FRESHMAN ADMISSION

Automatic Admission from High School

Admission to UMKC is designed to reflect a student’s probable success at the University. Since fall 1997, UMKC has admitted students according to the Missouri Coordinating Board for Higher Education’s (CBHE) category of “selective institution.” Selective institutions admit first-time, full-time degree-seeking students and transfer students who have completed 24 or fewer credit hours, who attain a combined percentile score, resulting from the addition of their high school percentile rank and the percentile rank attained on a national normalized test, i.e. ACT or SAT, which equals or exceeds 120 points. Students achieving a score of 24 or better on the ACT College Entrance Examination, or its equivalent on the SAT, are automatically admitted to selective institutions.

The required ACT/class rank combinations are as follows:

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<th>High School Class Rank Percentile</th>
<th>ACT Composite Standard Score</th>
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Admitted students are expected to have followed a college-preparatory curriculum that includes at least 17 units of credit (with each unit equaling one year in class), as follows:

- Four units of English, one of which may be in speech or debate (two units emphasizing composition or writing skills are required).
- Four units of mathematics (Algebra I or higher). This requirement may be satisfied by the completion of courses in middle school, junior high or senior high.
- Three units of science (not including General Science). The three units of science must include a laboratory course and must include units from at least two of the following areas: physical science, biology, physics, chemistry and earth sciences. This requirement may be satisfied by the completion of courses in middle school, junior high or senior high.
- Three units of social studies.
- One unit of fine arts, to be taken in visual arts, music (e.g., band, orchestra, music appreciation, music theory), dance or theater.
- Two units of a single foreign language or American sign language. This requirement may be satisfied by completion of courses in middle school, junior high or senior high.

Missouri Enhanced Admission

Any student attending a Missouri high school who ranks in the top 10 percent of his or her graduating class and completes the college preparatory curriculum which includes at least 17 units of credit (four units of English, four units of math, three units of social studies, three units of science, two units of foreign language and one unit of fine art), will be eligible for automatic admission to any of the University of Missouri campuses. An ACT/SAT score is required to be submitted by each student who applies to the University.

Further, any student who graduates from a school that does not rank its graduates, but who has taken a college preparatory curriculum which includes the 17 units of credit noted above and who achieves a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale in these core courses will be eligible for automatic admission to any of the University of Missouri campuses. Again, an ACT/SAT score has to be submitted by each student who applies to the University.

Additional Freshmen Admission Considerations

The University seeks a heterogeneous body reflecting diversity of race, ethnicity, age, geography (national and international) and talent. Factors given prime consideration for admission to undergraduate study are an applicant’s previous academic success and the quality of the record submitted. Additional factors may include:

- Extensive extracurricular activity involving school, church or community.
- Outstanding talent and/or ability.
- Number and scope of college preparatory courses.
- Evidence of marked improvement over time in the applicant’s high school academic record.
- Significant work experience and/or family responsibilities.
- Supporting evidence attesting to one or more of the above, submitted by the student.
Additional Requirements
Applicants for the Conservatory (http://catalog.umkc.edu/colleges-schools/conservatory), Engineering programs (http://catalog.umkc.edu/colleges-schools/computing-engineering-school-of), School of Pharmacy (http://catalog.umkc.edu/colleges-schools/pharmacy-home-page), and baccalaureate/M.D combined programs should consult the appropriate sections of this catalog for additional requirements.

Freshmen not meeting the requirements for regular admission will be reviewed for Trial Admission (http://catalog.umkc.edu/undergraduate-academic-regulations-information/undergraduate-admission-policy-procedures/special-admission-cases).