

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 130: Math for Teachers: Number Systems	Foreign Language Requirement	No	Free Elective Hours	No Free Electives
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**NOTE: All Teacher Education Professional and Pre-Education courses must be completed with a C or better. The "minimum grade" column indicates the recommended grade for this course.**

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: 19 hours

	<b>**Anchor I: Reasoning and Values</b> <a href="http://www.umkc.edu/core/courses/">www.umkc.edu/core/courses/</a>		3	***Preparatory course for the MoGEA exam.
	<b>**DISC 100: Reasoning and Values</b> (Speech and Writing)		3	Required to have background check and fingerprinting.
◆	TCH-ED 130: Number Systems and Related Topics	B	3	
	<b>Focus C: Human Actions, Values, and Ethics</b> *** HISTORY 101: American History to 1877		3	
	<b>Focus B: Scientific Reasoning and Quantitative Analysis</b> ***ENV-SCI 110R: Understanding the Earth and ENV-SCI 110L: Understanding the Earth Laboratory		5	
	TCH-ED 151: Introduction to Urban Education Field Experience	A	2	

◆ Complete 12 term hours minimum toward degree.  
Earn a minimum 3.00 Cumulative GPA.

Spring Semester Year 1: 15 hours

	<b>**Anchor II: Culture and Diversity</b> <a href="http://www.umkc.edu/core/courses/">www.umkc.edu/core/courses/</a>		3	***Preparatory course for the MoGEA exam.
	<b>**DISC 200: Culture and Diversity</b> (Speech and Writing)		3	
◆	<b>Focus Elective</b> ***BIOLOGY 102: Biology And Living	B	3	
	***POL-SCI 210: American Government		3	
	***GEOG 105: Introduction to the Elements of Geography or EDUC 149: Economics In The K-8 Classroom		3	

◆ Completion of Anchor I and DISC 100.  
Completion of 30 term hours minimum toward degree.  
Earn a minimum 3.00 cumulative GPA.

Earn a minimum 3.00 professional GPA.

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

Fall Semester Year 2: 15 hours

<b>**Anchor III: Civic and Community Engagement</b> <a href="http://www.umkc.edu/core/courses/">www.umkc.edu/core/courses/</a>		3	Required to have background check and fingerprinting.  ***Preparatory course for the MoGEA exam.  Apply to the Teacher Education Program.
<b>**DISC 300: Civic and Community Engagement</b> (Speech and Writing)		3	
CONSVTY 285: Elementary Music Methods	B	3	
TCH-ED 402: Integrated Arts	B	3	
TCH-ED 404: Education of the Exceptional Child and Youth	B	3	



Completed MoGEA exam with passing score.  
Earn a minimum 3.00 cumulative GPA.  
Earn a minimum 3.00 professional GPA.

Spring Semester Year 2: 18 hours

TCH-ED 259: Introduction to Urban Teaching	B	3	Complete RooWriter Assessment. <a href="http://www.umkc.edu/roowriter">www.umkc.edu/roowriter</a>
TCH-ED 400: Child Development	B	3	
TCH-ED 385: Teaching and Learning with Technology	B	3	
TCH-ED 403: Educational Psychology	B	3	
EDUC 428: Cultural Diversity And American Education	B	3	
TCH-ED 440: Introduction to Early Childhood Education	B	3	



Completion of Anchor II and DISC 200.  
Completion of 60 term hours minimum toward degree.  
Must have at least a 3.00 cumulative GPA.  
Must have a 3.00 content/professional GPA.

Summer Semester Year 2: 6 hours

TCH-ED 444: Math in ECE & Elementary Schools	B	3	
TCH-ED 445: Science in ECE & Elementary Schools	B	3	
Completion of 66 term hours minimum toward degree.			

Fall Semester Year 3: 17 hours

TCH-ED 483: Early Childhood Reading I: Introduction to Literacy and Reading Education	B	4	Required to have background check and fingerprinting.
TCH-ED 441: Literacy Development I	B	3	
TCH-ED 442: Observation, Assessment & Screening in Early Childhood Classrooms	B	3	
TCH-ED 451: Child Guidance Within The Classroom	B	3	
TCH-ED 480: Practicum I Early Childhood	P	1	
<b>Focus A: Arts and Humanities</b> TCH-ED 201: Children's Literature	B	3	



Earn a minimum 3.00 cumulative GPA.



Earn a minimum 3.00 professional GPA.

**Spring Semester Year 3: 14 hours**

TCH-ED 484: Early Childhood Reading II: Assessing and Teaching Diverse Learners	B	4
TCH-ED 450: Integrating The Curriculum In Early Childhood Education	B	3
TCH-ED 457: Infant And Toddler Care And Education	B	3
TCH-ED 458: Practicum For Learning About Infants And Toddlers	B	1
TCH-ED 459: Early Childhood Program Management and Advocacy	B	2
TCH-ED 481: Practicum II Early Childhood	B	1



Earn a minimum 3.00 cumulative GPA.  
Earn a minimum 3.00 professional GPA.

**Summer Semester Year 3: 6 hours**

TCH-ED 485: Language Arts in ECE Classroom	B	3
TCH-ED 447: Social Studies in ECE & Elem Schools	B	3



Complete 96 term hours toward degree.  
Earn a minimum 3.00 cumulative GPA.  
Earn a minimum 3.00 professional GPA.

**Fall Semester Year 4: 15 hours**

TCH-ED 452: Family and Program Relationships in Early Childhood Education	B	4	Required to have background check and fingerprinting.  Apply for graduation.
TCH-ED 453: Learning from Parents	B	2	
TCH-ED 454: Human Relations In The Early Childhood Classroom	B	3	
TCH-ED 455: Student Teaching In Preschool	B	6	



Earn a minimum 3.00 cumulative GPA.  
Earn a minimum 3.00 professional GPA.

**Spring Semester Year 4: 12 hours**

TCH-ED 456: Student Teaching In Elementary, K Through 3	B	12
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Complete 132 hours toward graduation  
Earn a minimum 3.00 cumulative GPA  
Earn a minimum 3.00 professional GPA

**Graduation Requirements Summary**

<b>Total Degree Credit Hours</b>	<b>Upper Level (3xx/4xx) Hour Requirement</b>	<b>Minimum Hour / Residency Req.</b>	
137	36	30	
<b>Major GPA</b>	<b>UM GPA</b>	<b>Other GPA Requirements</b>	<b>Other</b>
3.00	3.00	3.00 professional/content	

## Policy

**Non-course requirements****Met**

RooWriter  
 Teacher Education Application  
 Missouri General Education Assessment (MoGEA)  
 Substitute Certification (beginning summer semester II)  
 Background Check  
 Pedagogical Assessment  
 Content Assessment  
 Disposition Assessment  
 State Exam for Certification

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.

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

## Academic and Career Advising

**Questions?** Call the School of Education Student Services office at 816-235-2234 or e-mail [education@umkc.edu](mailto:education@umkc.edu). Those with speech or hearing impairments may use Relay Missouri, 1-800-735-2966 (TT) or 1-800-735-2466 (voice). UMKC is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution.

To learn more about career opportunities for Education majors please visit the following links:

UMKC Career Services Resources: <http://www.career.umkc.edu/>

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

## Program Information and Admission Requirements

The School of Education, organized officially as a separate academic division in 1954, was the result of the University of Kansas City's involvement in professional education since 1940. At that early date the University was offering an M.A. in education, heavily liberal-arts laden, with most classes conducted in the summer and evenings. An undergraduate major in elementary education was established in 1952, and the first University of Kansas City doctoral program, the Ph.D. in education, was inaugurated with the organizing of the school in 1954. Since 1954, the school has grown to include three disciplinary divisions with 19 programs, offering bachelor of arts, master of arts, educational specialist, education doctorate and doctor of philosophy degree programs. Several degree and certification programs are offered in cooperation with the the School of Biological Sciences, the Conservatory of Music and the College of Arts and Sciences. The mission of the School of Education is to recruit, prepare and support outstanding teachers, mental health professionals and administrators who will create lifelong opportunities through education for America's diverse urban communities. This mission is centered on six key values which embody the knowledge, skills and dispositions expected of our candidates across the School of Education. The goals defined by individual programs are more specific subsets of these broader goals:

- < Academic excellence.
- < Strategic innovation.
- < Inquiry leading to reflective decision making and problem solving.
- < Skilled and knowledgeable professionals working collaboratively.
- < Democracy, diversity and social justice.
- < Caring and safe environments.

-Admission to UMKC (<http://umkc.edu/admission>)

-Completed the majority of specific pre-education and subject area course work prior to start of the professional education semesters;

-Attained a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.00;

-Attained a subject-area grade point average of at least 3.00 (middle school, secondary, and K-12);

-Submitted acceptable results from an Missouri FBI background check;

-Passed the Missouri General Education Assessment, Content Assessment and Pedagogical Assessment;

-Completed the application for the School of Education first Bachelor's degree seekers:

-Submitted a score from the ACT or SAT; (if graduated from High School in past 5 years)

-Pass RooWriter Exam before taking the required writing intensive course.

Online applications and complete instructions are available at the School of Education web site:

<http://education.umkc.edu/teapp>