DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Student Learning Outcomes

The course requirements for the program are not predetermined, but rather formulated by the student in consultation with the UMKC doctoral faculty who will serve on their supervisory committee, to meet the student’s individual needs and research interests, satisfy discipline-specific requirements and assure upon graduation students are able to:

- Demonstrate appropriate depth and breadth of knowledge in their disciplines.
- Use skills of interdisciplinary scholarship and research to integrate multiple perspectives.
- Work effectively in a collaborative environment.
- Effectively communicate results of their research to diverse audiences.
- Understand and value diverse approaches to problems.
- Use self-reflection for personal and professional improvement.

Program Requirements

The Bloch School participates in the Interdisciplinary Ph.D. program through the Department of Public Affairs and through the Department of Global Entrepreneurship and Innovation. The Department of Global Entrepreneurship and Innovation also offers a stand-alone Ph.D. program. Information about discipline-specific admission and program requirements may be found in the School of Graduate Studies section of this catalog. Those interested in doctoral study in entrepreneurship and innovation should visit the Department of Global Entrepreneurship and Innovation (https://bloch.umkc.edu/about-us/academic-departments/global-entrepreneurship-and-innovation/) website.

All Interdisciplinary Ph.D. applicants and students must first meet the general requirements of the School of Graduate Studies for admission and retention in the Interdisciplinary Ph.D. program. In addition to these general academic regulations that have been outlined in previous sections of the general catalog, disciplines may set more stringent discipline-specific requirements that take priority over the general requirements. Discipline-specific requirements for disciplines eligible to participate in the Interdisciplinary Ph.D. program are listed in alphabetical order by name of discipline. These guidelines are subject to ongoing review and revision, and the doctoral faculty reserves the right to make judicious changes in discipline-specific requirements. The student is referred to coordinators in the disciplines for the most current information.