BACHELOR OF ARTS: ENGLISH

University Requirements

General Education

UMKC Essentials is the university-wide curriculum that all undergraduate students will complete. The 30-credit hour program includes a First Year Experience course; three critical thinking courses in the areas of Arts & Humanities, Natural & Physical Sciences, and Social & Behavioral Sciences; a course in Culture and Diverse Perspectives; a course in Civic & Urban Engagement; two courses in Written Composition and one course in Oral Communication; and a Math Pathway course. Transfer students entering UMKC will elect from the UMKC Essentials General Education Program or the Missouri Core 42 General Education Curriculum. Academic advisors will meet with incoming transfer students to determine which option best serves the student's educational needs. More information about General Education may be found on the General Education Requirements (https://catalog.umkc.edu/undergraduate-academic-regulations-information/general-education-requirements/) page.

Constitution Course

Every undergraduate student must take a course covering the United States Constitution and the Missouri State Constitution before graduation. Course options are included in the program requirements section below.

Exit Examinations

Information on exit examinations is available in the Undergraduate Academic Regulations and Information (https://catalog.umkc.edu/undergraduate-academic-regulations-information/graduation/exitexams/) section of the catalog.

Missouri Higher Education Civics Achievement Examination

In accordance with Missouri Senate Bill 807 (section 170.013.1), 'any student entering a public institution of higher education for the first time after July 2019 who is pursuing an associate's or bachelor's degree from such institution shall successfully pass an examination on the provisions and principles of American civics with a score of seventy percent or greater as a condition of graduation from such institution'. To satisfy this requirement at UMKC, students access the exam through the Canvas site. This requirement will be listed in the degree audit system as, 'Take State Mandated Missouri Higher Education Civics Achievement Examination', and listed on the transcript as 'Missouri Civics Examination'.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students graduating from this program will:

- Create coherent academic arguments that are built upon multi-leveled textual analysis.
- Integrate close reading of primary texts.
- Situate texts in cultural and/or historical contexts.
- Engage in critical conversations.
- Present an essay in ways that reflect a sense of professional rules and conventions.

The Bachelor of Arts in English program is recommended for students interested in literature and language, in writing and reading, in texts of all types and how they influence and reflect our world. The English major is also an excellent choice for those interested in obtaining a firm foundation for graduate study in programs as wide-ranging as business or law school, communications, cultural studies, and, of course, English and Creative Writing. English majors planning to attend graduate school are strongly urged to take courses in all periods of English and American literature.

To graduate with a major in English, students must achieve a grade-point average of at least 2.0 in the 36-hour program described below, but no credit will be given for courses in which the grade is below C-. No course may fulfill more than one requirement. At least 18 hours must be taken in the English Department at UMKC. Students complete a capstone project in their final year.

No more than one course in Creative Writing may be counted toward the 36-hour requirement for the Literature major. No courses in expository writing or journalism may be used to fulfill the 300- or 400-level elective requirements.

All students with a major in English must fulfill these requirements. Emphasis areas can be added to the major and they will not be on the diploma, but will be noted in the transcript.

Program Requirements

UMKC Essentials

Code	Title	Credits
First Semester Experience Course (GEFSE)		3
Written Communication:		
ENGLISH 110	Introduction to Academic Prose	3
ENGLISH 225	English II: Intermediate Academic Prose	3

Oral Communication (choose one of the following):		3
COMM-ST 110	Fundamentals of Effective Speaking and Listening	
COMM-ST 140	Introduction to Communication	
COMM-ST 212	Argumentation And Debate (offered via dual credit only)	
COMM-ST 277	Interpersonal Communication	
Math Pathway (choose one of the following):		3
MATH 116	Mathematics For Liberal Arts	
STAT 115	Statistical Reasoning	
MATH 110	Precalculus Algebra	
MATH 120	Precalculus (5 credit hours)	
Any 200-level MATH or STAT course		
ACT Math Subscore of 28 or higher; or SAT Math Subscore of 660 or higher		
Critical Thinking in Arts & Humanities (GECRT-AH)		3
Critical Thinking in Natural & Physical Sciences (GECRT-SC)		3
Critical Thinking in Social & Behavioral Sciences (GECRT-SS)		3
Culture & Diverse Perspectives (GECDV)		3
Civic & Urban Engagement (GECUE)		3
Total Credits		**30**

Constitution Course Requirement

Section 170.011.1 of the Missouri Revised Statutes, 2015, states that all candidates for a degree issued by a college or university in the state of Missouri must have "satisfactorily passed an examination on the provisions and principles of the Constitution of the United States and of the state of Missouri, and in American history and American institutions."

Courses at UMKC that satisfy this state requirement are:

Code	Title	Credits
Choose one of the following:		3
CJC 364	The Supreme Court And The Criminal Process	
HISTORY 101	U.S. History to 1877	
HISTORY 102	U.S. History Since 1877	
HONORS 230	Honors American Government	
POL-SCI 210	American Government	
Total Credits		**3**

There are a few other ways this requirement can be satisfied for students transferring to UMKC:

- Take an equivalent course from the list above at a regionally accredited institution.
- Earn credit for one of the above courses through AP, IB, or CLEP.
- Take a course that directly satisfies the Missouri Constitution Requirement at another Missouri institution.
- Have a previous bachelor's degree (or higher) from a regionally accredited institution.
- Have an Associate of Arts degree from a regionally accredited institution.
- Complete the 42 Hour Core at a Missouri institution and have it listed on the official transcript.

School of Humanities and Social Sciences Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Writing Intensive Course (300-level or above; satisfied in major requirements below):		0
Total Credits		**0**

Major Requirements

Students must successfully complete the major requirements below with at least 18 of the 36 required hours taken in the department at UMKC with 12 of those hours at the 300-level or above.

One of the courses taken below must be writing intensive.

Code	Title	Credits
I. Introductory Course		**3**
Choose one of the following courses:		
ENGLISH 120	Literary Monstrosities	
ENGLISH 126	Popular Literature	
ENGLISH 207	World Literature in English	
ENGLISH 214	Introduction To Fiction	
ENGLISH 215	Introduction To Poetry	
ENGLISH 216	The Craft of Creative Writing	
ENGLISH 242	Women Writing/Women Reading	
ENGLISH 270	Writing Tutor Training Seminar [2]	
ENGLISH 273	Science Fiction	
ENGLISH 278	Asian American Literature	
CLASSICS 119	Myth and Literature	
CLASSICS 210	Foundations Of Ancient World Literature I	
COMM-ST 203	Introduction to Journalism	
II. Literary Surveys		**12**
Choose four of the following courses:		
ENGLISH 311	American Literature I [2]	
ENGLISH 317	British Literature I [2]	
ENGLISH 321	American Literature II [2]	
ENGLISH 323	Shakespeare [2]	
ENGLISH 327	British Literature II [2]	
ENGLISH 331	African American Literature I [2]	
ENGLISH 333	African American Literature II [2]	
CLASSICS 340AWI	Classical Literature In Translation [2]	
III. Rhetoric and Writing		**6**
Choose two of the following courses:		
ENGLISH 270	Writing Tutor Training Seminar	
ENGLISH 301WI	Writing And The Academy	
ENGLISH 304WI	Professional and Technical Writing	
ENGLISH 305WI	Theory And Practice Of Composition	
ENGLISH 307WI	Language, Literacy, Power	
ENGLISH 308	Rhetorics of New Media	
ENGLISH 309WI	Rhetorics of Public Memory	
ENGLISH 310	Introduction To Linguistics/Language Science	
ENGLISH 320	Structure Of English	
ENGLISH 330	History Of The English Language	
ENGLISH 342WI	Women And Rhetoric	
ENGLISH 380	Multimodal Writing and Rhetoric	
ENGLISH 381	Composing Digital Environments	
ENGLISH 430WI	Technical Communication	
ENGLISH 441	Girls, Literacies, and Print Culture [2]	
ENGLISH 477DH	Studies in Digital Humanities [1]	
ENGLISH 477RC	Studies in Rhetoric and Composition [1]	
IV. Electives		**15**
Choose five of the following courses, with at least three courses at the 400-level:		
ENGLISH 311	American Literature I [2]	
ENGLISH 312	Creative Writing I Fiction	
ENGLISH 315	Creative Writing Poetry	
ENGLISH 316	Literary Nonfiction	
ENGLISH 317	British Literature I [2]	

ENGLISH 318	Bible As Literature	
ENGLISH 321	American Literature II [2]	
ENGLISH 323	Shakespeare	
ENGLISH 325	Arthurian Legends	
ENGLISH 326	Modern Irish Literature	
ENGLISH 327	British Literature II [2]	
ENGLISH 331	African American Literature I [2]	
ENGLISH 332WI	Race and Literature	
ENGLISH 333	African American Literature II	
ENGLISH 336	Contemporary American Literature	
ENGLISH 337	Introduction to American Studies	
ENGLISH 344WI	Women & Literary Culture: Genre Focus	
ENGLISH 345WI	Women And Literary Culture: Historical Focus	
ENGLISH 351	Special Readings [1]	
ENGLISH 355	The Novel Before 1900	
ENGLISH 356	Studies in Poetry	
ENGLISH 365WI	The Novel After 1900	
ENGLISH 367	Introduction to Latinx Literature	
CLASSICS 300CY	Ancient World in Cinema	
CLASSICS 340AWI	Classical Literature In Translation [2]	
CLASSICS 391WI	Ancient Greek and Roman Medicine	
ENGLISH 404	Old English	
ENGLISH 433	Histories Of Writing, Reading, And Publishing [1]	
ENGLISH 441	Girls, Literacies, and Print Culture [2]	
ENGLISH 447	Theory and Criticism in English Studies	
ENGLISH 448	External Internship	
ENGLISH 449A	Publication Practicum	
ENGLISH 449B	Publication Practicum	
ENGLISH 449C	Publication Practicum	
ENGLISH 450	Special Readings [1]	
ENGLISH 464	Paleography	
ENGLISH 477CS	Classical Studies [1]	
ENGLISH 477EM	Early Modern Studies [1]	
ENGLISH 477ES	18th-Century Studies [1]	
ENGLISH 477MS	Medieval Studies [1]	
ENGLISH 477NS	19th-Century Studies [1]	
ENGLISH 477SA	Studies in Authorship [1]	
ENGLISH 477SG	Studies in Genre [1]	
ENGLISH 477TS	20th- and 21st-Century Studies [1]	
ENGLISH 499	Senior Tutorial	
FILM 323	Concepts of the Hero in Ancient Literature and World Cinema	
Total Credits		**36**

[1]   These courses, when offered with different content, are repeatable for credit.
[2]   These courses, which may fit in more than one category, **may only be used once towards the 36 credit hour total**.

General Electives

Students must take elective credit hours to meet the minimum credit hour requirement for their degree, including at least 36 credit hours of coursework at the 300-level or above. The minimum required by the university is 120 credit hours, of which at least 30 credit hours must be taken at UMKC, but some degree programs require more.

Code	Title	Credits
General Electives		**51**

Minimum GPA: 2.0

Total Credit Hours: 120

Tools for Planning and Fulfilling Academic Requirements

UMKC's Major Maps are detailed, semester by semester plans that lead a student to complete all degree requirements within four years. Plans include benchmarks and critical courses by term that assist a student's evaluation of progress and major "fit". In order to ensure that the appropriate courses are taken, students are encouraged to consult with the undergraduate advisor for this major. Please see the tab above to view the major map for this program.

UMKC's Transfer Guides (https://www.umkc.edu/transfer/transfer-credit/transfer-guides.html) provide detailed guidance on recommended transfer coursework, plans of study, transfer timelines, and transfer contact information. To ensure a seamless transfer experience, students are encouraged to work with both their community college advisor and a UMKC advisor when planning their coursework.

UMKC's PlanMyDegree 'Audit' (https://www.umkc.edu/registrar/academic-programs/plan-my-degree.html) degree audit system provides an individual evaluation of all degree requirements (General Education, Degree Specific, Major Specific, etc.) for students' officially recorded (Office of the Registrar) and "what if" exploratory plans of study. This evaluation is used to certify all graduation requirements.

UMKC's PlanMyDegree 'Plans' (https://www.umkc.edu/registrar/academic-programs/plan-my-degree.html) degree planning tool enables students to develop a personalized semester by semester plan of study towards completion of degree requirements for student's officially recorded (Office of the Registrar) and "what if" exploratory plans of study. Update and edit your full plan to degree completion each term and confirm accuracy each semester with your Academic Advisor(s).

Major Map
Four Year Graduation Plan - Courses & Critical Benchmarks for First Time College Students:

UMKC's Major Maps are detailed, undergraduate four-year course outlines that inform students on the classes they should take and when to take them. Outlines are updated yearly. Graduate students should visit their program's individual school for program outlines.

The following is a sample course of study. 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. It is the Student's responsibility to ensure that all program requirements are met. This guide is not a substitute for academic advisement.

First Year

Fall Semester	Credits	Spring Semester	Credits
GEFSE 101	3	1XX/2XX Level Introductory Course	3
ENGLISH 110[CC]	3	ENGLISH 225	3
COMM-ST 110, 140, or 277	3	MATH 116 or STAT 115	3
GECRT-AH 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 112, 113, or 114	3	GECRT-SS 101, 102, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, or 111	3
General Elective	3	General Elective	3
	15		**15**

Second Year

Fall Semester	Credits	Spring Semester	Credits
Literary Survey Course[CC]	3	Literary Survey Course[CC]	3
GECUE 201, 203, 204, 205, 206, or 272	3	3XX/4XX English Major Elective	3
HISTORY 101, 102, or POL-SCI 210	3	GECDV 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, or 211	3
General Elective	3	GECRT-SC 101, 102, or 103	3

General Elective		3	General Elective		3
		15			**15**

Third Year

Fall Semester	Credits		Spring Semester	Credits	
Literary Survey Course[CC]		3	Literary Survey Course[CC]		3
ENGLISH 323		3	ENGLISH 3XX/4XX Rhetoric Elective		3
ENGLISH 3XX/4XX Rhetoric Elective		3	General Elective		3
General Elective		3	General Elective		3
General Elective		3	General Elective		3
		15			**15**

Fourth Year

Fall Semester	Credits		Spring Semester	Credits	
4XX English Major Elective		3	4XX English Major Elective		3
ENGLISH 3XX Language Elective		3	4XX English Major Elective		3
General Elective		3	3XX/4XX General Elective (WI course if not yet completed)		3
General Elective		3	General Elective		3
General Elective		3	General Elective		3
		15			**15**

Total Credits: 120

CC   Critical Courses provide feedback regarding major fit and help indicate likelihood of successful completion of chosen academic program and degree.

Recommendations to Maintain Progress toward 4-Year Degree Completion

- Completion of the First Semester Experience (FSE) course in first term.
- Early completion of Written Communication, Oral Communication, and Math Pathway requirements.
- Maintain the minimum GPA required for academic Good Standing for your degree program.
- Completion at least 15 credit hours toward degree each regular semester. *(Students may use the summer to ensure completion of 30 hours per academic year or to lighten Fall and Spring course loads.)*
- Enrollment in Critical Courses as listed on the Major Map is recommended in order to maintain timely progress and completion of prerequisite coursework.
- Early and continuous enrollment in Foreign Language through completion of level required for degree program is recommended. *(The Foreign Language placement exam is highly recommended to ensure placement in the correct course level.)*
- Regular consultation with Academic Advisor(s) for program(s) of study is strongly recommended and may be required for some degree programs..

Roo Advising (https://catalog.umkc.edu/roo-advising/)

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Phone: 816-235-1148

Milestones
Year 1

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Login to **PlanMyDegree** (https://planmydegree.umkc.edu/selfserviceK/general/home.html):	Login to **PlanMyDegree** (https://planmydegree.umkc.edu/selfserviceK/general/home.html):
• Review your degree audit in **PlanMyDegree**	• Review your degree audit in **PlanMyDegree**
• Create an academic plan for the Spring semester in **PlanMyDegree**	• Create an academic plan for Year 2 in **PlanMyDegree**

Schedule appointment with Academic Advisor to review Academic Plan and obtain Spring semester approval to **release advising hold**. (https://umkc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/support/login.html)	Schedule appointment with Academic Advisor to review Academic Plan and Year 2 approval to **release advising hold**.
Complete the **Missouri Higher Education Civics Achievement Exam**. (https://catalog.umkc.edu/undergraduate-academic-regulations-information/graduation/civics-exam (https://catalog.umkc.edu/undergraduate-academic-regulations-information/graduation/civics-exam/)/)	Visit a faculty member during **office hours/student drop-in hours** to discuss their research.
Activate your **Handshake** account and take a look at on-campus positions. (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/students/handshake.html)	Attend a **Resume Workshop**, **Resume Blitz**, or have a **Resume Appointment** with Career Services. (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/appointments/new (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/appointments/new/))
Take one of the following **assessments** to get a better understanding of yourself (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/students/online-resources.html): **Clifton Strengths**, **Focus2**, or **Agile Work Profiler**.	Attend an **Employer Information Session** or **Networking in the 816** event. (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/)/)
Attend the **Fall Jobs & Internship Fair** or the **STEM Fair** to understand who is recruiting UMKC students. (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/)/)	Schedule a **Choosing a Career Path / College Major** appointment with a career coach to reflect on your major and see that it is in-line with career paths you are interested in. (https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/appointments/new (https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/appointments/new/))
Attend **Convocation** and **Roo Welcome Events**. (https://www.umkc.edu/get-involved/events/convocation.html)	Attend events and explore **RooGroups**. (https://roogroups.umkc.edu/home_login (https://roogroups.umkc.edu/home_login/))
Join a **student organization**. (find them via RooGroups: https://roogroups.umkc.edu/home_login (https://roogroups.umkc.edu/home_login/))	Attend **Leadership Workshops** through the Office of Student Involvement. (https://www.umkc.edu/get-involved/programs (https://www.umkc.edu/get-involved/programs/)/)
Attend an **Undergraduate Research Symposium** (August-**SUROP** or November).	Attend UMKC's Annual **Undergraduate Research Symposium** (April).
Investigate on-campus **Undergraduate Research employment opportunities** (work-study funded UR Associates or grant-funded). (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-resources/more-research-opportunities.html)	Enroll in a **EUReka** class (UMKC Essentials or lower-level in your MAP). (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started/)/)
Join a **journal club** or **research-focused student group**, if offered in your dept/unit.	Identify **potential faculty mentors** in your major (UR-Linked: https://net2.umkc.edu/intapps/ur-links (https://net2.umkc.edu/intapps/ur-links/)/, or Dept/Unit Web sites).
Connect with **Emerging Research Scholars** in Multicultural Student Affairs (MSA). (https://www.umkc.edu/msa/scholar-programs (https://www.umkc.edu/msa/scholar-programs/)/)	Attend a **research lecture** or **creative presentation** in your major.

Thinking Ahead
Explore summer enrollment to get caught up or get ahead.
Explore study abroad opportunities with the Study Abroad and Global Engagement Office. (https://www.umkc.edu/study-abroad (https://www.umkc.edu/study-abroad/)/)
Explore national competitive awards and scholarships. (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/awards (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/awards/)/)
Gain a general understanding of career outcomes for your chosen/desired majors.
Identify 2-3 career options.
Keep track of involvement using UMKC's Co-Curricular Transcript system. (https://www.umkc.edu/get-involved/programs/co-curricular-engagement.html)

Year 2

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Login to **PlanMyDegree** (https://planmydegree.umkc.edu/selfserviceK/general/home.html):	Login to **PlanMyDegree** (https://planmydegree.umkc.edu/selfserviceK/general/home.html):
• Review your degree audit in **PlanMyDegree**	• Review your degree audit in **PlanMyDegree**
• Review and continue working on your academic plan in **PlanMyDegree**	• Build out your academic plan through graduation in **PlanMyDegree**

Schedule appointment with Academic Advisor to review Academic Plan and obtain Spring semester approval to **release advising hold**. (https://umkc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/support/login.html)	Schedule appointment with Academic Advisor to review Academic Plan and ensure all program requirements are planned and obtain plan approval to **release advising hold**.
Attend the **Fall Jobs & Internship Fair** or any **career fair** to identify internship opportunities / hiring windows. (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/)/)	Attend an **Employer Information Session** or **Networking in the 816** event. (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/)/)
Have an employer or Career Coach review your **resume**. (https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/appointments/new (https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/appointments/new/))	Take part in a **job shadowing experience** or a **site visit**. (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/job-shadowing.html)
Consider applying for an **on/off-campus internship** or **research opportunity**. (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/postings/pending?page=1&per_page=25 (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/postings/pending/?page=1&per_page=25) OR https://www.umkc.edu/research (https://www.umkc.edu/research/)/)	Attend any **career fair**. (https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/events?collection=ALL&categories=5&eventFormat=HYBRID&sort=RELEVANCE&date=ALL&p (https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/events/?collection=ALL&categories=5&eventFormat=HYBRID&sort=RELEVANCE&date=ALL&p
Take on a **Leadership role** in a student organization or project team. (https://www.umkc.edu/get-involved/student-organizations (https://www.umkc.edu/get-involved/student-organizations/)/)	Connect with **Financial Wellness Center** and attend financial literacy workshops. (https://www.umkc.edu/financial-wellness (https://www.umkc.edu/financial-wellness/)/)
Attend an **Undergraduate Research Symposium** (August-**SUROP** or November).	Attend UMKC's **Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium** (April).
Enroll in a **EUReka** class (UMKC Essentials or lower-level in your MAP). (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started/)/)	Enroll in a **EUReka** class (UMKC Essentials or lower-level in your MAP). (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started/)/)
Investigate on-campus **Undergraduate Research** employment opportunities (work-study funded UR Associates or grant-funded). (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-resources/more-research-opportunities.html)	**Develop a plan** with your faculty research mentor for years three and four.
Meet with **potential faculty research mentors** in your major.	
Investigate off-campus **Undergraduate Research** opportunities. (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-resources/more-research-opportunities.html)	

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Explore summer enrollment to get caught up or get ahead.
Explore study abroad opportunities with the Study Abroad and Global Engagement Office. (https://www.umkc.edu/study-abroad (https://www.umkc.edu/study-abroad/)/)
Explore national competitive awards and scholarships. (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/awards (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/awards/)/)
Identify three internships or research opportunities that match your major and career goals.

Year 3

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Review your degree audit and academic plan in **PlanMyDegree** to ensure you are on track for anticipated graduation date.	Review your degree audit and academic plan in **PlanMyDegree** to ensure you are on track for anticipated graduation date.
Schedule an appointment or confirm enrollment plans as required with academic advisor to **release advising hold**. (https://umkc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/support/login.html)	Schedule an appointment or confirm enrollment plans as required with academic advisor to **release advising hold**.
	Submit **application for graduation** at the completion of 90 hours in Pathway. (https://www.umkc.edu/registrar/academic-programs/graduation (https://www.umkc.edu/registrar/academic-programs/graduation/)/)
Attend the **Fall Jobs & Internship Fair** or any career fair to discuss internship opportunities with employers. (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/)/)	Meet with an employer for an informational interview. (https://cdn.careers.bloch.umkc.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/130/2021/08/Bloch-Informational-Interviewing.pdf)
Attend a workshop or appointment about **Cover Letters** and **LinkedIn**. (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/appointments/new (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/appointments/new/))	Attend a Networking workshop or a **Networking in the 816** event. https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/)/)

Apply to a minimum of 3 internships that are in-line with your major / career goals. (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/postings/pending?page=1&per_page=25 (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/postings/pending/?page=1&per_page=25))	Attend any **career fair**. (https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/events?collection=ALL&categories=5&eventFormat=HYBRID&sort=RELEVANCE&date=ALL&p (https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/events/?collection=ALL&categories=5&eventFormat=HYBRID&sort=RELEVANCE&date=ALL&p
Run for **executive positions** in student organizations. (https://www.umkc.edu/get-involved/student-organizations (https://www.umkc.edu/get-involved/student-organizations/)/)	Attend **Grad Roo Fair**. (https://sgs.umkc.edu/admissions/gradroo.html)
Apply for **on/off-campus research opportunities**, including **SEARCH**. (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-grants (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-grants/)/)	Apply for **on/off-campus research opportunities**, including **SUROP**. (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-grants (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-grants/)/)
Enroll in upper-level **EUReka** Course in your major (investigate senior thesis options in your major). (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started/)/)	Enroll in upper-level **EUReka** Course in your major (investigate senior thesis options in your major). (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started/)/)
Conduct research with support of faculty mentor.	**Conduct research** with support of faculty mentor.
Present at UMKC's **Fall Research Symposium**. (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/presentations (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/presentations/)/)	Apply for **Undergraduate Research Fellow** transcript designation (March 1 deadline). (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/recognition (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/recognition/)/)
Investigate opportunities to present your research at regional or national conferences.	Present at UMKC's **Annual Symposium of Undergrad Research** in April. (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/presentations (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/presentations/)/)

Thinking Ahead
Explore summer enrollment to get caught up or get ahead.
Explore national competitive awards and scholarships. (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/awards (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/awards/)/)
Establish one to two contacts in your desired industry.
Complete an internship / employment opportunity related to your major / career goals.

Year 4

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Review your degree audit and academic plan in **PlanMyDegree** to ensure all requirements are planned by anticipated graduation date.	Review your degree audit and academic plan in **PlanMyDegree** to ensure all requirements are planned by anticipated graduation date.
Schedule an appointment or confirm enrollment plans as required with academic advisor to **release advising hold**. (https://umkc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/support/login.html)	Take **UMKC HEIghten Exam**. (https://net3.umkc.edu/intapps/exitexams/Home.aspx)
Attend the **Fall Jobs & Internship Fair** or the **STEM fair** to identify jobs to apply to. (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/)/)	Pay close attention to email for information about **Graduation Fair** and **Commencement Exercises**.
Attend a workshop or appointment about Job Searching. (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/appointments/new (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/appointments/new/))	Attend a Networking workshop or a **Networking in the 816** event. (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/)/)
Have a **mock interview** appointment with a Career Coach. (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/appointments/new (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/appointments/new/))	Attend any **career fair**. (https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/events?collection=ALL&categories=5&eventFormat=HYBRID&sort=RELEVANCE&date=ALL&p (https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/events/?collection=ALL&categories=5&eventFormat=HYBRID&sort=RELEVANCE&date=ALL&p
Serve on one or more **student advisory boards**.	Attend a **senior send-off** and **Commencement-related events**. (https://www.umkc.edu/commencement (https://www.umkc.edu/commencement/)/)
Apply for **on/off-campus research opportunities**, including **SEARCH**. (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-grants (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-grants/)/)	**Apply** to a minimum of 5 jobs or **submit applications** to professional / graduate programs as needed. (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/postings/pending?page=1&per_page=25 (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/postings/pending/?page=1&per_page=25))
Conduct research with support of faculty mentor.	**Conduct research** with support of faculty mentor.

Request nomination for **Undergraduate Research Day @ the Capitol** (URD@C) from your faculty mentor (November 1 deadline). (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/presentations/undergraduate-research-day-at-the-capitol (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/presentations/undergraduate-research-day-at-the-capitol/)/)

Present Your Research at **UMKC's Annual Symposium of Undergraduate Research** (April) or at a regional or national conference in your discipline.

Present Your Research at **Fall UR Symposium** or at a regional or national conference in your discipline. (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/presentations (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/presentations/)/)

In Canvas, complete all requirements in your **Graduation Checklist** (will appear in the second 8 weeks of the semester).

Feature research accomplishments on résumé or grad/professional school applications.

Celebrate your awesomeness!

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Successfully obtain full-time work or graduate school admission and report your outcome in 12Twenty. (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/students/12twenty.html)

Give back by speaking at student leadership panels or participating in alumni events.