

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.

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.

First Math Course:	MATH 110 College Algebra	Foreign Language Requirement:	None	General Elective Hours:	8
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Critical Course	Course Subject, Number, & Title and Academic Plan Benchmarks Bold = UMKC General Education Core requirement ** Co-Requisite Enrollment Required	Min. Rec. Grade	Credit Hours	Notes
Fall Semester Year 1: 15-16 hours				
◆	LS-MCRB 112 Microbiology & Living	C	3	1 Enrollment restricted. Must take ALEKS Math Placement Exam or show prerequisite requirement has been met prior to enrolling.
	BIOLOGY 102 Biology & Living (Focus B) OR BIOLOGY 108 + 108L General Biology I with Lab (Focus B) OR BIOLOGY 109 + 109L General Biology II with Lab (Focus B)		3-4	
	MATH 110 College Algebra ¹ (Focus Elective)		3	
	**Anchor I Reasoning & Values Click for options		3	
	**DISC 100 Reasoning & Values (Speech & Writing) Click for options		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 1: 14 hours				
◆	**CHEM 211 + 211L General Chemistry I with Lab	C	5	Register for UMKC Roo Career Network . 2 HISTORY 101, 102, or POL-SCI 210 meet both Focus C & Missouri Constitution Requirements.
	Focus C Human Values & Ethical Reasoning Click for options (HISTORY 101, 102, or POL-SCI 210 recommended) ²		3	
	**Anchor II Culture & Diversity Click for options		3	
	**DISC 200 Culture & Diversity (Speech & Writing) Click for options		3	
Complete 14 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Summer Semester Year 1				
	Math 110 (if not already completed)		3	Recommend completing MATH 110 College Algebra over the summer if tested into MATH 100.
Complete Math Requirement Complete Anchor I & DISC 100 Complete at least 30 total credit hours toward degree Maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA				

Fall Semester Year 2: 15 hours				
◆	LS-ANATO 218 Introductory Anatomy	C	3	Take the RooWriter Assessment after completing DISC 200. Must complete prior to enrolling in a Writing Intensive (WI) course.
◆	PSYCH 210 General Psychology	C	3	
	Focus A Arts & Humanities Click for options		3	
	General Elective		3	
	General Elective		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 2				
◆	LS-PHYS 217 Human Physiology	C	3	Formal applications for admission to the dental hygiene professional program must be submitted no later than Feb. 1 of the year that the student desires admission.
◆	COMM-ST 110 Fundamentals of Effective Speaking & Listening OR COMM-ST 140 Principles of Communication OR CPCE 230 Effective Interpersonal Communication	C	3	
◆	SOCIOL 101 Sociology: An Introduction	C	3	
	General Elective		3	
	General Elective		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Summer Semester Year 2				
Complete Anchor II & DISC 200 Complete RooWriter Assessment Complete at least 60 credit hours toward degree Maintain minimum 2.5 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: 18 hours				
	BMS 9701 Clinical Anatomy of the Head & Neck		2	
	DENT-HYG 3000 Dental Morphology & Occlusion		2	
	DENT-HYG 3020 Dental Radiology		2	
	DENT-HYG 3080 Intro to the Preventive Practice of Dental Hygiene		4	
	DENT-HYG 3080L Pre-Clinical Dental Hygiene		2	
	DENT-HYG 3320 Oral Health Behavior Change		3	
	LS-PHYS 3070 Oral Physiology		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 3: 17.5 hours				
	DENT-HYG 3030 Intro to Histopathology of Oral Tissues		2	
	DENT-HYG 3200 Pathology		2	
	DENT-HYG 3210 Applied Nutrition & Biochemistry		2	
	DENT-HYG 3220 Dental Biomaterials		2	
	DENT-HYG 3280C Dental Hygiene Clinic I		3	
	DENT-HYG 3285 Seminar in Dental Hygiene I		2	
	DENT-HYG 3260 Principles of Periodontics		2	

	DENT-HYG 3300 Radiographic Interpretation		0.5	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Summer Semester Year 3: 6 hours				
	DENT-HYG 4020 Local Anesthesia		3	Students may use the summer to ensure completion of 30 hours per academic year or to lighten fall and spring course loads.
	DENT-HYG 4060C Dental Hygiene Clinic II		2	
	DENT-HYG 4065 Seminar in Dental Hygiene II		1	
Complete Anchor III & DISC 300 Complete at least 90 credit hours towards degree Maintain minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA				
Fall Semester Year 4: 17 hours				
	DENT-HYG 4100 Pharmacology		3	Apply for graduation & complete your Final Degree Audit for Major and Minor (if applicable). Take the ETS Proficiency Profile (EPP) exit exam.
	DENT-HYG 4120C Dental Hygiene Clinic III		4	
	DENT-HYG 4050 Periodontics II		2	
	DENT-HYG Intro to Research Design		2	
	**Anchor III Civic & Community Engagement Click for options		3	
	**DISC 300 Civic & Community Engagement (Speech & Writing) Click for options		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 4 11-12 hours				
	DENT-HYG 4210 Practice Management		2	Take Major Field (MF) exit exam.
	DENT-HYG 4240 Ethics & Jurisprudence		1	
	DENT-HYG 4260 Senior Seminar		2	
	DENT-HYG 4260C Dental Hygiene Clinic IV		4	
	DENT-HYG Elective Click for options		2-3	
Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				

Graduation Requirements Summary					
Total Hours	Total Hours at UMKC	Upper Lvl Hrs in Major at UMKC	Upper (300 / 400) Level Hours	Major GPA	UMKC GPA
124.5 minimum	30 minimum	12 minimum	36 minimum	2.5 minimum	2.5 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

RooWriter Assessment _____
Major Field Exam _____
ETS Proficiency Profile _____

Policy

The University reserves the right to make changes in courses and course schedules. 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 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.

Admission to the Clinical Entry Level Program

Admission is on a selective basis and requires more than simply meeting certain course or GPA requirements. Factors considered in the selection process are the candidates' academic credentials, letters of evaluation, a personal interview, motivation and all other information submitted by the candidates. Formal applications for admission to the dental hygiene program must be submitted no later than Feb. 1 of the year that the student desires admission. Classes formally begin each year at the end of August. Minimum requirements and credentials for application are all of the following:

- Graduation from an accredited high school or its equivalent.
- Satisfactory completion of approximately two academic years or 60 semester hours of college. (The 60 semester hours must satisfy the general education requirements, which are specified later in this section. All general education requirements must be completed prior to entrance into the dental hygiene program.
- Application to UMKC.
- Supplemental application for admission to the Division of Dental Hygiene.
- Transcripts of all college coursework.
- A cumulative college GPA of at least 2.5.
- A college science GPA of at least 2.5.
- Three evaluation and reference forms.
- Personal interview with at least two members of the Dental Hygiene Admissions Committee (interviews will be scheduled after February).
- For international applicants, a satisfactory TOEFL score (at least 550 on the paper test or 213 on the computer-based version).

Notification of Admission

Applications for admission are reviewed by the School of Dentistry Dental Hygiene Student Admissions Committee. After a decision is reached on an application, notification of acceptance is made by mail. The applicant has 30 days from the date of the acceptance letter to make a required non-refundable \$100 deposit. This deposit is applied to enrollment fees. Several applicants are placed on an alternates list. In the event that a position becomes available, an applicant from this list is chosen to fill the vacancy. Alternates may be accepted through the first week of the program.

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Career Opportunities

UMKC Career Services – career.umkc.edu | 816-235-1636 | 2nd Floor, Atterbury Student Success Center
O*Net OnLine – OnetOnline.org Learn about careers related to your major, income potential, and more.