

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 higher may have to complete preparatory math coursework, potentially adding hours to the total hours required for the degree.

First Math Course:	MATH 110 Pre-calculus Algebra OR STAT 235 Elementary Statistics	Foreign Language Requirement:	Yes	Free Choice Elective Hours:	28
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Critical Course	Course Subject, Number, & Title and Academic Plan Benchmarks Bold = UMKC General Education Core requirement *Prerequisite May Be Required ** Co-Requisite Enrollment Required	Min. Recom. Grade	Credit Hours	Notes
Fall Semester Year 1: 15 hours				
◆	MATH 110 Precalculus Algebra ¹ OR STAT 235 Elementary Statistics ¹ (Focus B)	B	3	¹ Enrollment restricted. Must take ALEKS Math Placement Exam or show prerequisite requirement has been met prior to enrolling. ² The Foreign Language placement exam is highly recommended to ensure placement in the correct course level.
	Foreign Language Requirement ² (110 or higher) Click for options		3	
◆	**Anchor I Reasoning & Values Click for options Recommend ANCH 102 Intro to Urban Studies	B	3	
	**DISC 100 Reasoning & Values (Speech & Writing) Click for options		3	
	General Elective		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 1: 15 hours				
◆	URBAN ST Introductory Course (if ANCH 102 not taken above) OR STAT 235 Elementary Statistics ¹ (if not taken above)	B	3	³ HISTORY 101, 102, or POL-SCI 210 meet both Focus C & Missouri Constitution Requirements. Register for UMKC Handshake career network .
	Foreign Language Requirement (120 or higher)		3	
	Focus C Human Values & Ethical Reasoning Click for options HISTORY 101, 102, or POL-SCI 210 Recommended ³		3	
	**Anchor II Culture & Diversity Click for options ANCH 211 Cities of the World OR 268 Queer in the City recommended		3	
◆	**DISC 200 Culture & Diversity (Speech & Writing) Click for options	B	3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Summer Semester Year 1: 0-3 hours				
◆	STAT 235 Elementary Statistics (if not previously completed)	B	3	
Complete Anchor I & DISC 100 Complete at least one Foreign Language course (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				
◆	Urban Studies History Requirement - UPD 260 History of Planning & Urban Design OR HIST 356R Kansas City History of a Regional Metropolis	B	3	Take the RooWriter Assessment after completing DISC 200. Must complete prior to enrolling in a Writing Intensive (WI) course.
	Foreign Language Requirement (211 or higher)		3	
	General Elective (ECON 201 Introduction to Economics I OR SOCIO 101 Sociology: An Introduction OR GEOG 105 Intro to Elements of Geography OR PSYCH 210 General Psychology recommended)		3	
	General Elective (GIS 203 Intro to GIS recommended)		3	
	General Elective (Complete MO Constitution requirement if not completed above)		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 2: 16-17 hours				
	Urban Studies Elective (Interest Area Course ⁵) Click for options		3	
	GEOG 309 Urban Geography OR UPD 320 Planning Theory & Practice		3	
	CAS Science & Math Requirement Click for options (Must take at least one science course with lab)		4-5	
	**Anchor III Civic & Community Engagement Click for options		3	
	**DISC 300 Civic & Community Engagement (Speech & Writing) Click for options		3	
Complete 16+ credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Summer Semester Year 2: 0-1 hour				
	URBAN ST 495 Urban Studies Internship ⁴		1	4 Students may take URBAN ST 495 starting summer year 2. May repeat a max of 2 times for credit.
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				
Fall Semester Year 3: 15 hours				
	Urban Studies Methods Course – SOCIO 362 Methods of Sociological Research OR SOCIO 434 Spatial Thinking in Social Science OR UPD 300 Quantitative Planning Methods & Techniques		3	5 In addition to the major, students must also select an 18-hour interest area. For details, see the UMKC Catalog .
	Urban Studies Elective (Interest Area Course) Click for options		3	
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	CAS Arts & Humanities Requirement Click for options		3	
	Focus A Arts & Humanities Click for options		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 3: 15 hours				
	Urban Studies Elective (Interest Area Course) Click for options		3	Apply for graduation & complete your Final Degree Audit for Major and Minor (if applicable).
	Urban Studies Elective (Interest Area Course) Click for options		3	

	Urban Studies Urban Political Economy Course – ECON 336 The Kansas City Economy OR ECON 458 Urban Economics		3	
	Focus Elective – any additional focus course Click for options		3	
	General Elective		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Summer Semester Year 3: 0-1 hour				
	URBAN ST 495 Urban Studies Internship ⁶		0-1	⁶ URBAN ST 495 strongly recommended. See program director for placement assistance.
Complete Anchor III & DISC 300 Complete at least 90 credit hours towards degree Maintain minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA				
Fall Semester Year 4: 12-15 hours				
	URBAN ST 495 Internship (if not completed above)		0-3	Take the HElighten exit exam.
	Urban Studies Race / Class / Gender Course – CJC 431 Hate & Bias Crimes OR ECON 341 Race, Class, & Gender: Theory, History & Policy OR LLS 201 Introduction to Latina/o Studies OR SOCIO 322 Race & Ethnic Relations		3	
	Urban Studies Elective (Interest Area Course) Click for options		3	
	General Elective		3	
	CAS Science & Math Requirement Click for options (if MATH 110 not taken above) OR General Elective		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 4: 12 – 15 hours				
	URBAN ST 499WI Urban Studies Seminar		3	
	URBAN ST 495 Internship (if not completed above)		0-3	
	CAS Arts & Humanities Requirement Click for options		3	
	General Elective		3	
	General Elective (if needed to reach 120 hours)		3-6	
Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				

Graduation Requirements Summary

Total Hours	Total Hours at UMKC	Total Hours in Major at UMKC	300/400 level hours	Major GPA	UMKC GPA
120	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 Writing Assessment
HEIghten exit exam

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Policy

The University reserves the right to make changes in courses 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.

Advising Contact Information

College of Arts & Sciences Student Services
09 Scofield Hall (basement)
<https://cas.umkc.edu/student-services/>
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](https://www.onetonline.org) Learn about careers related to your major, income potential, and more.