

**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](http://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 College Algebra or higher may have to complete preparatory math coursework, potentially adding 3 hours to the total hours required for the degree.

**The following coursework must be completed prior to applying to the BSN Clinical Program:** HLSC 101, NURSE 101, LS-MCRB 112, CHEM 115 + 115L OR CHEM 211 + 211L, NURSE 120, MATH 110, and NURSE 160.

<b>First Math Course:</b>	MATH 110 College Algebra	<b>Foreign Language Requirement:</b>	Yes	<b>General Elective Hours:</b>	None
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Critical Course	Course Subject, Number, & Title and Academic Plan Benchmarks <b>Bold = UMKC General Education Core requirement</b> *Prerequisite May Be Required ** Co-Requisite Enrollment Required	Min. Recom. Grade	Credit Hours	Notes
<b>Fall Semester Year 1: 18 hours</b>				
◆	NURSE 101 Introduction to Nursing	B	2	<b>All students interested in nursing are admitted to UMKC as Bachelor of Health Sciences – Pre-Nursing.</b> Students will transition to the Nursing major upon acceptance into the BSN Clinical program.  A grade of B- in all prerequisite & nursing coursework and a 2.75 cumulative and semester GPA are the minimum required for admission to the clinical BSN program. Due to the competitiveness of the program however, A and B grades only and a 3.500 or higher cumulative and semester GPA are highly recommended.
	MATH 110 College Algebra <sup>1</sup> ( <b>Focus Elective</b> )		3	
◆	NURSE 120 Anatomy & Physiology I	B	4	
	BIOLOGY 112 Microbiology & Living		3	
	<b>**Anchor I Reasoning &amp; Values</b> <a href="#">Click for options</a> (ANCH 106 Money, Medicine, & Morals recommended)		3	
	<b>**DISC 100 Reasoning &amp; Values</b> (Speech & Writing) <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
Complete 16+ credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA				
<b>Spring Semester Year 1: 18 hours</b>				
◆	NURSE 160 Anatomy & Physiology II	B	4	<sup>1</sup> Enrollment restricted. Must take <a href="#">ALEKS Math Placement Exam</a> or show prerequisite requirement has been met prior to enrolling.  <a href="#">Application for the BSN Clinical Program due by January 31</a> to begin the following fall semester.
	HLSC 101 Introduction to Health Sciences		3	
	CHEM 115 + 115L Elements of Chemistry with Lab ( <b>Focus B</b> ) OR CHEM 211 + 211L General Chemistry I with Lab ( <b>Focus B</b> )		5	
	<b>**Anchor II Culture &amp; Diversity</b> <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	<b>**DISC 200 Culture &amp; Diversity</b> (Speech & Writing) <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
Complete 16+ credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA				

Summer Semester Year 1: 0-3 hours				
	MATH 110 College Algebra (if not already completed)		3	
Complete Math Requirement Complete Anchor I & DISC 100 Complete at least 30 total credit hours toward degree Maintain a minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA				
Fall Semester Year 2: 16 hours – Start of BSN Clinical Program				
	NURSE 127 Drug Calculations		1	<b>Start of 3-year BSN Clinical Program</b> (if admitted).  Take the <a href="#">RooWriter Assessment</a> after completing DISC 200. Must complete prior to complete 90 hours.
	NURSE 220 Fundamental Concepts & Skills		6	
	NURSE 230 Health Issues in Aging		2	
	NURSE 250 Health Assessment for Nursing Practice		3	
	NURSE 395 Pathophysiology		3	
	NURSE 125 Medical Terminology		1	
Complete 16 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA				
Spring Semester Year 2: 17 hours				
	NURSE 252 Human Growth & Development		3	
	NURSE 256 Pharmacology		3	
	NURSE 262 Management of Adult Health I		5	
	CHEM 206 Human Nutrition		3	
	<b>Focus A Arts &amp; Humanities</b> <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
Complete 17 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA				
Summer Semester Year 2: 0 hours				
Complete Anchor II & DISC 200 Complete RooWriter Assessment Complete at least 60 credit hours toward degree Maintain minimum 2.75 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				
	NURSE 345 Quantitative Analysis in the Health Sciences		3	
	NURSE 364 Management of Maternal Family & Health (8 weeks)		4	
	NURSE 366 Management of Child & Adolescent Health		4	
	**Anchor III Civic & Community Engagement <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	**DISC 300 Civic & Community Engagement <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
Complete 17 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA				
Spring Semester Year 3: 15 hours				
	Foreign Language Course (110 level or higher) <sup>2</sup>		3	<sup>2</sup> <a href="#">The Foreign Language placement exam</a> is highly recommended to ensure placement in the correct course level.
	NURSE 360 Management of Mental Health (8 weeks)		4	
	NURSE 362 Management of Adult Health (8 weeks)		5	
	HISTORY 101, HISTORY 102, or POL-SCI 210 ( <b>Focus C</b> & MO Constitution requirement)		3	

Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA				
<b>Summer Semester Year 3: 0 hours</b>				
Complete Anchor III & DISC 300 Complete at least 90 credit hours towards degree Maintain minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA				Students may use the summer to ensure completion of 30 hours per academic year or to lighten fall and spring course loads.
<b>Fall Semester Year 4: 15 hours</b>				
	NURSE 342 Legal & Ethical issues		2	<a href="#">Apply for graduation</a> Take the <a href="#">HEIghten</a> exit exam.
	NURSE 476 Scientific Inquiry		3	
	NURSE 404 Introduction to Social Justice		1	
	NURSE 465 Management of Community Health Nursing		4	
	NURSE 467 Management of Critical & Emergent Care		5	
Complete 16 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA				
<b>Spring Semester Year 4: 12 hours</b>				
	NURSE 462 Special Topics in Healthcare		2	
	NURSE 468 Effectiveness in Complex Health Systems		4	
	NURSE 472 Clinical Internship		5	
	NURSE 490 Special Topics (Nursing Elective)		1	
Earn minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA				

<b>Graduation Requirements Summary</b>					
Total Hours	Total Hours at UMKC	Total Hours in Major at UMKC	300/400 level hours	Major GPA	UMKC GPA
128 minimum	30 minimum	30 minimum	36 minimum	2.75 minimum	2.75 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	Met
RooWriter Writing Assessment	___
HEIghten exit exam	___

### 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.

All students completing an undergraduate degree must meet the following conditions in order to graduate and be recommended for graduation or certification:

- Students must maintain a minimum semester GPA of 2.75 and no course grade can be less than a B-.
- Students must keep a current copy of all immunization on file with SoNHS.
- All students must complete a Criminal Background Check, Mental Health Background Check & Drug Screen.

## Program Description & Admission Requirements

The UMKC School of Nursing & Health Studies mission is to prepare the nursing and other health professional workforce as leaders in improving health outcomes through inter-professional practice, research, and education; excel in the delivery and improvement of health care to diverse populations including urban, rural, and under-served areas; and create diverse and dynamic campus and virtual learning communities.

**First Time College Students:** Admission to UMKC is all that is required for students applying for pre-nursing. High school students applying to UMKC for the first time with a minimum ACT score of 27, will be guaranteed admission to the clinical major in the sophomore year if all of the pre-requisite courses below are successfully completed (no C+ or below grades and 2.750 minimum GPA) the freshman year.

- Criteria for Progression in Pre-Nursing and Eligibility to Apply to the Pre-Licensure BSN Clinical Program:
- Students must achieve a minimum grade of C in all required general education courses prior to or while admitted to the nursing program in order to continue progression in the nursing program. A grade of less than C (C-, D+, D, F, and NR) or Audit/AT is not satisfactory for progression.
- Students taking science pre-requisites or admitted to the nursing program must achieve a grade of B- or better in all courses.
- Satisfactory completion of all pre-requisite courses (no C+ grades or lower and a minimum 2.750 nursing GPA, although a 3.500 cumulative or higher GPA is highly recommended), 36 hours minimum suggested, including all core science courses by the end of the Spring semester prior to entering the nursing major in the fall. Completed courses must include:
- Chemistry w/lab, Microbiology (no lab required), Anatomy & Physiology with lab, College Algebra, NURSE 101 Intro to Nursing (at UMKC) and HLSC 101 Intro to Health Sciences (at UMKC, HLSC 101 waived if student has either A&S 101 or 60+ transfer credit hours and a 3.5+ cumulative GPA).

## Advising Contact Information

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## Career Opportunities

The pre-licensure BSN curriculum prepares students to succeed as nurses in the management of health. The BSN degree program helps students prepare for the NCLEX licensure examination (for the RN license). **Completion of the BSN program does not guarantee eligibility to write the licensure examination.** Completion of the program guarantees the eligibility to apply to the State Board of Nursing to write the licensure examination.

UMKC Career Services – [career.umkc.edu](http://career.umkc.edu) | 816-235-1636 | 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Atterbury Student Success Center  
O\*Net OnLine – [OnetOnline.org](http://OnetOnline.org) Learn about careers related to your major, income potential, and more.