

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 MATH 116, or 200-level MATH/STAT	Foreign Language Requirement	Yes	Free Elective Hours	16-34
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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 Click for options		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. ENGLISH 214, 215, or 216 satisfies Focus A: Arts & Humanities.
	**DISC 100: Reasoning and Values (Speech and Writing)		3	
	Foreign Language Requirement (110 or higher) – Click for options		3	
	ENGLISH 213: Introduction to Drama OR ENGLISH 214: Introduction to Fiction (Focus A) OR ENGLISH 215: Introduction to Poetry (Focus A) OR ENGLISH 216: The Craft of Creative Writing (Focus A)		3	
	Free Elective		3	
	Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required) Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA Earn minimum 2.000 cumulative UM GPA			

Spring Semester Year 1: 15 hours



	**Anchor II: Culture and Diversity Click for options		3	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. MATH 110 & MATH 116 satisfy Focus B: Scientific Reasoning & Quantitative Analysis Requirement.
	**DISC 200: Culture and Diversity (Speech and Writing)		3	
	MATH 110: College Algebra (Focus B) OR MATH 116: Math for Liberal Arts (Focus B) OR *MATH/STAT 200+ – Click for options	C-	3	
	Foreign Language Requirement (120 or higher)		3	
	Free Elective		3	
	Complete Anchor I and DISC 100 Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required) Complete 30 total hours minimum toward degree Complete Math requirement (110, 116, or 200-level MATH/STAT course) Complete at least one Foreign Language course (110 or higher)			

Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA
 Earn minimum 2.000 cumulative UM GPA



Summer Semester Year 1: 0 hours if all previous courses completed

May use summer semester ensure completion of 30 hours per academic year or to lighten fall and spring course loads.

Fall Semester Year 2: 15 hours

	ENGLISH 3XX: One course in Literature Survey Sequence - Click for options	C-	3	Take the RooWriter Writing Assessment the semester immediately following DISC 200 and at least a semester before registering for a Writing Intensive course. POL-SCI 210, HISTORY 101 or 102 fulfill Focus C: Human Actions, Values, and Ethics as well as the Constitution requirement.
	Foreign Language Requirement (211 or higher)		3	
	Focus C: Human Actions, Values, and Ethics Click for options (May choose Focus C course to also fulfill MO Constitution Requirement)		3	
	Focus Elective – Click for options		3	
	CAS Social & Behavioral Sciences Requirement - Click for options		3	
	Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required) Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA Earn minimum 2.000 cumulative UM GPA			

Spring Semester Year 2: 16-17 hours

	First course of Writing Sequence in fiction, poetry, or nonfiction: ENGLISH 312: Creative Writing I Fiction OR ENGLISH 315: Creative Writing Poetry OR ENGLISH 316WI: Literary Nonfiction (CAS Writing Intensive Requirement)	C-	3	
	ENGLISH 3XX: One course in Literature Survey Sequence – Click for options		3	
	CAS Science & Math Requirement – Must take Lab Science to fulfill Laboratory requirement		4-5	
	CAS Arts & Humanities Requirement – Click for options		3	
	Focus B - (if not fulfilled above) – Click for options OR Free Elective		3	
	Complete Anchor II and DISC 200 Complete Foreign Language Requirement (211 or higher) Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required) Complete 60 total hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA Earn minimum 2.000 cumulative UM GPA			

Summer Semester Year 2: 0 hours if all previous courses completed

Fall Semester Year 3: 15 hours


	**Anchor III: Civic and Community Engagement Click for options		3	Students must complete 18 of 36 hours for the English major at
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UMKC Major Map: Bachelor of Arts in English (Creative Writing Emphasis)

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	**DISC 300: Civic and Community Engagement (Speech and Writing)		3	UMKC.
	Second course of Writing Sequence in fiction, poetry, or nonfiction (CAS Writing Intensive Requirement, if not fulfilled above): ENGLISH 432WI: Advanced Creative Writing Prose (if 312 taken above) OR ENGLISH 435WI: Advanced Creative Writing Poetry (if 315 taken above) OR ENGLISH 436WI: Poetic Forms (if 315 taken above) OR ENGLISH 437WI: Prose Forms (if 312 taken above) OR ENGLISH 475: Creative Nonfiction (if 316WI taken above)		3	Students in the Creative Writing Emphasis may take ENGLISH 432WI or 437WI a second time for credit, provided the course instructor is different.
	ENGLISH 323: Shakespeare		3	
	Focus A: Arts and Humanities (if not fulfilled above) Click for options OR Free Elective		3	

 Complete RooWriter Writing Assessment
Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required)
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Spring Semester Year 3: 15 hours

	ENGLISH 3XX/4XX Writing Elective – Click for options		3	Students must complete the writing sequence in poetry or prose before applying for the Senior Tutorial.
	ENGLISH 3XX/4XX Rhetoric Course – Click for options		3	
	CAS Arts & Humanities Requirement – Click for options		3	
	Missouri Constitution course (if not fulfilled by above) – Click for options OR other CAS Social & Behavioral Sciences Requirement – Click for options		3	
	Free Elective		3	

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Summer Semester Year 3: 0 hours if all previous courses completed

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Fall Semester Year 4: 15 hours

	ENGLISH 3XX/4XX: Writing Elective – Click for options		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. Take the ETS Proficiency Profile (EPP) exit exam.
	ENGLISH 3XX/4XX: English Literature Elective – Click for options		3	
	ENGLISH 3XX: Linguistics Course—Choose from: ENGLISH 310: Introduction to Linguistics Language Science OR ENGLISH 320: Structure of English OR ENGLISH 330: History of the English Language		3	
	CAS Science & Math Requirement – Click for options		3	
	Free Elective		3	

 Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required)



Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA
Earn minimum 2.000 cumulative UM GPA

Spring Semester Year 4: 13-16 hours

^ENGLISH 4XX: Capstone Course—Choose from: ENGLISH 432WI: Advanced Creative Writing Prose OR ENGLISH 435WI: Advanced Creative Writing Poetry OR ENGLISH 436WI: Poetic Forms OR ENGLISH 437WI: Prose Forms OR ENGLISH 475: Creative Nonfiction ENGLISH 499: Senior Tutorial		3	Students must apply to the instructor for permission to take ENGLISH 499: Senior Tutorial. 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.
Free Elective		3	^Students must complete a Capstone Contract in order to receive credit for the capstone course.
Free Elective		3	
Free Elective		4	
<i>Free Elective (only take these credits if needed to reach 120 minimum hours)</i>		0-3	



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Graduation Requirements Summary

Total Hours (120 minimum)	Total Hours at UMKC (30 hours min)	Major GPA	UMKC GPA
120	30	2.0	2.0

Other Information and Policy

Non-course requirements

RooWriter Writing Assessment
ETS Proficiency Profile (EPP) exam

Met

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.

A minimum of 36 upper-level hours required for graduation.

Advising Contact Information

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Career Opportunities

UMKC Career Services Resources: <http://www.career.umkc.edu/?q=node/87>
O*Net OnLine: <http://www.onetonline.org/find/>