

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.

First Math Course:	Math Not Required	Foreign Language Requirement:	None	General Elective Hours:	0
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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. Reccom. Grade	Credit Hours	Notes
Fall Semester Year 1: 16 hours				
◆	CONSVTY 141 Musicianship I	B	4	Jury may be required.
◆	CONSVTY 110 Keyboard Skills I	B	1	
	VOICE101 Lessons		2	
	VOICE 300 Studio Class		0	
	CONSVTY TBD Ensemble Click for options		1	
	CONSVTY 185B Foreign Language for Singing (Italian Diction)		2	
	**Anchor I Reasoning & Values Click for options (ANCH 103 Muse recommended)		3	
	**DISC 100 Reasoning & Values (Speech & Writing) Click for options		3	
Complete 16 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 1: 16 hours				
◆	CONSVTY 142 Musicianship II	B	4	Register for UMKC Handshake career network . Jury may be required.
◆	CONSVTY 123 Keyboard Skills II	B	1	
	VOICE 102 Lessons		2	
	VOICE 300 Studio Class		0	
	CONSVTY TBD Ensemble Click for options		1	
	CONSVTY 185C Foreign Language for Singing (German Diction) OR CONSVTY 185D Foreign Language for Singing (French Diction)		2	
	**Anchor II Culture & Diversity Click for options		3	
	**DISC 200 Culture & Diversity (Speech & Writing) Click for options		3	
Complete 16 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				

Summer Semester Year 1: 0 hours				
Complete Anchor I & DISC 100 Complete at least 30 total credit hours toward degree Maintain a minimum 2.80 cumulative GPA				Students may use the summer to ensure completion of 30 hours per academic year or to lighten fall and spring course loads.
Fall Semester Year 2: 18 hours				
◆	CONSVTY 241 Musicianship III	B	4	Take the RooWriter Assessment after completing DISC 200. Should complete prior to reaching 90 total hours. Jury may be required.
◆	CONSVTY 223 Keyboard Skills III	B	1	
	VOICE 201 Lessons		2	
	VOICE 300 Studio Class		0	
	CONSVTY TBD Ensemble Click for options		1	
	CONSVTY 373P Survey of Strings		1	
◆	CONSVTY 278 Music Teaching Matters – A Professional Beginning	B	3	
	**Anchor III Civic & Community Engagement Click for options		3	
	**DISC 300 Civic & Community Engagement (Speech & Writing) Click for options		3	
Complete 18 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 2: 13 hours				
◆	CONSVTY 242 Musicianship IV	B	4	Jury may be required.
◆	CONSVTY 310 Keyboard Skills IV	B	1	
	VOICE 202 Lessons		2	
	VOICE 300 Studio Class		0	
	CONSVTY TBD Ensemble Click for options		1	
	CONSVTY 373N Survey of Wind & Percussion Instruments		1	
	CONSVTY 373G Guitar Techniques		1	
	TCH-ED 403 Educational Psychology		3	
Complete 13 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Summer Semester Year 2: 0 hours				
Complete RooWriter Assessment Complete Anchor II & DISC 200 Complete at least 60 total credit hours toward degree Maintain a minimum 2.80 cumulative GPA				Students may use the summer to ensure completion of 30 hours per academic year or to lighten fall and spring course loads.
Fall Semester Year 3: 17 hours				
	VOICE 301 Lessons		2	Jury may be required.
	VOICE 300 Studio Class		0	
	CONSVTY TBD Ensemble Click for options		1	
	CONSVTY 370 Choral/Vocal Techniques		2	
	CONSVTY 351 History of Music I (Focus A)		3	
	CONSVTY 380 Basic Conducting – Choral		2	

	CONSVTY 405 Foundations of Music Education		3		
	CONSVTY 411A Field Experience		1		
	Focus B Scientific Reasoning & Quantitative Analysis¹ Click for options		3		
Complete 17 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA					
Spring Semester Year 3: 17 hours					
	VOICE 302 Lessons		2		
	VOICE 300 Studio Class		0		
	CONSVTY TBD Ensemble Click for options		1		
	CONSVTY 352 Music History II (Focus Elective)		3	Apply for graduation & complete your Final Degree Audit for Major and Minor (if applicable). Jury may be required.	
	CONSVTY 382 Advanced Conducting		2		
	CONSVTY 357 Choral Literature		2		
	CONSVTY 387 Secondary Music Methods - Choral		3		
	CONSVTY 411B Field Experience		1		
	EDRD 439 Language & Literacy across the Disciplines		3		
Complete 17 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA					
Summer Semester Year 3: 0 hours					
Complete at least 90 total credit hours toward degree Maintain a minimum 2.80 cumulative GPA				Students may use the summer to ensure completion of 30 hours per academic year or to lighten fall and spring course loads.	
Fall Semester Year 4: 16 hours					
	CONSVTY TBD Ensemble Click for options		1		
	CONSVTY 385 Elementary Methods		3		
	CONSVTY411C Field Experience		1	Take the HEighten exit exam.	
	CONSVTY 425A Choral Arranging		2	Jury may be required.	
	TCH-ED 420 Adolescent Development		3	¹ HISTORY 101, 102, & POL-SCI 210 fulfill both the Focus C & Missouri Constitution requirement .	
	TCH-ED 404 Exceptional Child		3		
	Focus C Human Values & Ethical Reasoning Click for options Recommend HISTORY 101, 102, or POL-SCI 210 ¹		3		
Complete 16 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA					
Spring Semester Year 4: 14 hours					
	CONSVTY 412A Student Teaching – Elementary		4		
	CONSVTY 412B Student Teaching – Secondary		4		
	TCH-ED 419 Student Teaching – Elementary		3	Jury may be required.	
	TCH-ED 437 Student Teaching – Secondary		3		
Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA Maintain a minimum 2.80 cumulative GPA					

Graduation Requirements Summary

Total Hours	Total Hours at UMKC	Upper Lvl Hrs in Major at UMKC	Total Upper Level (300/400) hours	Major GPA	UMKC GPA
127 minimum	30 minimum	12 minimum	36 minimum	3.00 minimum	2.80 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. 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.

Program Description

The BME-VOICEal degree is a rigorous program that prepares students as musicians, performers and teachers. In addition to core classes in musicianship, performance and teaching techniques, students gain extensive experience through field experiences within local schools. Upon completion of their student teaching our graduates are prepared as innovative leaders in the classroom and in their communities. Completion of the bachelor of music education (BME) degree fulfills the course requirements to teach music in grades K-12 (elementary general music and secondary vocal or VOICEal music) in both Missouri and Kansas. Students may earn a BME degree with an emphasis in choral or VOICEal music.

Admission Requirements

- Complete the [UMKC application](#) for admission.
- Complete the [Conservatory Supplemental Application](#) for admission.
- Qualify for the first semester freshman level of lessons on the applied VOICE for 2 units/credit hours at the audition for admission.
- Show demonstrable knowledge of all major and minor scales and arpeggios in one or two octaves, etudes and solos from standard literature of the VOICE.
- Membership in high-school orchestra or band is desirable.
- Students must have an ACT score of 21 or higher, or be at the 50 percentile or higher in the high school class rank, or have a high school grade point average of 2.5 or better.
- Applicants are required to complete an interview with a music education faculty member prior to admission.
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Advising Contact Information

Conservatory Phone 816-235-2900
Conservatory Website conservatory.umkc.edu

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.