The Associate of Arts degree (A.A.) or the Associate of Fine Arts degree (A.F.A.) at JCCC are general transfer degrees and partner well with the first two years of most bachelor degree programs. Students pursuing the A.A. or the A.F.A. may select courses that satisfy both the A.A. or A.F.A. degree requirements and lower division requirements for a bachelor’s degree at four-year institutions. The 30 hours of electives within the A.A. or the A.F.A. allow students to complete additional general education and lower division courses required for specific majors, though additional placement exams are required for some degrees. The A.A. or the A.F.A. degree requires completion of 60 credit hours; please see JCCC A.A. degree requirements or JCCC A.F.A. degree requirements. Meeting with a JCCC counselor is strongly recommended for the selection of appropriate courses. Meeting with Conservatory faculty early is recommended as well.

UMKC Conservatory Degree Programs:

- Bachelor of Fine Arts
  - Dance
- Bachelor of Arts
  - Music
  - Music Therapy (emphasis)
  - Theater
- Bachelor of Music Education
  - Choral
  - Instrumental
- Bachelor of Music
  - Music Composition
  - Jazz Studies
  - Music Theory
  - Performance
    - Piano
    - Voice
    - Wind, Strings, Percussion (bassoon, clarinet, euphonium, flute, horn, oboe, saxophone, trombone, trumpet, tuba, cello, string bass, viola, violin)

^All Transfer Students wanting to major in music must take a music theory transfer exam to determine placement in the curriculum. (Regardless of program desired)

^^Transfer Students are strongly encouraged to visit with the Conservatory Undergraduate Advisor (contact information above) prior to applying to UMKC.^^
General UMKC Transfer Admission Requirements:
- 2.0 or higher cumulative GPA, individual programs/departments may require a higher GPA.
- Credit/No-credit or Pass/Fail coursework may only be applied to elective coursework and will not apply towards UMKC’s General Education Core or major requirements. (*UMKC did allow Credit/No-credit or Pass/Fail for Spring 2020 coursework. Please see specific program for transfer guidelines.*)
- Equivalent courses may be repeated but all grades will be averaged for GPA calculation purposes and students will only receive credit for one attempt.
- Full transfer admission requirements can be found at: https://www.umkc.edu/transfer/apply.html

Conservatory Transfer Admission Requirements:
Music and Dance programs:
- The priority application deadline for most programs is **December 15th** to be considered for the following fall semester. The application deadline for **Music Composition is December 1st.**
- Submit a Music/Dance resume or CV listing all relevant music or dance experience such as ensembles, schools, teachers, performances and awards.
- Submit two references. List the names and contact information of your references, and the application system will send an email to them requesting that they submit a letter of recommendation on your behalf.
- All undergraduate Music and Dance applications require an audition. You may select one of the three scheduled audition dates. Check the Conservatory website for audition repertoire and requirements.
- Other materials as they apply to your desired program, such as:
  - **Bachelor of Music in Composition** applicants submit a composition portfolio. Scores and videos can be uploaded directly to the application. Those who pass the composition evaluation will be invited to perform an audition.
  - **Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance** applicants submit a dance photo by uploading it to the application.
  - **Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance** applicants submit a list of previously studied repertoire.
  - Full Conservatory Special Program admission requirements can be found at: https://conservatory.umkc.edu/admissions/special-program-requirements.html

Theatre program:
- Applicants for the bachelor’s degree in Theatre do not need to submit a resume and references or select an audition date. Entry to this program does not require an audition.

General Education Requirements for Transfer Students:
All UMKC undergraduate students complete general education requirements. Completing an Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree or the Associate of Science (A.S.) at JCCC will satisfy all general education requirements at UMKC, including the Constitution requirement. JCCC students transferring to UMKC without completing the A.A. or A.S. will have the option to elect to complete either the UMKC Essentials or the Missouri Transfer (MOTR) Core 42 curriculum to meet general education requirements. **Due to time to degree completion, it is advantageous for students in some programs, including Music and Dance programs, to complete UMKC Essentials.** Credit by Exam, Transfer credit, or Dual High School academic credit will apply to the UMKC Essentials program in a way that optimizes the student’s prior educational experience.

^To learn more about these two options and UMKC general education requirements, including how transfer coursework applies to specific general education requirements, please refer to https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/academic-counseling/transfer/files/transfer-guides/umdkgeneral-education.pdf
### RECOMMENDED COURSES

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* JCCC course has a prerequisite or corequisite.

It is the STUDENT’S RESPONSIBILITY to check for updates to all transfer information. This transfer program guide is provided as a service and is updated annually. Degree requirements at four-year institutions 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.

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