

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

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'.

There are three options available to complete a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree:

- Pre-Licensure (4 Year traditional program in nursing for students who want to obtain a BSN and do not possess a previous bachelor's degree or RN license)
- Accelerated (Second degree option for students who possess a bachelor's degree in another discipline, do not possess an RN license and want to obtain a BSN)
- RN-BSN (BSN Completion Program for students who are currently licensed registered nurses (RNs), possess an associate's degree or diploma in nursing and want to obtain a BSN). Enrollment may be full or part-time.

BSN Pre-licensure (4 Year Traditional Program in Nursing)

Student Learning Outcomes

Students graduating from this program will:

- demonstrate Personal Effectiveness as evidenced by progressing from awareness to knowledge to proficiency in the following competencies: Critical Thinking, Professional Valuing/Caring, and Professional Role Development;
- demonstrate Interpersonal Effectiveness as evidenced by progressing from awareness to knowledge to proficiency in the following competencies: Communication, Teaching/Learning, and Technology Utilization;
- demonstrate Effectiveness in Human Health Outcomes as evidenced by progressing from awareness to knowledge to proficiency in the following competencies: Health Promotion and Disease Prevention and Evidence-Based Care; and
- demonstrate Effectiveness Within Complex Health Systems as evidenced by progressing from awareness to knowledge to proficiency in the following competencies: Leadership/Management, Global Perspectives, and Health Care Systems and Policy.

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Admissions

Students begin the BSN Pre-licensure program as Bachelor of Health Sciences (BHS) Pre-Nurse students. Refer to Major Map for additional details. The Direct Admissions Program has additional requirements, please see below.

Students fulfill all prerequisite courses prior to enrolling in nursing courses.

Students must earn a grade of B- or better in all pre-requisite courses required for admission to the nursing program. Students who receive a grade of less than B- may repeat these courses. Nursing courses may not be attempted more than twice. The only nursing courses that may be taken prior to admission into the nursing program are NURSE 101, NURSE 120, NURSE 125, NURSE 160, NURSE 252 and/or NURSE 345. Students who wish to take nursing courses after notification of admission to the nursing program the summer before beginning the clinical major may do so but the SoNHS Policies & Procedures for BSN PL and AT Program will apply. A 2.75 GPA for all courses required in the nursing program attempted or earned, and maintain a minimum GPA of 2.75 each semester.

Once admitted to the nursing program, or prior to, students must achieve a grade of C or better in all general education courses and a B- or better in all nursing courses.

Once courses in Phase I are completed, an application is submitted to the BSN-PL program, Applications are due each January to begin the following fall semester, The remaining pre-requisite courses must be completed in the following spring semester in order to begin the BSN Clinical Program in the following fall semester, if an offer of admission is issued.

Procedure for Application to the Nursing Major

- Admission to UMKC
- Submission of the School of Nursing and Health Studies Application materials which are posted in November on the School of Nursing and Health Studies website
- The SoNHS Appointed Committee reviews all applications to the Nursing Major

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 (satisfied in major requirements below)		
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		27

A minimum grade of C must be achieved in all required general education courses prior to or while admitted to the nursing program in order to continue progression in the nursing program. A grade of less than C (C-, D+, D, F, and NR) or Audit/AT is not satisfactory for progression.

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.

Program Prerequisites

A minimum grade of B- is required for each pre-requisite course. Students taking pre-requisites or admitted to the nursing program must achieve a grade of B- or better in all courses. Minimum nursing GPA is 2.75. A grade of less than B- (C+, C, C-, D+, D, F, NR and) or Audit/AT is not satisfactory for progression into the nursing program.

Code	Title	Credits
BIOLOGY 112	Microbiology and Living	3
CHEM 115 & 115L	Elements Of Chemistry I and Elements Of Chemistry, Laboratory I (or any CHEM+LAB course) ¹	5
HLSC 101	Introduction to Health Sciences ²	2
MATH 110	Precalculus Algebra (or higher; satisfies Math Pathway)	3
NURSE 101	Introduction to Nursing	2
NURSE 120 or MOTRLIFS 150LAP	Anatomy & Physiology I MOTR Anatomy and Physiology focused Human Biology w/Lab	4
NURSE 160	Anatomy and Physiology II	4
Total Credits		23

¹ The courses Anatomy & Physiology, Chemistry with lab and Microbiology **CANNOT BE OLDER THAN FIVE YEARS** from when you are beginning the clinical program.

² Waived if student has 60+ credit hours and a 3.5+ GPA.

Professional Degree Requirements

The remaining courses below are clinical courses ONLY and will be completed by the student once formally accepted into the clinical major (six semesters-3 years long): You must be accepted into the three-year clinical program to begin these courses. Nursing courses may not be attempted more than twice. The only nursing courses that may be taken prior to admission into the nursing program are NURSE 101, NURSE 120, NURSE 125, NURSE 160, NURSE 252 and/or NURSE 345. Students who wish to take nursing courses after notification of admission to the nursing program the summer before beginning the clinical major may do so but the SoNHS Policies & Procedures for BSN PL and AT Program will apply. A 2.75 GPA for all courses required in the nursing program attempted or earned, and maintain a minimum GPA of 2.75 each semester.

Once admitted to the nursing program, students must achieve a grade of C or better in all general education courses and a B- or better in all nursing courses. Students must obtain a final grade of 80% or higher in order to progress in the nursing program. Students must also earn a 78% or higher on the combined average of the course examinations (defined as "Tests" and "Final Exams") in order to progress in the nursing program. Students who receive a grade of less than B- may repeat these courses. Nursing courses may not be attempted more than twice.

Code	Title	Credits
CHEM 206	Human Nutrition	3
NURSE 125	Medical Terminology	1
NURSE 127	Drug Calculations	1
NURSE 220	Fundamental Concepts & Skills	6
NURSE 230 or GECRT-SS 111	Health In Aging Health Issues in Aging	2
NURSE 250	Health Assessment for Nursing Practice	3
NURSE 252	Human Growth and Development	3
NURSE 256	Pharmacology	3

NURSE 262	Management of Adult Health I	5
NURSE 342	Legal & Ethical Issues	2
NURSE 345	Quantitative Analysis In The Health Sciences	3
NURSE 360	Management of Mental Health	4
NURSE 362	Management of Adult Health II	5
NURSE 364	Management of Maternal & Family Health	4
NURSE 366	Management of Child & Adolescent Health	4
NURSE 395	Pathophysiology	3
NURSE 462	Special Topics (Healthcare)	2
NURSE 465	Management of Community and Public Health Nursing	4
NURSE 467	Management of Critical & Emergent Care	5
NURSE 468	Effectiveness in Complex Health Systems	4
NURSE 472	Clinical Internship	5
NURSE 476	Research Methods in Health Sciences	3
Total Credits		75

Graduation with a BSN degree does not guarantee licensure. Students must successfully complete the NCLEX exam and apply for licensure with their state's Board of Nursing to obtain a license as a registered nurse.

Minimum GPA: 2.75

Total Credit Hours: 128

Direct Admit Program

The UMKC School of Nursing and Health Studies (SONHS) offers the Direct Admit Program for outstanding high school students who intend to enter UMKC as freshmen. Eligible students are offered direct admission into the Pre-Licensure Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.) Program as freshmen, allowing them to be pre-admitted to the clinical major.

BENEFITS

- Early assurance of admission to the clinical program, if criteria are met and maintained.
- Clinical supplemental application waived.

Anyone who does not meet Direct Admit eligibility requirements during their senior year of high school may still apply to the Pre-Licensure B.S.N. Program during their first or second year of college using the clinical supplemental application, depending on how long it takes to complete prerequisites.

- Opportunity for early interaction with current clinical students through involvement in the Student Nurses' Association (SNA).
- Opportunity to assist with SONHS events (i.e. White Coat Ceremony, pinning, commencement, etc.)

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Meet UMKC freshmen admission criteria
- Composite ACT score of 27 or higher (or equivalent SAT Composite score)

PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION TO DIRECT ADMIT BSN FOR PRE-LICENSURE:

- Apply using the general UMKC application for Health Sciences and emphasis as Pre-Nursing. Upload your SAT/ACT scores and complete the optional Direct Admit Acceptance within the application.

DIRECT ADMIT PROGRESSION TO CLINICAL MAJOR CRITERIA

Direct Admit students will progress to the clinical program as long as academic progression requirements are met, as listed below:

1. Maintain cumulative GPA and individual semester GPA of 2.75 or higher
2. Maintain nursing prerequisite GPA of 2.75 or higher (cumulative of first five prerequisite courses listed below)
3. Complete all Pre-Licensure B.S.N. prerequisite courses with a grade of B- or better on the first attempt.

Please note: If either the cumulative/semester GPA requirement or pre-requisite course grade of B- or better on first attempt is not achieved the Direct Admission status will be revoked and the student will need to apply to the Pre-Licensure program using the admission requirements listed above.

Accelerated (AT); (Second Degree option for students with a previous bachelor's degree)

Student Learning Outcomes

Students graduating from this program will:

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- demonstrate Interpersonal Effectiveness as evidenced by progressing from awareness to knowledge to proficiency in the following competencies: Communication, Teaching/Learning, and Technology Utilization;
- demonstrate Effectiveness in Human Health Outcomes as evidenced by progressing from awareness to knowledge to proficiency in the following competencies: Health Promotion and Disease Prevention and Evidence-Based Care; and
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Admissions

Students must have completed a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution by July 1 of the year of application.

Students fulfill all prerequisite courses prior to enrolling in nursing courses. If students complete prerequisites at UMKC they enroll as Bachelor of Health Sciences (BHS) Accelerated (AT) students (Phase I).

Students must earn a grade of B- or better in all pre-requisite courses required for admission to the nursing program. Students who receive a grade of less than B- may repeat these courses. Nursing courses may not be attempted more than twice.

Once admitted to the nursing program, students must achieve a grade of C or better in all general education courses and a B- or better in all nursing courses.

Once prerequisite courses are completed, an application is submitted to the BSN-AT program, Applications are due each January to begin the following fall semester, The remaining pre-requisite courses must be completed in the following spring semester in order to begin the BSN Clinical Program in the following fall semester, if an offer of admission is issued.

The only nursing courses that may be taken prior to admission into the nursing program are NURSE 101 (<https://catalog.umkc.edu/search/?P=NURSE%20101>), NURSE 120 (<https://catalog.umkc.edu/search/?P=NURSE%20120>), NURSE 125 (<https://catalog.umkc.edu/search/?P=NURSE%20125>), NURSE 160 (<https://catalog.umkc.edu/search/?P=NURSE%20160>), NURSE 252 (<https://catalog.umkc.edu/search/?P=NURSE%20252>) and/or NURSE 345 (<https://catalog.umkc.edu/search/?P=NURSE%20345>). Students who wish to take nursing courses after notification of admission to the nursing program the summer before beginning the clinical major may do so but the SoNHS Policies & Procedures for BSN PL and AT Program will apply.

Criteria for Admission to Nursing Major

- Admission to UMKC
- Students must have completed a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution by the end of the spring semester of the year of application
- Students must maintain a 2.75 GPA each semester for all courses required in the nursing program attempted or earned
- Satisfactory completion of all pre-requisite courses by the end of the spring semester of the year of application. Refer to Time Limit on Science Courses Policy (science courses taken must be no older than five years). Completed courses must include: Chemistry w/lab, Microbiology, Anatomy & Physiology with lab, Nutrition, and Human Growth & Development Across the Lifespan.

Procedure for Application to the Nursing Major

- Complete UMKC application and send ALL official transcripts and fees to:
University of Missouri-Kansas City
Office of Admissions
- Submission of the School of Nursing and Health Studies Application materials, which are posted in November, on the School of Nursing and Health Studies website
- The Student Affairs Committee reviews all applications to the Nursing Major

Program Requirements

Program Prerequisites

A minimum grade of B- is required for each pre-requisite course. Students taking pre-requisites or admitted to the nursing program must achieve a grade of B- or better in all courses. Minimum nursing GPA is 2.75. A grade of less than B- (C+, C, C-, D+, D, F, NR) or Audit/AT is not satisfactory for progression in the nursing program.

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CHEM 206	Human Nutrition	3
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NURSE 160	Anatomy and Physiology II	4
NURSE 252	Human Growth and Development	3
Total Credits		22

Professional Degree Requirements

The remaining courses below are clinical courses and must be completed by the student once formally accepted into the clinical major (five semesters long): You must be accepted into the clinical program to begin these courses.

Once admitted to the nursing program, students must achieve a grade of C or better in all general education courses and a B- or better in all nursing courses. Students must obtain a final grade of 80% or higher in order to progress in the nursing program. Students must also earn an 78% or higher on the combined average of the course examinations (defined as "Tests" and "Final Exams") in order to progress in the nursing program. Students who receive a grade of less than B- may repeat these courses. Nursing courses may not be attempted more than twice.

Additional academic requirements, and policies and procedures are located in the School of Nursing and Health Studies Policies and Procedures Manual (https://sonhs.umkc.edu/docs/sonhs-policyprocedure2024_03-13-2024-facassembly.pdf). Please refer to this document.

Code	Title	Credits
NURSE 125	Medical Terminology	1
NURSE 127	Drug Calculations	1
NURSE 220	Fundamental Concepts & Skills	6
NURSE 230	Health In Aging	2
NURSE 250	Health Assessment for Nursing Practice	3
NURSE 256	Pharmacology	3
NURSE 262	Management of Adult Health I	5
NURSE 342	Legal & Ethical Issues	2
NURSE 345	Quantitative Analysis In The Health Sciences	3
NURSE 360	Management of Mental Health	4
NURSE 362	Management of Adult Health II	5
NURSE 364	Management of Maternal & Family Health	4
NURSE 366	Management of Child & Adolescent Health	4
NURSE 395	Pathophysiology	3
NURSE 462	Special Topics	2
NURSE 465	Management of Community and Public Health Nursing	4
NURSE 467	Management of Critical & Emergent Care	5
NURSE 468	Effectiveness in Complex Health Systems	4
NURSE 472	Clinical Internship	5
NURSE 476	Research Methods in Health Sciences	3
Total Credits		69

Graduation with a BSN degree does not guarantee licensure. Students must successfully complete the NCLEX exam and apply for licensure with their state's Board of Nursing to obtain a license as a registered nurse.

Minimum GPA: 2.75

Total Credit Hours: 91

RN-BSN (BSN Completion Program for students who are current RNs)

Student Learning Outcomes

Students graduating from this program will:

- Demonstrate Personal Effectiveness as evidenced by progressing from awareness to knowledge to proficiency in the following competencies: Critical Thinking, Professional Valuing/Caring, and Professional Role Development.
- Demonstrate Interpersonal Effectiveness as evidenced by progressing from awareness to knowledge to proficiency in the following competencies: Communication, Teaching/Learning, and Technology Utilization.
- Demonstrate Effectiveness in Human Health Outcomes as evidenced by progressing from awareness to knowledge to proficiency in the following competencies: Health Promotion and Disease Prevention and Evidence-Based Care.
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Admission

- **Applicants applying to the RN-BSN program must have a Nursing diploma or Associates degree in nursing from a regionally accredited college or university, with a nursing program that is accredited by a nationally recognized nursing accrediting agency (CCNE or ACEN)**
- Graduation from a state board of nursing – approved school of nursing. Applicants requesting admission to the BSN program who are graduates of diploma or non-accredited A.D.N. programs may be admitted on provisional status.
- Current unencumbered licensure as a registered nurse with licensure in the jurisdiction where clinical study is to be conducted. The license must remain unencumbered throughout the program. A student whose license becomes encumbered while in the program will be dismissed.
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) from the basic school of nursing and all previous and subsequent college coursework. Students applying with a cumulative GPA ranging from 2.0 to 2.499 may be admitted on probation based on review of individual circumstances.
- Open and rolling admission program. Students may apply for any semester (fall, spring or summer) and once admitted, can enroll in courses as determined by their plan of study.
- Applicants from approved associate-level RN degree programs may be provisionally admitted to the RN-BSN program prior to securing licensure. If admitted as degree-seeking students, these applicants must provide documentation of a valid, unencumbered RN license prior to the end of their first term of enrollment in the RN-BSN program. For information regarding currently approved programs, contact the UMKC Nursing department.

Procedure for Application to the Nursing Major for RN-BSN:

- Apply using the general UMKC application & the RN-BSN Supplemental Application (Please note: The RN-BSN Supplemental Application is housed within the general UMKC application).

Additional requirements:

- Valid, current and unencumbered RN license. If NCLEX results are pending, students must submit proof of licensure prior to the first nursing course (N481). Note: an unencumbered RN license must be maintained throughout the program.

Additional Notifications

State regulations require that UMKC be authorized to offer online degrees in the state where a student resides while enrolled in the program. UMKC is currently authorized to offer online programs in the states listed on the State Authorization webpage (<https://teaching.missouri.edu/student/state-authorization/umkc/>). If you are in one of the online programs and there is a possibility that you would relocate to another state while enrolled in the program, you must notify your academic advisor or the program director immediately. Note that regulations in that state may stipulate additional or specific requirements that may prohibit or limit your ability to enroll in or complete the online degree through UMKC.

Required General Education Coursework

Students must complete 50 credit hours in general education coursework.

UMKC Essentials

Code	Title	Credits
First Semester Experience Course (GEFSE; Satisfied in program requirements below)		
Written Communication:		
ENGLISH 110	Introduction to Academic Prose	3
ENGLISH 225	English II: Intermediate Academic Prose	3
Oral Communication (Satisfied in program requirements below)		
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	
Any 200-level MATH or STAT course		
ACT Sub-score of 28 or higher; or SAT Sub-score 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; Satisfied in program requirements below)		
Civic & Urban Engagement (GECUE; Satisfied in program requirements below)		
Total Credits		18

Constitution Course Requirement

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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.

Code	Title	Credits
Additional coursework:		29

These courses are required for graduation and not for admission into the RN-BSN program.

*If you have already earned a bachelor's degree or an associate of arts degree from a regionally accredited college, you are exempt from the above general education courses.

A minimum grade of C is required in all general education, science and nursing courses in order to progress in the nursing program. A grade of less than C (C-, D+, D, F, NR) or Audit/AT is not satisfactory for progression.

Professional Degree Requirements

Lower Division Nursing courses

The lower division component of the RN-BSN track requires 28 credit hours of coursework which may be obtained in one of two ways:

- By transfer coursework from an associate degree program accredited by a nationally recognized nursing accrediting body;
- Successful passage of the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX).

Students requesting admission to the BSN program who are graduates of diploma or non-National League for Nursing (NLN) accredited Associates Degree in Nursing (ADN) programs may be admitted on provisional status. Upon completion of Nurse 481 - Block I: Tools for Personal Effectiveness (6 credit hours) and Nurse 482 - Block II: Tools for Interpersonal Effectiveness (3 hours) with a grade of C or better and a minimum semester GPA of 2.75, 28 hours of credit by NCLEX exam will be added to the UMKC transcript and the provisional status will be removed.

Upper Division Nursing courses

The upper division nursing courses below (400 level - 36 hours) are required to be completed through UMKC. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 for all college credit attempted or earned coursework to enroll in any 200-level or higher nursing course. A semester GPA of 2.75 must be maintained to progress in the nursing curriculum.

Code	Title	Credits
NURSE 345	Quantitative Analysis In The Health Sciences	3
NURSE 395	Pathophysiology	3
NURSE 401	Health Assessment for Clinical Practice	3
NURSE 417	Information Systems and Technology for Improved Health Care	3
NURSE 476	Research Methods in Health Sciences	3
NURSE 481	Block I: Tools for Personal Effectiveness (satisfies GEFSE course)	6
NURSE 482	Block II: Tools for Interpersonal Effectiveness (satisfies GE Oral Communications requirement)	3
NURSE 483	Block III: Effectiveness in Human Health Outcomes (satisfies GECDV course)	6
NURSE 484	Block IV: Effectiveness in Complex Health Systems (satisfies GECUE course)	6
NURSE 485	Application to Practice I	3
NURSE 486	Application to Practice II	3
Total Credits		42

Code	Title	Credits
General Electives:		28

Minimum GPA: 2.75

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).

Licensure Disclosure

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Graduation with a BSN degree does not guarantee licensure. Students must successfully complete the NCLEX exam and apply for licensure with their state's Board of Nursing to obtain a license as a registered nurse.

UMKC strongly recommends that students review the applicable licensure board(s) in their state of residence or in the state where they intend to obtain a license before beginning an academic program that results in licensure or certification and prior to beginning any practicum/internship. See UMKC's Professional Licensure Disclosures (<https://www.umkc.edu/provost/academics/professional-licensure-disclosures.html>) page for more information.

Program Director

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States in Which the Curriculum Meets the Educational Requirements for Licensure

All US states and territories.

States in Which the Curriculum Does Not Meet the Educational Requirements for Licensure

N/A.

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.

Pre-Licensure program

First Year

Fall Semester	Credits	Spring Semester	Credits	Summer Semester	Credits
NURSE 101 ^{CC}	2	HLSC 101	2	Summer courses here	
NURSE 120 ^{CC}	4	NURSE 160 ^{CC}	4		
CHEM 115 & 115L	5	BIOLOGY 112	3		
GEFSE 101	3	MATH 110	3		
ENGLISH 110	3	ENGLISH 225	3		
	17		15		0

Second Year

Fall Semester	Credits	Spring Semester	Credits	Summer Semester	Credits
NURSE 127	1	NURSE 252	3	summer courses here	
NURSE 220	6	NURSE 256	3		
NURSE 250	3	NURSE 262	5		
GECRT-SS 111 or NURSE 230	2-3	CHEM 206	3		
NURSE 395	3	COMM-ST 110 or 277	3		
NURSE 125	1				
	16-17		17		0

Third Year

Fall Semester	Credits	Spring Semester	Credits	Summer Semester	Credits
NURSE 345	3	NURSE 360	4	summer courses here	
NURSE 364	4	NURSE 362	5		

NURSE 366	4	GECRT-SC 101, 102, or 103	3		
GECRT-AH 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 112, 113, or 114	3	GECDV 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, or 211	3		
HISTORY 101, 102, or POL-SCI 210	3				
	17		15		0
Fourth Year					
Fall Semester	Credits	Spring Semester	Credits	Summer Semester	Credits
NURSE 342	2	NURSE 462	2	summer courses here	
NURSE 465	4	NURSE 468	4		
NURSE 467	5	NURSE 472	5		
NURSE 476	3	GECUE 201, 203, 204, 205, 206, or 272	3		
	14		14		0

Total Credits: 125-126

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..

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Milestones Year 1

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Login to (https://planmydegree.umkc.edu/selfserviceK/general/home.html) PlanMyDegree :	Login to (https://planmydegree.umkc.edu/selfserviceK/general/home.html) PlanMyDegree :
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review your degree audit in PlanMyDegree • Create an academic plan for the Spring semester in PlanMyDegree 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review your degree audit 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 (https://umkc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/support/login.html) release advising hold .	Schedule appointment with Academic Advisor to review Academic Plan and Year 2 approval to (https://umkc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/support/login.html) release advising hold .
Complete the (https://catalog.umkc.edu/undergraduate-academic-regulations-information/graduation/civics-exam/) Missouri Higher Education Civics Achievement Exam .	Visit a faculty member during office hours/student drop-in hours to discuss their research.

Activate your (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/students/handshake.html) Handshake account and take a look at on-campus positions.	Attend a (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/appointments/new/) Resume Workshop , Resume Blitz , or have a Resume Appointment with Career Services.
Take one of the following (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/students/online-resources.html) assessments to get a better understanding of yourself: Clifton Strengths , Focus2 , or Agile Work Profiler .	Attend an (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/) Employer Information Session or Networking in the 816 event.
Attend the (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/) Fall Jobs & Internship Fair or the STEM Fair to understand who is recruiting UMKC students.	Schedule a (https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/appointments/new/) 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.
Attend (https://www.umkc.edu/get-involved/events/convocation.html) Convocation and Roo Welcome Events .	Attend events and explore (https://roogroups.umkc.edu/home_login/) RooGroups .
Join a (https://roogroups.umkc.edu/home_login/) student organization . (find them via RooGroups)	Attend (https://www.umkc.edu/get-involved/programs/) Leadership Workshops through the Office of Student Involvement.
Attend an Undergraduate Research Symposium (August-SUROP or November).	Attend UMKC's Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium (April).
Investigate on-campus (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-resources/more-research-opportunities.html) Undergraduate Research employment opportunities (work-study funded UR Associates or grant-funded).	Enroll in a (https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started/) EUREKA class (UMKC Essentials or lower-level in your MAP).
Join a journal club or research-focused student group , if offered in your dept/unit.	Identify (https://net2.umkc.edu/intapps/ur-links/) potential faculty mentors in your major (UR-Linked or Dept/Unit Web sites).
Connect with (https://www.umkc.edu/msa/scholar-programs/) Emerging Research Scholars in Multicultural Student Affairs (MSA).	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/>)
- Explore national competitive awards and scholarships. (<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 (https://planmydegree.umkc.edu/selfserviceK/general/home.html) PlanMyDegree : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review your degree audit in PlanMyDegree Review and continue working on your academic plan in PlanMyDegree 	Login to (https://planmydegree.umkc.edu/selfserviceK/general/home.html) PlanMyDegree : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review your degree audit 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 (https://umkc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/support/login.html) release advising hold .	Schedule appointment with Academic Advisor to review Academic Plan and ensure all program requirements are planned and obtain plan approval to (https://umkc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/support/login.html) release advising hold .
Attend the (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/) Fall Jobs & Internship Fair or any career fair to identify internship opportunities / hiring windows.	Attend an (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/) Employer Information Session or Networking in the 816 event.
Have an employer or Career Coach review your (https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/appointments/new/) resume .	Take part in a (https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/job-shadowing.html) job shadowing experience or a site visit .
Consider applying for an (https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/postings/pending/?page=1&per_page=25 OR https://www.umkc.edu/research/) on/off-campus internship or research opportunity .	Attend any (https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/events/?collection=ALL&categories=5&eventFormat=HYBRID&sort=RELEVANT) fair .
Take on a (https://www.umkc.edu/get-involved/student-organizations/) Leadership role in a student organization or project team.	Connect with (https://www.umkc.edu/financial-wellness/) Financial Wellness Center and attend financial literacy workshops.

Attend an **Undergraduate Research Symposium** (August-SUROP or November).

Enroll in a (<https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started/>)**EUREKA** class (UMKC Essentials or lower-level in your MAP).

Investigate on-campus (<https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-resources/more-research-opportunities.html>)**Undergraduate Research** employment opportunities (work-study funded UR Associates or grant-funded).

Meet with **potential faculty research mentors** in your major.

Investigate off-campus (<https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-resources/more-research-opportunities.html>)**Undergraduate Research** opportunities.

Attend UMKC's **Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium** (April).

Enroll in a (<https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started/>)**EUREKA** class (UMKC Essentials or lower-level in your MAP).

Develop a plan with your faculty research mentor for years three and four.

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/>)

Explore national competitive awards and scholarships. (<https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/awards/>)

Identify three internships or research opportunities that match your major and career goals.

Year 3

Fall Semester

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 (<https://umkc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/support/login.html>)**release advising hold**.

Attend the (<https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/>)**Fall Jobs & Internship Fair** or any career fair to discuss internship opportunities with employers.

Attend a workshop or appointment about (<https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/appointments/new/>)**Cover Letters** and **LinkedIn**.

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)

Run for (<https://www.umkc.edu/get-involved/student-organizations/>)**executive positions** in student organizations.

Apply for (<https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-grants/>)**on/off-campus research opportunities**, including **SEARCH**.

Enroll in upper-level (<https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started/>)**EUREKA** Course in your major (investigate senior thesis options in your major).

Conduct research with support of faculty mentor.

Present at UMKC's (<https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/presentations/>)**Fall Research Symposium**.

Investigate opportunities to present your research at regional or national conferences.

Spring Semester

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 (<https://umkc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/support/login.html>)**release advising hold**.

Submit (<https://www.umkc.edu/registrar/academic-programs/graduation/>)**application for graduation** at the completion of 90 hours in Pathway.

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 Networking workshop or a (<https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/>)**Networking in the 816** event.

Attend any (<https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/events/?collection=ALL&categories=5&eventFormat=HYBRID&sort=RELEVANCE>)**fair**.

Attend (<https://sgs.umkc.edu/admissions/gradroo.html>)**Grad Roo Fair**.

Apply for (<https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-grants/>)**on/off-campus research opportunities**, including **SUROP**.

Enroll in upper-level (<https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/get-started/>)**EUREKA** Course in your major (investigate senior thesis options in your major).

Conduct research with support of faculty mentor.

Apply for (<https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/recognition/>)**Undergraduate Research Fellow** transcript designation (March 1 deadline).

Present at UMKC's (<https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/presentations/>)**Annual Symposium of Undergrad Research** in April.

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/>)

Establish one to two contacts in your desired industry.

Complete an internship / employment opportunity related to your major / career goals.

Year 4

Fall Semester

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 (<https://umkc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/support/login.html>)**release advising hold**.

Attend the (<https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/>)**Fall Jobs & Internship Fair** or the **STEM fair** to identify jobs to apply to.

Attend a workshop or appointment about Job Searching. (<https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/appointments/new/>)

Have a (<https://app.joinhandshake.com/edu/appointments/new/>)**mock interview** appointment with a Career Coach.

Serve on one or more **student advisory boards**.

Apply for (<https://www.umkc.edu/undergraduate-research/student-grants/>)**on/off-campus research opportunities**, including **SEARCH**.

Conduct research with support of faculty mentor.

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

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

Feature research accomplishments on résumé or grad/professional school applications. **Celebrate your awesomeness!**

Spring Semester

Review your degree audit and academic plan in **PlanMyDegree** to ensure all requirements are planned by anticipated graduation date.

Take (<https://net3.umkc.edu/intapps/exitexams/Home.aspx>)**UMKC HEIghten Exam**.

Pay close attention to email for information about **Graduation Fair** and **Commencement Exercises**.

Attend a Networking workshop or a (<https://www.umkc.edu/career-services/events/>)**Networking in the 816** event.

Attend any (<https://umkc.joinhandshake.com/stu/events/?collection=ALL&categories=5&eventFormat=HYBRID&sort=RELEVANCE>)**fair**.

Attend a (<https://www.umkc.edu/commencement/>)**senior send-off** and **Commencement-related events**.

Apply to a minimum of 5 jobs or **submit applications** to professional / graduate programs as needed.

Conduct research with support of faculty mentor.

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

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

Thinking Ahead

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.