



Degree Requirements for Transfer students:

Catalog Year

Requirements and regulations for every academic program are provided in the [UMKC Catalog](#). Transfer students from community colleges and other universities are permitted to complete degree requirements in effect at the time of their enrollment as freshmen at a community college or university, so long as their enrollment was continuous from year to year (summer semesters excluded), programs have not been discontinued, and the program is not one of the following selective programs: Conservatory, Professional Teacher Education, Nursing Pre-Licensure. Students admitted into a selective program are required to complete catalog requirements for the term in which the student is fully admitted to the selective program.

All transfer students may elect to complete degree requirements in place at the time they begin at UMKC as a degree-seeking student. Your advisor will work with you in your first semester to help you determine an appropriate catalog year for your requirements. For further details on UMKC's Catalog Year Policy, please visit <https://catalog.umkc.edu/undergraduate-academic-regulations-information/catalog-year-policy/>.

Missouri Higher Education Civics Achievement Examination

To comply with a requirement passed into Missouri law in 2018, all students entering UMKC for the first time in Fall 2019 or after who have not previously completed a bachelor's degree will be required to pass the Missouri Higher Education Civics Achievement Examination with a score of 70% or higher as a condition of graduation. Successful completion of this examination at any Missouri institution will fulfill this state requirement for degree completion when noted on the student's transcript.

General Education Requirements for Transfer students:

All UMKC undergraduate students complete general education requirements. New incoming transfer students who have not completed an Associate of Arts degree (or an Associate of Science from JCCC) will have the option to elect either the UMKC Essentials or the Missouri Transfer (MOTR) Core 42 curriculum to meet general education requirements. To learn more about UMKC Essentials, visit <https://www.umkc.edu/provost/umkc-essentials/index.html>. For more details on MOTR Core 42, please visit - <https://dhe.mo.gov/core42.php>. **For most programs, MOTR Core 42 is recommended for transfer students. Students should refer to program-specific information when choosing general education courses.**

Missouri Transfer (MOTR) Core 42

Per a requirement passed into Missouri law in 2016, a state-wide general education curriculum specific to transfer students was created to facilitate transfer among Missouri's public colleges and universities. This new state-wide Core 42 curriculum requires 42 hours of coursework spread amongst five knowledge areas:

- Written and Oral Communications – nine (9) credit hours (six in written communications and three in oral communications)
- Mathematics Pathway– three (3) credit hours
- Natural & Physical Sciences – seven (7) credit hours from at least two disciplines, including a course with a lab
- Humanities & Fine Arts – nine (9) credit hours from at least two disciplines
- Social & Behavioral Sciences – nine (9) credit hours from at least two disciplines, including a civics course
- Additional hours – five (5) additional credit hours distributed amongst the above five knowledge areas

Transfer Students with a Completed Core 42, an Associate of Arts* degree or a bachelor's degree

- Students who complete the CORE 42 curriculum at a participating Missouri institution, an Associate of Arts degree from any regionally accredited institution (*or an Associate of Science degree from JCCC), or a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution before transferring will have met all UMKC general education requirements.

Transfer Students with General Education Coursework in Progress

- Students transferring to UMKC without the completed Core 42 or Associate of Arts degree (or an Associate of Science degree from JCCC) may have the option to complete either the UMKC Essentials or Core 42.
- Your advisor will review your transfer credits with you prior to the end of your first semester at UMKC to help you determine which general education curriculum best suits your degree plan and education needs.
- Transferring to UMKC from JCCC? Did you complete at least 15 credit hours at JCCC before transferring? You may be eligible to earn your associate's degree while working towards your bachelor's degree at UMKC. JCCC students are eligible to participate in the Missouri Reverse Transfer program at UMKC. Learn more by visiting <https://www.umkc.edu/transfer/transfer-credit/reverse-transfer.html>

Core 42 Exempt Programs - UMKC Essentials Curriculum Recommended

- Students who complete CORE 42 will meet the general education requirements for most liberal arts and sciences degrees at UMKC. However, general education requirements for some degrees differ due to professional licensing and other requirements. For these programs it is not to the student's advantage to complete the Core 42 curriculum as it likely adds hours to the student's individual plan of study to complete their UMKC degree. To avoid adding time and cost to the student's UMKC experience, transfer students are encouraged to complete the UMKC Essentials for the following programs:
 - o Dance, Bachelor of Fine Arts
 - o Early Childhood Education, Bachelor of Arts
 - o Elementary Education, Bachelor of Arts
 - o Jazz Studies, Bachelor of Music
 - o Music Education, Bachelor of Music Education
 - o Nursing, Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Pre-Licensure program)
 - o Performance, Bachelor of Music (all instruments)

UMKC Essentials

The UMKC Essentials curriculum is comprised of Foundational courses in Written & Oral Communication, Math Pathways, and Civics, along with Essential Questions courses that will offer opportunities for conversations about perspectives and thought processes that will ultimately help you in your career.

- Credit related to Foundational course requirements (Written Communication, Oral Communication, Mathematics Pathway) and the Constitution course will be based on a course-to-course equivalency evaluation for UMKC Essentials and/or Core 42 MOTR course designation.
- Six (6) hours or more of credit for approved Core 42 courses (listed in tables below) within designated disciplines related to an Essential Questions (EQ) in Natural & Physical Sciences, the Social & Behavioral Sciences, or the Arts & Humanities will indicate that the student has met the Learning Outcomes of the EQ area and the requirement will be considered satisfied.
- Nine (9) hours of UMKC Essentials coursework (First Semester Experience, Culture & Diversity, Civic & Urban Engagement) must be taken at UMKC.

Recommended Transfer Courses for General Education

WRITTEN & ORAL COMMUNICATION - 6 hours in Written Communication and 3 hours in Oral Communication will fulfill either UMKC Essentials or Core 42 requirements			
UMKC Courses	Hrs	JCCC Courses	Hrs
COMM-ST 277 Interpersonal Communication OR	3	COMS 120 Interpersonal Communication OR	3
COMM-ST 110 Fund. Speaking & Listening	3	COMS 121 Public Speaking	3
ENGLISH 110 Introduction to Academic Prose	3	ENGL 121 Composition I*	3
ENGLISH 225 English II: Intermediate Academic Prose	3	ENGL 122 Composition II* (recommended)	3
MOTR ENGL 110 Technical Writing	3	ENGL 123 Technical Writing I*	3

MATHEMATICS PATHWAYS - 3 hours will fulfill either UMKC Essentials or Core 42 requirements			
UMKC Courses	Hrs	JCCC Courses	Hrs
MATH 116 Math for Liberal Arts	3	MATH 165 Finite Mathematics*	3
MATH 110 Precalculus Algebra (Formerly College Algebra)	3	MATH 171 College Algebra*	3
MATH 120 Precalculus	5	MATH 173 Precalculus*	5

Students completing any mathematics or statistics course which requires one or more of the above courses as a prerequisite (e.g. Calculus I) will receive credit for that mathematics course towards general education requirements.

NATURAL & PHYSICAL SCIENCES			
Core 42: 7 hours of coursework from at least two disciplines, including a course with a lab			
UMKC Essentials: 6 hours of coursework			
UMKC Courses	Hrs	JCCC Courses	Hrs
ASTR 150 Astronomy: Motions of the Cosmos	3	ASTR 120 Fundamentals of Astronomy	3
ASTR 150+153L Intro Astronomy Lab	5	ASTR 122 Astronomy with Lab	4
BIOLOGY 102+102L Biology & Living + Lab	4	BIOL 121 Introductory Biology for Non-Majors	4
MOTRBIOL 100LB Essentials in Biology: Botany	5	BIOL 125 General Botany	5
MOTRBIOL 100LZ Essentials in Biology: Zoology	5	BIOL 127 General Zoology	5
BIOLOGY 108+108L General Biology I	4	BIOL 135 Prin. of Cell and Molecular Biology	4
HLSC/NURSE 120 Anatomy & Physiology I	5	BIOL 144 Human Anatomy and Physiology*	5
LS-PHYS 217 Human Physiology	3	BIOL 225 Human Physiology*	4
CHEM 160+160L Chemistry, Society, & Env + Lab	4	CHEM 120 Chemistry in Society*	4
CHEM 115/115L Elements of Chemistry with Lab	5	CHEM 122 Principles of Chemistry*	5
CHEM 211+211L General Chemistry I + Lab	5	CHEM 124+125 General Chemistry I* + Lab*	4/1
ENV-SCI 110R+1110L Understanding Earth + Lab	5	GEOS 140+141 Physical Geography + Lab*	3/2
GEOLOGY 220+220L General Geology + Lab	5	GEOS 130 General Geology with Lab	5
PHYSICS 210 General Physics I	4	PHYS 130 College Physics I*	5
PHYSICS 240 Physics for Scientists & Engineers I	5	PHYS 220 Engineering Physics I*	5
PHY-SCI 110+110L Foundations of Physical Sci.	4	PSCI 120 Physical Science	4

SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES			
Core 42: 9 hours of coursework from at least two disciplines including at least one Civics course			
UMKC Essentials: 9 hours of coursework including at least one Civics course			
<i>Civics courses are denoted with ^ below</i>			
UMKC Courses	Hrs	JCCC Courses	Hrs
ANTHRO 103 Intro to Cultural Anthropology	3	ANTH 125 Cultural Anthropology	3
CJC 101 Intro to Criminal Justice	3	CJ 121 Introduction to Criminal Justice System	3
ECON 100 Economics Explained	3	ECON 132 Survey of Economics	3
ECON 201 Intro to Economics I	3	ECON 230 Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ECON 202 Intro to Economics II	3	ECON 231 Principles of Microeconomics	3
HISTORY 101 American History to 1877^	3	HIST 140 US History to 1877^	3
HISTORY 102 American History since 1877^	3	HIST 141 US History Since 1877^	3
HISTORY 206 World History To 1450	3	HIST 151 World History: Traditional	3
HISTORY 208 World History since 1450	3	HIST 152 World History: Modern World	3
COMM-ST 220 Intro: Modern Comm Media	3	JOUR 120 Mass Media and Society	3
POL-SCI 210 American Government^	3	POLS 124 American National Government^	3
POL-SCI 220 Comparative Politics	3	POLS 132 Intro to Comparative Government	3
POL-SCI 230 International Relations	3	POLS 135 International Relations	3
PSYCH 210 General Psychology	3	PSYC 130 Introduction to Psychology	3
HLSC 252 Human Growth & Development	3	PSYC 218 Human Development*	3
SOCIOL 101 Sociology: An Introduction	3	SOC 122 Introduction to Sociology	3
REGS 204 Introduction to Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies	3	WGS 201 Global Women's Studies	3

HUMANITIES & FINE ARTS			
Core 42: 9 hours of coursework from at least two different disciplines			
UMKC Essentials: 6 hours of coursework			
UMKC Courses	Hrs	JCCC Courses	Hrs
ART 112 Foundation Drawing	3	ART 130 Drawing I	3
ART 114 Intro to Digital Design	3	ART 138 Digital Imaging for Artists I	3
ART-HIST 201 From Cave Painting to Cathedrals	3	ARTH 180 Art History: Ancient to Medieval	3
ART HIST 202 From Michelangelo to Modernism	3	ARTH 182 Art History: Renaissance to Modern	3
ENGLISH 242 Women Writing/Women Reading	3	ENGL 217 Literature by Women*	3
ENGLISH 216 The Craft of Creative Writing	3	ENGL 223 Introduction to Creative Writing*	3
ENGLISH 215 Intro to Poetry	3	ENGL 227 Introduction to Poetry*	3
ENGLISH 214 Intro to Fiction	3	ENGL 230 Introduction to Fiction*	3
ENGLISH 213 Intro to Drama	3	ENGL 235 Drama as Literature*	3
ENGLISH 317 British Literature I	3	ENGL 236 British Literature to 1800*	3
ENGLISH 327 British Literature II	3	ENGL 237 British Literature after 1800*	3
ENGLISH 311 American Literature I	3	ENGL 246 American Literature I*	3
ENGLISH 321 American Literature II	3	ENGL 247 American Literature II*	3
GERMAN 110 Elementary German I	3	FL 120 Elementary German I	5
GERMAN 120 Elementary German II	3	FL 121 Elementary German II*	5
SPANISH 110 Elementary Spanish I	3	FL 130 Elementary Spanish I	5
SPANISH 120 Elementary Spanish II	3	FL 131 Elementary Spanish II*	5
FRENCH 110 Elementary French I	3	FL 140 Elementary French I	5
FRENCH 120 Elementary French II	3	FL 141 Elementary French II*	5
FILM 230 Introduction to Film Studies	3	FMS 100 Intro to Film	3
HISTORY 201 European History to 1600	3	HIST 125 Western Civilization: Ancient World to the Renaissance	3
HISTORY 202 European History since 1600	3	HIST 126 Western Civilization: Scientific Revolution to the Modern Age	3
CLASSICS 119 Myth and Literature	3	HUM 155 Classical Mythology OR HUM 156 Contemporary Approaches to World Mythology	3
CONSVTY 120 Music Appreciation	3	MUS 121 Introduction to Music Listening	3
CONSVTY 126 Introduction to World Music	3	MUS 126 Introduction to World Music	3
CONSVTY 125 History & Dev of Rock & Roll	3	MUS 128 History of Rock and Roll Music	3
PHILOS 210 Introduction to Philosophy	3	PHIL 121 Introduction to Philosophy	3
PHILOS 222 Foundations of Logic	3	PHIL 124 Logic & Critical Thinking	3
PHILOS 221 Contemporary Moral Issues	3	PHIL 143 Ethics	3
THEATRE 130 Intro to Fine Arts Theatre	3	THEA 120 Introduction to Theater	3

ADDITIONAL HOURS for Core 42
5 additional hours from any of the above identified courses to reach 42 hours of Core 42 coursework

ADDITIONAL HOURS for UMKC Essentials
9 hours of coursework at UMKC: First Semester Experience, Culture & Diversity, Civic & Community Engagement Electives to reach 42 credit hours of total coursework

*JCCC course has a prerequisite or corequisite.

It is the STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY to check for updates to all transfer information. This transfer guide is provided as a service and is updated as needed. Degree requirements at the four-year colleges are subject to change by those institutions. To ensure you have the most accurate up to date information about the program, it is imperative you meet with an advisor at the transfer institution.