

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	<b>MATH 110 or MATH 116, or 200-level MATH/STAT</b>	Foreign Language Requirement	Yes	Free Elective Hours	10-28
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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

	<b>**Anchor I: Reasoning and Values</b> <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	Foreign Language is required for all B.A. degrees in the College of Arts and Sciences; The <a href="#">foreign language placement exam</a> is highly recommended to ensure placement in the correct level.
	<b>**DISC 100: Reasoning and Values</b> (Speech and Writing)		3	
	Foreign Language Requirement (110 or higher) – <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	<b>Focus A: Arts and Humanities</b> <a href="#">Click for options</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			ENGLISH 119, 120, 123, 126, 130, 141, 207, 214, 215, 216, 242, and 278 are 1XX/2XX courses that satisfy <b>Focus A: Arts &amp; Humanities.</b>



Spring Semester Year 1: 15 hours

	<b>**Anchor II: Culture and Diversity</b> <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	<a href="#">ALEKS Math Placement Exam</a> is required prior to enrollment in MATH 110 and some 200-level MATH/STATS courses.
	<b>**DISC 200: Culture and Diversity</b> (Speech and Writing)		3	
	MATH 110: College Algebra ( <b>Focus B</b> ) OR MATH 116: Math for Liberal Arts ( <b>Focus B</b> ) OR *MATH/STAT 200+ – <a href="#">Click for options</a>	C-	3	If ALEKS places student in MATH 100: Intermediate Algebra, student may complete Math requirement in the first summer.
	Foreign Language Requirement (120 or higher)		3	
	Free Elective		3	MATH 110 & MATH 116 satisfy <b>Focus B: Scientific Reasoning &amp; Quantitative Analysis Requirement.</b>
	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.
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**Fall Semester Year 2: 15 hours**

	American/British Survey course for major: ENGLISH 311: American Literature I OR ENGLISH 321: American Literature II OR ENGLISH 317: British Literature I OR ENGLISH 327: British Literature II	C-	3	Take the <b>RooWriter Writing Assessment</b> the semester immediately following DISC 200 and at least a semester before registering for a Writing Intensive course.  English Literature surveys do not have to be taken in numerical order (for example, 321 can be taken before 311).  POL-SCI 210, HISTORY 101 or 102 fulfill <b>Focus C: Human Actions, Values, and Ethics</b> as well as the Constitution requirement.
	Foreign Language Requirement (211 or higher)		3	
	<b>Focus C: Human Actions, Values, and Ethics</b> <a href="#">Click for options</a> (May choose Focus C course to also fulfill MO Constitution Requirement)		3	
	<b>Focus B: Scientific Reasoning and Quantitative Analysis</b> (if not fulfilled above) – <a href="#">Click for options</a> OR Free Elective		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 2: 16-17 hours**

	American/British Survey course for major: ENGLISH 311: American Literature I OR ENGLISH 321: American Literature II OR ENGLISH 317: British Literature I OR ENGLISH 327: British Literature II	C-	3	No course can satisfy more than one requirement for the major.
	<b>Focus Elective</b> - <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	CAS Science & Math Requirement – Must take Lab Science to fulfill Laboratory requirement		4-5	
	CAS Arts & Humanities Requirement – <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	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**

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**Fall Semester Year 3: 15 hours**


	<b>**Anchor III: Civic and Community Engagement</b> <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	Students must complete 18 of 36 hours for the English major at UMKC.
	<b>**DISC 300: Civic and Community Engagement</b> (Speech and		3	

	Writing)		
	American/British Survey course for major: ENGLISH 311: American Literature I OR ENGLISH 321: American Literature II OR ENGLISH 317: British Literature I OR ENGLISH 327: British Literature II		3
	ENGLISH 323: Shakespeare		3
	Missouri Constitution course (if not fulfilled by above) – <a href="#">Click for options</a> OR other CAS Social & Behavioral Sciences Requirement – <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3

 Complete RooWriter Writing Assessment  
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 3: 15 hours**

	American/British Survey course for major: ENGLISH 311: American Literature I OR ENGLISH 321: American Literature II OR ENGLISH 317: British Literature I OR ENGLISH 327: British Literature II		3
	^ENGLISH 1XX/2XX/3XX/4XX: English Language/Rhetoric/Creative Writing/Literature Elective – <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3
	ENGLISH 3XX/4XX: Rhetoric course – <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3
	CAS Science & Math Requirement – <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3
	CAS Social & Behavioral Sciences Requirement – <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3

 Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required)  
Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA  
Earn minimum 2.000 cumulative UM GPA

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

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**Fall Semester Year 4: 15 hours**

	^ENGLISH 3XX/4XX: English Language/Rhetoric/Creative Writing/Literature Elective – <a href="#">Click for options</a>		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 Language/Rhetoric/Theory Elective – <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	ENGLISH 3XX: Linguistics Course - <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	3XX/4XX: Writing Intensive Course (CAS Writing Intensive Requirement) (only if Writing Intensive has not been met through major requirement) OR Free Elective		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

<p>^ENGLISH 4XX: Capstone Course—Choose from: ENGLISH 499: Senior Tutorial OR Cross-listed ENGLISH 4XX/55XX in Literature or Linguistics - <a href="#">Click for options</a></p>	3	Students must apply to the instructor for permission to take ENGLISH 499: Senior Tutorial.
CAS Arts & Humanities Requirement – <a href="#">Click for options</a>	3	In combination with required upper-level courses, take enough
^ENGLISH 3XX/4XX: English Language/Rhetoric/Theory Elective – <a href="#">Click for options</a>	3	Free Elective hours at the 300/400-level to meet the minimum requirement of 36
Free Elective	4	upper-level credit hours.
<i>Free Elective (only take these credits if needed to reach 120 minimum hours)</i>	0-3	^Students must complete a Capstone Contract in order to receive credit for the capstone course.
<p> Complete 15 term hours toward degree (recommended), 12 minimum (required) Earn minimum 2.000 term GPA Earn minimum 2.000 cumulative UM GPA</p>		

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.

^Two of the four electives (6 credits) must be chosen from Language, Rhetoric or Theory (305WI, 307WI, 308, 309WI, 310, 320, 330, 342WI, 433, 441, 445, 447, 470). The other two electives (6 credits) may be chosen from any 300/400-level language, rhetoric, creative writing, or literature courses. No more than one course in Creative Writing (312, 315, 316WI, 339, 429, 432WI, 435WI, 436WI, 437WI, 438, 442, 443, 475) may count toward the 36-hour requirement for the Language and Rhetoric major. No courses in expository writing or journalism (301WI, 303WI, 304WI, 305WI, 313WI, 401WI, 402, 405, 430WI) may be used to fulfill the 300/400-level elective requirements.

Advising Contact Information

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<http://cas.umkc.edu/advising/default.asp>

## Career Opportunities

UMKC Career Services Resources: <http://www.career.umkc.edu/?q=node/87>

O\*Net OnLine: <http://www.onetonline.org/find/>