GRADING OPTIONS AND AUDITING COURSES

Auditing a Course

A student must be admitted to the university and obtain the consent of the instructor in order to audit a course. Courses that ordinarily may not be audited are studio courses in art, performance courses in the Department of Communication Studies, continuing education courses, and laboratory courses in the sciences. Students do not receive credit when auditing a course, and audited courses do not count toward enrollment status requirements (full-time, half-time).

A student registered in a course for audit is expected to attend class and to pay full tuition and fees. Providing feedback to the auditor is at the discretion of the instructor. An auditor may be administratively withdrawn from a course at any time during the semester when, in the judgement of the instructor and upon approval by the dean, the attendance or participation record justifies such action.

Change from Audit to Credit

Students may change status in a course from audit to credit during the first week of the term provided they have approval of the faculty and academic unit. This change must be initiated in the advising office of the appropriate academic unit and must be completed in the UMKC Registration & Records Office.

Change from Credit to Audit

Students may change their status in a course from credit to audit any time prior to the end of the fourth week of any Fall or Spring semester, or prior to the end of the second week of any summer session. This change must be initiated in the advising office and must be completed in the UMKC Registration & Records Office.

Credit/No Credit Option

Sophomores, juniors and seniors in good standing may elect to take one course per semester on a credit/no credit (CR/NC) basis. The credit/no credit option may not be used for courses in the major nor the minor, nor for courses taken to fulfill the general degree requirements. Students may not elect this option when they are repeating a course.

The credit/no credit option must be elected at the time of initial registration for a term and cannot be changed subsequently. A grade of C- or better must be earned to earn credit; D and F grades receive no credit. Grades of CR or NC do not earn grade points and they do not affect the grade-point average. Courses elected on this option are subject to regular academic regulations, including course load, withdrawal, etc.

The credit/no credit option is not available for students pursuing a bachelor of liberal arts degree.

NR Grades

If a student appears on a grade roster and stops attending class within the semester following the administrative drop timeline (first three weeks of class), a grade of NR (Not Reported) will be assigned to the student in lieu of an F. NR’s calculate in a student’s GPA just like an F.