

**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](http://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 hours to the total hours required for the degree.

<b>First Math Course:</b>	MATH 110 Precalculus Algebra OR MATH 116 Math for Liberal Arts	<b>Foreign Language Requirement:</b>	Yes	<b>General Elective Hours:</b>	26-29
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Critical Course	Course Subject, Number, & Title and Academic Plan Benchmarks <b>Bold = UMKC General Education Core requirement</b> ** Co-Requisite Enrollment Required	Min. Recom. Grade	Credit Hours	Notes
<b>Fall Semester Year 1: 15 hours</b>				
	Foreign Language Requirement <sup>1</sup> (110 or higher) <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	<sup>1</sup> <a href="#">The Foreign Language placement exam</a> is highly recommended to ensure placement in the correct course level.  <sup>2</sup> ENGLISH 119, 120, 123, 126, 130, 141, 207, 214, & 215 all satisfy Focus A and have no prerequisites.
	<b>Focus A Arts &amp; Humanities</b> <sup>2</sup> <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	** <b>Anchor I Reasoning &amp; Values</b> <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
◆	** <b>DISC 100 Reasoning &amp; Values</b> (Speech & Writing) <a href="#">Click for options</a>	B	3	
	General Elective		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
<b>Spring Semester Year 1: 15 hours</b>				
◆	MATH 110 Precalculus Algebra <sup>3</sup> ( <b>Focus B</b> ) OR MATH 116 Math for Liberal Arts <sup>3</sup> ( <b>Focus B</b> ) OR STAT 235 Elementary Statistics <sup>3</sup> ( <b>Focus B</b> )	B	3	Register for <a href="#">UMKC Handshake career network</a> .  <sup>3</sup> Enrollment restricted. Must take <a href="#">ALEKS Math Placement Exam</a> or show prerequisite requirement has been met prior to enrolling.
	Foreign Language Requirement <sup>1</sup> (120 or higher) <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	** <b>Anchor II Culture &amp; Diversity</b> <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	** <b>DISC 200 Culture &amp; Diversity</b> (Speech & Writing) <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
◆	ENGLISH 337 Introduction to American Literary and Cultural Studies	B	3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
<b>Summer Semester Year 1: 0-3 hours</b>				
	MATH 110, 116, or STAT 235 (if not previously completed)	B	3	Complete RooWriter if planning to take ENGLISH 340AWI in Fall Year 2.
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				

Fall Semester Year 2: 15 hours				
◆	Literature Survey Course: ENGLISH 311 American Literature I OR ENGLISH 321 American Literature II OR ENGLISH 331 African American Literature I	B	3	Take the <a href="#">RooWriter Assessment</a> 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 <b>Focus Elective</b> & <a href="#">Missouri Constitution requirement</a> .
	Foreign Language Requirement! (211 or higher) <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	<b>Focus C Human Values &amp; Ethical Reasoning</b> <a href="#">Click for options</a> (HISTORY 101, 102, or POL-SCI 210 <sup>4</sup> recommend)		3	
	General Elective		3	
	General Elective		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 2: 15-17 hours				
◆	Literature Survey Course: ENGLISH 311 American Literature I OR ENGLISH 321 American Literature II OR ENGLISH 331 African American Literature I	B	3	
	<b>Focus A, B, or C elective</b> <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	CAS Science & Math Requirement <a href="#">Click for options</a> (Must take at least one science course with lab)		3-5	
	CAS Arts & Humanities Requirement <a href="#">Click for options</a>		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.
Fall Semester Year 3: 15 hours				
	ENGLISH 2XX/3XX/4XX Cultural Issues in American Literature Course <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	Literature Survey Course: ENGLISH 311 American Literature I OR ENGLISH 321 American Literature II OR ENGLISH 331 African American Literature I		3	
	CAS Social & Behavioral Sciences Requirement <a href="#">Click for options</a> (Complete <a href="#">MO Constitution requirement</a> if not met above)		3	
	**Anchor III Civic & Community Engagement <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	**DISC 300 Civic & Community Engagement <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
Spring Semester Year 3: 15-17 hours				
	ENGLISH 3XX/4XX Language/ Rhetoric/Theory Course <a href="#">Click for options.</a>		3	
	ENGLISH 2XX/3XX/4XX Cultural Issues in American Literature Course <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	Interdisciplinary Elective <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	CAS Social & Behavioral Sciences Requirement <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	

	CAS Science & Math Requirement <a href="#">Click for options</a> (Complete science course with lab if not taken above)		3-5	
Complete 15+ credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
<b>Summer Semester Year 3: 0 hours</b>				
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.
<b>Fall Semester Year 4: 15 hours</b>				
	ENGLISH 2XX/3XX/4XX Cultural Issues in American Literature Course <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	<a href="#">Apply for graduation</a> & complete your Final Degree Audit for Major and Minor (if applicable).  Take the <a href="#">HEIghten</a> exit exam.
	Interdisciplinary Elective <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	CAS Arts & Humanities Requirement <a href="#">Click for options</a>		3	
	General Elective		3	
	General Elective		3	
Complete 15 credit hours toward degree Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				
<b>Spring Semester Year 4: 12-15 hours</b>				
	ENGLISH 499 Senior Tutorial capstone course		3	
	ENGLISH 3XX/4XXWI Language/ Rhetoric/Theory Writing Intensive Course <a href="#">Click for options.</a>		3	
	General Elective		3	
	General Elective		3	
	General Elective (if needed to reach 120 hours)		0-3	
Earn minimum 2.00 term GPA				

<b>Graduation Requirements Summary</b>					
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 min within UMKC Major	12 minimum	36 minimum	2.00 minimum	2.00 minimum

**Other Information**

At least 18 hours towards the major must be completed within the UMKC English Department. 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**

Missouri Higher Education Civics Achievement Examination \_\_\_\_\_  
 RooWriter Assessment \_\_\_\_\_  
 HEIghten exit exam \_\_\_\_\_

## 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

College of Arts & Sciences Student Services  
09 Scofield Hall (basement)  
<http://cas.umkc.edu/advising/default.asp>  
816-235-1148

## Career Opportunities

UMKC Career Services – [career.umkc.edu](http://career.umkc.edu) | 816-235-1636 | 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Atterbury Student Success Center.  
O\*Net OnLine – [OnetOnline.org](http://OnetOnline.org) Learn about careers related to your major, income potential, and more.