

Four Year Graduation Plan – Courses & 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. For more information see the University Catalog at umkc.edu/catalog.

Your path to graduation may vary 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.

Please Note: Students who do not place into MATH 110 Precalculus Algebra or MATH 116 Math for Liberal Arts may have to complete preparatory math coursework, potentially adding hours to the total hours required for the degree.

First Math Course:	MATH 110 Precalculus Algebra OR MATH 116 Math for Liberal Arts	Foreign Language Requirement:	Yes	General Elective Hours:	23-26
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Critical Course	Course Subject, Number, & Title and Academic Plan Benchmarks Bold = UMKC General Education Core requirement ** Co-Requisite Enrollment Required	Min. Recom. Grade	Credit Hours	Notes
Fall Semester Year 1: 15 hours				
◆	Foreign Language Requirement ¹ (110 or higher) Click for options	B-	3	¹ The Foreign Language placement exam is highly recommended to ensure placement in the correct course level.
	Focus A Arts & Humanities Click for options		3	
	**Anchor I Reasoning & Values Click for options		3	
◆	**DISC 100 Reasoning & Values (Speech & Writing) Click for options	B	3	
	Introductory Core Course: POL-SCI 220 Introduction to Comparative Politics (Focus Elective) OR POL-SCI 230 International Relations		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 1: 15 hours				
	MATH 110 Precalculus Algebra ³ (Focus B) OR MATH 116 Math for Liberal Arts ³ (Focus B) OR STAT 235 Elementary Statistics ³ (Focus B)		3	Register for UMKC Handshake career network . ³ Enrollment restricted. Must take ALEKS Math Placement Exam or show prerequisite requirement has been met prior to enrolling.
◆	Foreign Language Requirement ¹ (120 or higher) Click for options	B-	3	
	**Anchor II Culture & Diversity Click for options		3	
	**DISC 200 Culture & Diversity (Speech & Writing) Click for options		3	
	Introductory Core Course: POL-SCI 220 Introduction to Comparative Politics (Focus Elective) OR POL-SCI 230 International Relations		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Summer Semester Year 1: 0-3 hours				
	MATH 110, 116, or STAT 235 ³ (if not previously completed)		3	

Complete Math Requirement Complete Anchor I & DISC 100 Complete at least Foreign Language Level I (110 or higher) Complete at least 30 total credit hours toward degree Maintain a minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA				
Fall Semester Year 2: 15 hours				
	CAS Science and Math Requirement Click for options		3	4 HISTORY 101, 102, & POL-SCI 210 fulfill both the Focus Elective & Missouri Constitution requirement. 5 Students select a focus in either Politics or Culture. Take the RooWriter Assessment after completing DISC 200. Must complete prior to enrolling in a Writing Intensive (WI) course.
◆	Foreign Language Requirement ¹ (211 or higher) Click for options	B-	3	
	Focus C Human Values & Ethical Reasoning Click for options (HISTORY 101, 102, or POL-SCI 210 ⁴ recommend)		3	
	CAS Social and Behavioral Sciences Requirement Click for options		3	
	Social and Cultural Awareness ⁵ OR Political and Economic Awareness ⁵ focus area course Click for options		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 2: 15 hours				
	Foreign Language 221 (or higher) Click for options		3	The 18 credit hours of Politics and Culture courses should include 9 credit hours that focus on the same world area (Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, or Middle East) Click for options
	CAS Arts and Humanities Requirement Click for options		3	
	CAS Social and Behavioral Sciences Requirement Click for options		3	
	Political and Economic Awareness course Click for options		3	
	General Elective		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Summer Semester Year 2: 0 hours				
Complete Anchor II & DISC 200 Complete Foreign Language Requirement (211 or higher) Complete RooWriter Assessment Complete at least 60 credit hours toward degree Maintain minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA				Consider a summer study-abroad program, especially if 315 is already completed, or prepare for a semester or year abroad program to fulfill the International Experience requirement. Click for options
Fall Semester Year 3: 15-17 hours				
	Foreign Language 315 (or higher) Click for options		3	
	CAS Science & Math Requirement Click for options (Must take at least one science course with lab)		3-5	
	Social and Cultural Awareness course Click for options		3	
	**Anchor III Civic & Community Engagement Click for options		3	
	**DISC 300 Civic & Community Engagement Click for options		3	
Complete 15+ credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 3: 15-17 hours				
	Foreign Language 325 (or higher) Click for options		3	
	CAS Arts and Humanities Requirement Click for options		3	
	Political and Economic Awareness course Click for options		3	

	Social and Cultural Awareness course Click for options		3	
	General Elective		3	
Complete 15+ credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Summer Semester Year 3: 0 hours				
Complete Anchor III & DISC 300 Complete at least 90 credit hours towards degree Maintain minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA				Consider a summer study-abroad program, prepare for a semester abroad program, or complete an appropriate internship to fulfill the International Experience requirement. Click for options
Fall Semester Year 4: 15 hours				
	Social and Cultural Awareness ⁵ OR Political and Economic Awareness ⁵ focus area course Click for options		3	Apply for graduation & complete your Final Degree Audit for Major and Minor (if applicable).
	Internship (if International Experience requirement not previously fulfilled with study abroad or summer internship)		3	
	General Elective ⁶		3	Take the HEIghten exit exam.
	General Elective		3	⁵ Students select a focus in either Politics or Culture.
	General Elective		3	⁶ Choose a Foreign Language 3xx/4xx course as an elective to progress toward a language minor.
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 4: 12-15 hours				
	Writing Intensive Course		3	⁶ Choose a Foreign Language 3xx/4xx course as an elective to progress toward a language minor.
	General Elective ⁶		3	
	General Elective		3	Students choosing to double-major in International Studies and another emphasis area in Languages & Literatures may double count up to 18 credit hours.
	General Elective		3	
	General Elective (if needed to reach 120 hours)		3	
Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				

Graduation Requirements Summary

Total Hours	Total Hours at UMKC	Upper Lvl Hrs in Major at UMKC	Upper (300 / 400) Level Hours	Major GPA	UMKC GPA
120 minimum	30 minimum	12 minimum	36 minimum	2.00 minimum	2.00 minimum

Other Information

A minimum of 30 hours must be earned at the University of Missouri-Kansas City, regardless of the number and level of hours earned at another institution. Undergraduate degree-seeking students are required to earn credit in at least 36 hours of coursework numbered 300 and above at UMKC. In the case of transfer credit, the coursework must be numbered as junior-senior level work by the transferring institution. Community-college transfer coursework cannot count towards the 36-hour requirement.

Non-course Requirements

Missouri Higher Education Civics Achievement Examination _____

RooWriter Assessment _____

HEIghten exit exam _____

Policy

The University reserves the right to make changes in courses and course schedules. 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 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.

Advising Contact Information

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09 Scofield Hall (basement)
<http://cas.umkc.edu/advising/default.asp>
816-235-1148

Career Opportunities

UMKC Career Services – career.umkc.edu | 816-235-1636 | 2nd Floor, Atterbury Student Success Center.
O*Net OnLine – OnetOnline.org Learn about careers related to your major, income potential, and more.