory requirement (4-5 credit hours)</p>		4-5

<p>◆ Complete Anchor II and DISC 200. Complete Foreign Language Requirement (211 or higher). Complete 60 total hours toward degree. Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required). Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA and minimum 2.00 cumulative UM GPA.</p>
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Summer Semester Year 2: 0-3 hours

Students may take URBAN ST 495: Internship during Summer Year 2.		
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Fall Semester Year 3: 15 hours

Focus A: Arts and Humanities http://www.umkc.edu/core/courses/		3	For Interest Area Recommended Courses and Electives go to the UMKC Catalog: https://catalog.umkc.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/academic-departments-programs/architecture-urban-planning-design/bachelor-of-arts-urban-studies/
Urban Studies Elective (Interest Area)		3	
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CAS Arts & Humanities Requirement Click for options		3	
 Complete RooWriter Writing Assessment. Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required). Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA and minimum 2.00 cumulative UM GPA.			


Spring Semester Year 3: 15 hours

Urban Studies Elective (Interest Area)		3
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Focus Elective http://www.umkc.edu/core/courses/		3
Urban Studies—Urban Political Economy: ECON 336: The Kansas City Economy OR ECON 458: Urban Economics OR POL-SCI 314: Politics of Kansas City Metro OR POL-SCI 424: Urban Politics and Community Power Structures OR PUB-ADM 415 Issues in Urban Administration		3
Free Elective		3
 Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required). Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA and minimum 2.00 cumulative UM GPA.		

Summer Semester Year 3: 0-3 hours


Students are strongly recommended to take URBAN ST 495: Internship during Summer Year 3.			See Urban Studies program director for help with placement.
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Fall Semester Year 4: 15 hours

Urban Studies Core Requirement: URBAN ST 495: Internship		3	Apply for graduation and complete Final Degree Audits for the following: UMKC General Education Core, CAS Degree Requirements, Major Requirements, and/or Minor Requirements.
Urban Studies Race/Class/Gender: CJC 440: Hate & Bias Crimes OR ECON 314: Race, Class and Gender: Theory, History and Policy OR LLS 201: Introduction to Latina/o Studies OR SOCIOLOG 322: Race and Ethnic Relations		3	
Urban Studies Elective (Interest Area)		3	Take the ETS Proficiency Profile (EPP) exit exam.
Urban Studies Elective (Interest Area)		3	
CAS Science & Math Requirement Click for options		3	
 Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required). Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA and minimum 2.00 cumulative UM GPA.			

Spring Semester Year 4: 15 hours

URBAN ST 499WI: Urban Studies Seminar (CAS Writing Intensive Requirement)		3	In combination with required upper-level courses, take enough Free Elective hours at the 300/400-level to meet the minimum requirement of 36 upper-level credit hours.
URBAN ST 495: Internship (if 6 hours not fulfilled above) OR Free Elective		3	
CAS Arts & Humanities Requirement Click for options		3	
Free Elective		3	
<i>Free Elective (only take these credits if needed to reach 120 minimum hours)</i>		0-6	

 Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required). Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA and minimum 2.00 cumulative UM GPA.

Graduation Requirements Summary

Total Degree Credit Hours	Upper Level (3xx/4xx) Hour Requirement	Minimum Hour / Residency Req.
120	36	30

Major GPA	UM GPA	Other GPA Requirements	Other
2.0	2.0		

Policy

The School reserves the right to make changes in courses, degree requirements and course schedules without notice.

Students are expected to maintain a quality of achievement significantly above minimum UMKC standards for degree work. Individual student progress will be monitored throughout the program. Satisfactory progress is required of all students for retention in the program. Students are expected to maintain academic standards, perform satisfactorily in courses, refrain from academic dishonesty, comply with the established University and teacher education timetables and requirements, and refrain from unethical or unprofessional behavior or behaviors that obstruct the training process or threaten the welfare of the student or others. Other circumstances involving student behavior will be addressed by the faculty on an individual basis.

Academic and Career Advising

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<http://cas.umkc.edu/advising/default.asp>

UMKC Career Services Resources: <http://www.career.umkc.edu/> O*Net OnLine: <http://www.onetonline.org/>