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.

### Fall Semester Year 1: 15 hours

**Anchor I: Reasoning and Values**
- Credit Hours (CH): 3
- Notes: Suggest TCH-ED 150: Introduction to Urban Education Field Experience for the elective option. Students will need to complete a background check.

**DISC 100: Reasoning and Values** (Speech and Writing)
- Grade: B
- Credit Hours (CH): 3
- Notes: Suggest HISTORY 206 or 208 for Focus A: Arts and Humanities and HISTORY 101 or 102 for Focus C: Human Actions, Values, and Ethics. These classes can help prepare student for the MoGEA.

Focus A: Arts and Humanities
- Credit Hours (CH): 3

Focus C: Human Actions, Values, and Ethics
- Credit Hours (CH): 3

Elective
- Grade: B
- Credit Hours (CH): 3

#### Notes
- Complete 12 term hours minimum toward graduation
- Earn 3.00 minimum cumulative GPA
- Earn a B or higher in all ENGLISH, TCH-ED, and EDUC courses

### Spring Semester Year 1: 15-17 hours

**Anchor II: Culture and Diversity**
- Credit Hours (CH): 3

**DISC 200: Culture and Diversity** (Speech and Writing)
- Grade: B
- Credit Hours (CH): 3

Focus B: Scientific Reasoning and Quantitative Analysis
- Credit Hours (CH): 3

Focus Elective
- Credit Hours (CH): 3

Elective
- Credit Hours (CH): 3

#### Notes
- MATH 110, 120, or 210 suggested for Focus B: Scientific Reasoning and Quantitative Analysis.
- ALEKS Math Placement Exam or college credit with a grade of C- or higher in prerequisite required prior to enrollment in MATH 110, 120, or 210.
- Suggest a science course for
**Anchor III: Civic and Community Engagement**

- DISC 300: Civic and Community Engagement (Speech and Writing) [Click for options]
- **B** 3

Choose one from:

- ENGLISH 311 American Literature I
- ENGLISH 321 American Literature II
- **B** 3

- EDUC 440 Literature for Adolescence
- **B** 3

**Elective**
- **B** 1

- **Earn a B or higher in all ENGLISH, TCH-ED, and EDUC courses**

**Spring Semester Year 2: 12 hours**

Choose one from:

- ENGLISH 311 American Literature I
- ENGLISH 321 American Literature II
- **B** 3

- ENGLISH Elective
- **B** 3

**Elective**
- **B** 3

- Elective
- **B** 3

- Complete Anchor II and DISC 200
- Complete the Missouri General Education Assessment (MoGEA)
- Complete the RooWriter Assessment
- Complete 60 hours toward degree
- Earn a cumulative GPA of a 3.00 or higher
- Earn a B or higher in all ENGLISH, TCH-ED, and EDUC courses

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

**Fall Semester Year 3: 12 hours**

- ENGLISH Elective
- **B** 3

- ENGLISH Elective
- **B** 3

- TCH-ED 385 Teaching and Learning with Technology
- **B** 3

- TCH-ED 403 Educational Psychology
- **B** 3

- **Apply to the Teacher Education Program**
- **Complete the Content Assessment**

Suggest the following classes for English Elective: ENGLISH 250, 317, 327, 320, 301WI, or EDUC 414.

Complete the RooWriter Writing Assessment.

Earn a B or higher in all ENGLISH, TCH-ED, and EDUC courses

Required to complete a background check along with applying for substitute teaching license.
# UMKC Major Map: Bachelor of Arts in Middle School Education: Language Arts (grades 5-9)

**Catalog Year: 2015 - 2016**

**First-Time College Students**

**Earn a B or higher in all ENGLISH, TCH-ED, and EDUC courses**

## Spring Semester Year 3: 12 hours

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**Complete interview for Teacher Education program. All tests need to be complete prior to admission into the program.**

## Summer Semester Year 3: 13 hours

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**Earn a cumulative GPA of a 3.00 or higher**

**Earn a B or higher in all ENGLISH, TCH-ED, and EDUC courses**

## Fall Semester Year 4: 16 hours

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**Apply for graduation**

**Apply for certification**

**Earn a cumulative GPA of a 3.00 or higher**

**Earn a B or higher in all ENGLISH, TCH-ED, and EDUC courses**

## Spring Semester Year 4: 12 hours

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## Program Description

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 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 Requirements

- Admission to UMKC ([http://umkc.edu/admission](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 for 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.

Instructions are available at the School of Education web site: [http://education.umkc.edu/teapp](http://education.umkc.edu/teapp)

### Career Opportunities

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

UMKC Career Services Resources: [http://www.career.umkc.edu/?q=node/87](http://www.career.umkc.edu/?q=node/87)


### Advising Contact Information

**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.

### Policy and Other Information

- **Non-course requirements Met**
  - RooWriter
  - Teacher Education Application
  - Missouri General Education Assessment (MoGEA)
  - Substitute Certification
  - Background Check
  - Pedagogical Assessment
  - Content Assessment
  - Disposition Assessment

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.