


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 Precalculus Algebra or MATH 116 Math for Liberal Arts may have to complete preparatory math coursework, potentially adding 3 hours to the total hours required for the degree.

First Math Course:	MATH 110 Precalculus Algebra OR MATH 116 Math for Liberal Arts	Foreign Language Requirement:	Yes	General Elective Hours:	29
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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 hours				
	Foreign Language Requirement ¹ (110 or higher) Click for options		3	¹ The Foreign Language placement exam is highly recommended to ensure placement in the correct course level.
	ENGLISH 213 Intro to Drama OR ENGLISH 214 Intro to Fiction (Focus A) OR ENGLISH 215 Intro to Poetry (Focus A) OR ENGLISH 216 The Craft of Creative Writing (Focus A)		3	
	**Anchor I Reasoning & Values Click for options		3	
	**DISC 100 Reasoning & Values (Speech & Writing) Click for options	B	3	
	General Elective		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 1: 15 hours				
	MATH 110 Precalculus Algebra ² OR MATH 116 Math for Liberal Arts ² OR STAT 235 Elementary Statistics ²		3	Register for UMKC Roo Career Network . ² Enrollment restricted. Must take ALEKS Math Placement Exam or show prerequisite requirement has been met prior to enrolling.
	Foreign Language Requirement (120 or higher) Click for options		3	
	**Anchor II Culture & Diversity Click for options		3	
	**DISC 200 Culture & Diversity (Speech & Writing) Click for options		3	
	General Elective		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Summer Semester Year 1: 0-3 HOURS				
	MATH 110, 116, or STAT 235 (if not previously completed)		3	

Complete Math Requirement Complete Anchor I & DISC 100 Complete at least Foreign Language Level I (110 or higher) Complete at least 30 total credit hours toward degree Maintain a minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA	Recommend completing MATH 110, 116 or STAT 235 over the summer if tested into MATH 100.
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Fall Semester Year 2: 15 hours

◆	Literature Survey Sequence Course I: ENGLISH 311 American Literature I OR ENGLISH 317 British Literature I OR ENGLISH 331 African American Literature I	B	3	Take the RooWriter Assessment after completing DISC 200. Must complete prior to enrolling in a Writing Intensive (WI) course. ⁴ HISTORY 101, 102, & POL-SCI 210 fulfill both the Focus Elective & Missouri Constitution requirement .
	Foreign Language Requirement ¹ (211 or higher) Click for options		3	
	Focus C Human Values & Ethical Reasoning Click for options (HISTORY 101, 102, or POL-SCI 210 ⁴ recommend)		3	
	Focus Elective Click for options		3	
	CAS Social & Behavioral Sciences Requirement Click for options		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				

Spring Semester Year 2: 15-17 hours

◆	Writing Sequence Course I: ENGLISH 312 Creative Writing Fiction OR ENGLISH 315 Creative Writing Poetry OR ENGLISH 316WI Literary Nonfiction	B	3	
◆	Literature Survey Sequence Course II: ENGLISH 321 American Literature II OR ENGLISH 327 British Literature II OR ENGLISH 333 African American Literature II	B	3	
	CAS Science & Math Requirement Click for options (Must take at least one science course with lab)		3-5	
	CAS Arts & Humanities Requirement Click for options		3	
	General Elective		3	
Complete 15+ credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				

Summer Semester Year 2: 0 hours

Complete Anchor II & DISC 200 Complete Foreign Language Requirement (211 or higher) Complete RooWriter Assessment Complete at least 60 credit hours toward degree Maintain minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA	Students may use the summer to ensure completion of 30 hours per academic year or to lighten fall and spring course loads.
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Fall Semester Year 3: 15 hours

	Writing Sequence Course II If 312 taken above - ENGLISH 432WI Adv Creative Writing Prose OR ENGLISH 437WI Prose Forms If 315 taken above - ENGLISH 435WI Adv Creative Writing Poetry OR ENGLISH 436WI Poetic Forms If 316WI taken above - ENGLISH 475 Creative Nonfiction		3	
	ENGLISH 323 Shakespeare		3	
	Focus A Arts & Humanities Click for options (if not taken above) OR General Elective		3	
	**Anchor III Civic & Community Engagement Click for options		3	
	**DISC 300 Civic & Community Engagement Click for options		3	

Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 3: 15 hours				
	ENGLISH 3XX/4XX Writing Elective ⁵ Click for options		3	⁵ Students in the Creative Writing Emphasis may take ENGLISH 432WI or 437WI a second time for credit, provided the course instructor is different.
	ENGLISH 3XX/4XX Rhetoric Elective Click for options		3	
	CAS Arts & Humanities Requirement Click for options		3	
	CAS Social & Behavioral Sciences Requirement Click for options (Complete MO Constitution requirement if not met above)		3	
	General Elective		3	
Complete 15+ credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Summer Semester Year 3: 0 hours				
Complete Anchor III & DISC 300 Complete at least 90 credit hours towards degree Maintain minimum 2.00 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 4: 15-17 hours				
	ENGLISH 3XX/4XX Writing Elective Click for options		3	Apply for graduation & complete your Final Degree Audit for Major and Minor (if applicable). Take the ETS Proficiency Profile (EPP) exit exam.
	ENGLISH 3XX/4XX Literature Elective Click for options		3	
	ENGLISH 3XX Language Elective Click for options		3	
	CAS Science & Math Requirement Click for options (Complete science course with lab if not taken above)		3-5	
	General Elective		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 4: 12-15 hours				
	Capstone Course ⁶ ENGLISH 499 Senior Tutorial ⁷ OR 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		3	⁶ Students must complete a Capstone Contract in order to receive credit for the capstone course.
	General Elective		3	⁷ Approval is required by a tenure-line faculty member and the Director of Undergraduate Studies for enrollment in ENGLISH 499.
	General Elective		3	
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	General Elective (if needed to reach 120 hours)		0-3	
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
120 minimum	30 minimum	18 minimum	36 minimum	2.00 minimum	2.00 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.

Advising Contact Information

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09 Scofield Hall (basement)
<http://cas.umkc.edu/advising/default.asp>
816-235-1148

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.