

University of Central Missouri General Education Requirements

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Program Description

The Associate of Arts degree (A.A.) (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/archives/2025-26/degree/requirements/associate-arts/>) at JCCC is a general transfer degree and partners well with the first two years of most bachelor degree programs. Students who transfer to UCM with a JCCC Associate of Arts degree are considered to have met all 42 hours of UCM's General Education requirements, with the exception of Major/Minor-Required General Education courses and the Constitution Requirement (see explanations below). The elective hours within the A.A. allow students to complete additional general education and lower division courses required for specific majors/minors.

Students who transfer to UCM without a degree (or a degree other than an AA) will have all coursework evaluated on a course-by-course basis. JCCC students not completing the AA degree should refer to the tables in this document for JCCC General Education course equivalents and also the UCM catalog for any specific or additional General Education requirements for their UCM program of study.

NOTE: Courses taken to fulfill General Education requirements may not be taken on the pass/fail basis.

Major/Minor-Required General Education Courses: Some majors and minors require specific General Education courses. Additionally, some degree programs may require up to six additional hours of General Education depending on the math, science, and technology courses required. Visit the major/minor listing in the UCM catalog (<https://catalog.ucmo.edu/>) for major/minor-required General Education courses.

United States and Missouri Constitutions Requirement: Missouri state law requirement. Section 170.011 RSMO Supp (1988) requires that all students at public Missouri institutions have a course that teaches the constitutions of Missouri and the United States. The following courses in the UCM General Education program fulfill this requirement: HIST 1350 - History of the United States to 1877, HIST 1351 - History of the United States from 1877, HIST 1402 - History of the Modern World and POLS 1510 - American Government or POLS 2511 - State Government, and are denoted with a “#” in the General Education course listing. These courses must be taken from institutions in the state of Missouri. **Courses from out-of-state institutions which are articulated or substituted for these courses will not fulfill state law requirement Section 170.011 RSMO Supp (1988).** Students who have one of these courses from out of state or who have already fulfilled all nine hours of Knowledge Area III in the general education program may fulfill this requirement by passing an exam on the constitutions of the United States and of Missouri. This test is offered online, at no cost by the School of Social Sciences and Languages (Wood 203). Testing information can be obtained by calling 660-543-8840.

Missouri Higher Education Civics Achievement Examination Requirement (State Law Requirement, Section 170.013) went into effect Fall 2019 for students pursuing a degree at any public Missouri institution and requires that all students 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. The subject matter of the 50 question, multiple-choice test includes the US Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and other areas of government and American history. Students may fulfill this requirement by passing an exam offered in Blackboard or by providing proof on an official transcript of having passed the exam at another Missouri higher education institution. This test is offered online, at no cost. Students are encouraged to take and pass the test during their first semester at UCM. The test may be taken any number of times until a passing score of at least 70 percent is earned. When the test is passed the requirement will show as fulfilled on the Central Degree Audit and a notation will be added to the student's transcript. Students who have not passed the exam by the time they have reached 60 credit hours will have a hold on their account and be prevented from enrolling in future coursework until the exam is successfully passed. Questions about the content of the test may be referred to the School of Social Sciences and Languages (Wood 203, 660-543-8840). Testing information can be obtained by calling the Testing Center at 660-543-4919.

General Education Assessment Policy: All undergraduate students seeking a degree at UCM; except teacher education majors, RN-BS Nursing majors, and post-baccalaureate students (from UCM and transfer institutions); must, as a condition for graduation:

- Take the General Education Assessment (GEA), UCM currently utilizes The ETS Proficiency Profile, in the semester after which a total of 60 credit hours have been earned.
- Pass the GEA by obtaining a minimum score of 425 (based on a scaled score of 400-500)

Transfer students, with at least 60 credit hours, must test during their first semester at UCM.

Visit Exams (<http://www.registerblast.com/ucmo/>) to register for the GEA. Registration is also available through MyCentral. Click on the “student” tab, then the “Records and Registration” tab, then the “Register for a Test” link located in the “Testing Services” section. Complete the registration process as directed. Visit UCM Testing Services (<https://www.ucmo.edu/offices/testing-services/>) for complete information on the General Education Assessment Policy and requirements.

UCM Residence Requirement: Students should be cognizant of UCM's Residence Requirement, especially if completing more than 60 hours at JCCC.

Residence requirements establish a minimum number of credit hours which must be earned from UCM. Online courses and courses which are offered off campus but through UCM do count towards residence hours. Hours earned as SC or CR credit (AP/CLEP/IB/military credits/work experience) do not count towards residence hours. A candidate for any bachelor's degree must have earned the following minimum hours in residence at UCM:

- 30 hours overall
- 20 upper-level hours (3000/4000 level courses)
- 15 hours in the major
- 9 upper-level hours in the major
- 9 hours in the minor (if applicable)
- 1 upper-level hour in the minor (if applicable)
- the last 12 semester hours or any hours during the final semester required for the degree

UCM Upper-Level Requirement: Students should also be familiar with UCM's Upper-Level Requirement.

Upper-level credit is coursework completed at the 3000 and 4000 level. Hours earned as SC or CR credit (AP/CLEP/IB/military credits/work experience/prior learning) do not count towards upper level credit. Transfer credit will retain the leveling as designated by the original granting

It is the STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY to check for updates to all transfer information. This transfer guide is provided as a service and is updated as needed. Degree requirements at the four-year colleges are subject to change by those institutions. To ensure you have the most accurate information about the program, you must meet with an advisor at the transfer institution.

Program Requirements

Foundational Skills Area (11-12 hours – 4 courses must be taken to fulfill this area)

Course Code Code	Course Title Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code Hours	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Writing I (choose one)					
ENGL 121	Composition I*	3	ENGL 1020	Composition I	3
ENGL 119	College Composition I with Review*	5	ENGL 1020	Composition I	3
Writing II (choose one)					
ENGL 123	Technical Writing I*	3	CTE 2060	Technical Writing	3
ENGL 122	Composition II*	3	ENGL 1030	Composition II	3
Managing Information (choose one)					
CIS 124	Introduction to Computer Concepts and Applications	3	CTE 1210	Managing Info Using Comp Apps	2
CSS 128	PC Applications: MS Office	3	CIS 1600	Business Info Management	3
Communication (choose one)					
COMS 121	Public Speaking	3	COMM 1000	Public Speaking	3
COMS 125	Personal Communication	3	COMM 1000	Public Speaking	3

Knowledge Area I (9 hours - three courses total)

Course Code Code	Course Title Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code Hours	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Literature - 3 hours (choose one)					
ENGL 130	Introduction to Literature*	3	GNED 1909 Transferred Literature		
ENGL 214	Environmental Literature*	3	GNED 1909 Transferred Literature		
ENGL 216	African-American Literature*	3	GNED 1909 Transferred Literature		
ENGL 227	Introduction to Poetry*	3	ENGL 2010	Intro to Reading Poetry/ Drama	3
ENGL 230	Introduction to Fiction*	3	ENGL 2020	Intro to Reading Fiction	3
ENGL 232	Children's Literature*	3	GNED 1909 Transferred Literature		
ENGL 237	British Literature after 1800*	3	ENGL 2215	Intro to British Literature	3
ENGL 247	American Literature II*	3	ENGL 2205	Intro to American Literature	3
ENGL 251	World Literature to 1620*	3	ENGL 2220	Intro to World Literature	3
Fine Arts - 3 hours (choose one)					
ARTH 180	Art History: Ancient to Medieval	3	ART 1815	Art History Survey I	3

Select one of the following:

ARTH 182	Art History: Renaissance to Modern	3	ART 1800	Ideas and the Visual Arts	3
ARTH 186	Art History: Introduction to Asian Art	3	ART 1800	Ideas and the Visual Arts	3
ARTH 184	Art History: Twentieth Century	3	ART 1825	Art Hist Survey II	3
MUS 121	Introduction to Music Listening	3	MUS 1210	Experiencing Music	3
MUS 125	Introduction to Jazz Listening	3	MUS 1281	History Development of Jazz	3
MUS 126	Introduction to World Music	3	MUS 1225	Music of the World's Cultures	3
MUS 128	History of Rock and Roll Music	3	MUS 1220	The Evol of Pop Art: Intro Rock	3

Select one of the following:

MUS 151	Mixed Vocal Ensemble I*	1	MUS 1055	Collegiate Choir	0-1.500
MUS 152	Mixed Vocal Ensemble II*	1	MUS 1055	Collegiate Choir	0-1.500
MUS 153	Mixed Vocal Ensemble III*	1	MUS 1055	Collegiate Choir	0-1.500
MUS 154	Mixed Vocal Ensemble IV*	1	MUS 1055	Collegiate Choir	0-1.500

Select one of the following:

MUS 191	Concert Band I*	1	MUS 1010	Symphonic Band	0-1.500
MUS 192	Concert Band II*	1	MUS 1010	Symphonic Band	0-1.500
MUS 193	Concert Band III*	1	MUS 1010	Symphonic Band	0-1.500
MUS 194	Concert Band IV*	1	MUS 1010	Symphonic Band	0-1.500
THEA 120	Introduction to Theater	3	THEA 2400	Discovering Theatre	3

Languages and Humanities – 3 hours (choose one)

Course Code Code	Course Title Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code Hours	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Languages					
FL 120	Elementary German I	5	GER 1301	Elementary German I	3
FL 121	Elementary German II*	5	GER 1302	Elementary German II	3
FL 130	Elementary Spanish I	5	SPAN 1601	Elementary Spanish I	3
FL 131	Elementary Spanish II*	5	SPAN 1602	Elementary Spanish II	3
FL 140	Elementary French I	5	FREN 1201	Elementary French I	3
FL 141	Elementary French II*	5	FREN 1202	Elementary French II	3
FL 165	Elementary Chinese I	5	CHIN 1701	Elementary Chinese I	3
FL 166	Elementary Chinese II*	5	CHIN 1702	Elementary Chinese II	3
FL 170	Elementary Japanese I	5	ML 1040	Special Projects Modern Lang	1-3
FL 172	Conversational Japanese I*	2	ML 1040	Special Projects Modern Lang	1-3
FL 184	Conversational Japanese II*	2	ML 1040	Special Projects Modern Lang	1-3
FL 220	Intermediate German I*	3	GER 2301	Intermediate German	3
FL 221	Intermediate German II*	3	GER 2302	Intermediate German II	3

FL 230	Intermediate Spanish I*	3	SPAN 2601	Intermediate Spanish I	3
FL 231	Intermediate Spanish II*	3	SPAN 2602	Intermediate Spanish II	3
FL 240	Intermediate French I*	3	FREN 2201	Intermediate French I	3
FL 241	Intermediate French II*	3	FREN 2202	Intermediate French II	3
Humanities					
FMS 100	Intro to Film	3	COMM 3000	Film Appreciation	3
HUM 122	Introduction to Humanities	3	GNED 1910 General Education Humanities		
HUM 150	Islam: Religion and Civilization	3	GNED 1910 General Education Humanities		
HUM 155	Classical Mythology	3	GNED 1910 General Education Humanities		
PHIL 121	Introduction to Philosophy	3	PHIL 1000	Introduction to Philosophy	3
PHIL 124	Logic and Critical Thinking	3	PHIL 1410	Critical Thinking	3
PHIL 143	Ethics	3	PHIL 2300	Ethics	3
PHIL 176	Philosophy of Religion	3	GNED 1910 General Education Humanities		
WGS 201	Global Women's Studies	3	GSS 1050 Introduction to Gender Sexuality Studies		

Knowledge Area II (10 hours - three courses total) Two Science courses from different disciplines, one with a lab, and one Mathematics.

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title	Hours	Hours		
Natural Science with a Lab (4-5 hours - choose one)					
CHEM 120	Chemistry in Society*	4	GNED 1916 General Education Chemistry w/Lab		
CHEM 122	Principles of Chemistry*	5	CHEM 1104	General Chemistry I	4
CHEM 124 & CHEM 125	General Chemistry I Lecture* and General Chemistry I Lab*	4	CHEM 1131	General Chemistry I	5
EVRN 130 & EVRN 132	Environmental Science and Environmental Science Laboratory*	3	BIOL 1004	Intro to the Sciences:Ecology	4
GEOS 130	General Geology	5	GEOS 1004	Introduction to Geology	4
GEOS 160	Introduction to Meteorology	5	GNED 1918 Transferred Earth Sc w/Lab		
PHYS 130	College Physics I*	5	PHYS 1101	College Physics I	4
PSCI 120	Physical Science	4	GNED 1920 Transferred Phys w/Lab		
Natural Science Non-Lab (3 hours – choose one)					
ANTH 126	Physical Anthropology	3	ANTH 1810	Human Prehistory	3
BIOL 144	Human Anatomy and Physiology*	5	BIOL 2010	Human Biology	3
BIOL 205	General Genetics*	4	BIOL 2510	Basic Genetics	3
EVRN 130	Environmental Science	3	BIOL 1005	Intro to Environmental Science	3
EVRN 250	Bioethics in Science and Research*	3	GNED 1915 Transferred Biol w/NOLab		
EVRN 275	Nature, Law, and Environmental Protection*	3	GNED 1915 Transferred Biol w/NOLab		

GEOS 140	Physical Geography	3	GEOS 1100	Physical Geography	3
Mathematics (3 hours - choose one)					
MATH 151	Contemporary Mathematics*	3	GNED 1903 Transferred Mathematics		
MATH 161	Elementary Statistics*	3	ACST 1300	Basic Statistics	3
MATH 161	Elementary Statistics*	3	GNED 1903 Transferred Mathematics		
MATH 171	College Algebra*	3	MATH 1111	College Algebra	3
MATH 173	Precalculus*	5	MATH 1150	Pre-Calculus Mathematics	4-5
MATH 201	Statistics*	3	ACST 2310 Statistics Data Analysis		
MATH 231	Business and Applied Calculus I*	3	MATH 1131	Applied Calculus	3
MATH 241	Calculus I*	5	MATH 1151	Calculus I	5

Knowledge Area III (9 hours - three courses total)

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title	Hours			
US/Missouri Constitution (3 hours - choose one)					
HIST 140	U.S. History to 1877	3	HIST 1350	History of the U.S. to 1877	3
HIST 141	U.S. History Since 1877	3	HIST 1351	History of the U.S. from 1877	3
Select one of the following:					
HIST 126	Western Civilization: Scientific Revolution to the Modern Age	3	HIST 1402	History of the Modern World	3
HIST 152	World History: Modern World	3	HIST 1402	History of the Modern World	3
POLS 124	American National Government	3	POLS 1510	American Government	3
POLS 126	State and Local Government	3	POLS 2511	State Government	3

Social/Behavioral Sciences (6 hours – two courses)

Courses in the US/Missouri Constitution area that are not used to fulfill state law requirements may be used to fulfill remaining requirements for Knowledge Area III.

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title	Hours			
ANTH 125	Cultural Anthropology	3	ANTH 1820	Cultural Anthropology	3
ANTH 142	World Prehistory	3	GNED 1908 Social/Behavioral Science		
BUS 123	Personal Finance	3	FIN 1820	Personal Finance	3
CJ 121	Introduction to Criminal Justice System	3	CJ 1000	Intro to Criminal Justice	3
ECON 132	Survey of Economics	3	GNED 1908 Social/Behavioral Science		
ECON 230	Principles of Macroeconomics	3	ECON 1010	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ECON 231	Principles of Microeconomics	3	ECON 1011	Principles of Microeconomics	3

Select one of the following:

EDUC 221	Diversity, Equity and Inclusion for K-12 Educators	3	ECEL 2110	Diversity and Social Justice	3
SOC 180	Inequality and Diversity in The United States	3	ECEL 2110	Diversity and Social Justice	3
GEOS 145	World Regional Geography	3	GEOG 2212	World Geography	3
Select one of the following:					
HIST 125	Western Civilization: Ancient World to the Renaissance	3	HIST 1400	History of the Early World	3
HIST 151	World History: Traditional	3	HIST 1400	History of the Early World	3
Select one of the following:					
HIST 126	Western Civilization: Scientific Revolution to the Modern Age #	3	HIST 1402	History of the Modern World	3
HIST 152	World History: Modern World #	3	HIST 1402	History of the Modern World	3
HIST 129	Early Modern Europe 1500-1789	3	GNED 1907 Transferred History		
HIST 130	European History Since 1789	3	GNED 1907 Transferred History		
HIST 132	History of Africa	3	GNED 1907 Transferred History		
HIST 140	U.S. History to 1877 #	3	HIST 1350	History of the U.S. to 1877	3
HIST 141	U.S. History Since 1877 #	3	HIST 1351	History of the U.S. from 1877	3
HIST 143	Ancient Greece, the Near East and Egypt	3	GNED 1907 Transferred History		
HIST 150	Islam: Religion and Civilization	3	GNED 1907 Transferred History		
HIST 180	North American Indian History	3	GNED 1907 Transferred History		
HIST 200	Empires of the Silk Road	3	GNED 1907 Transferred History		
HIST 210	Environmental History of North America	3	GNED 1907 Transferred History		
HIST 250	American West	3	GNED 1907 Transferred History		
HPER 202	Personal Community Health	3	HLTH 1100	Personal Health	3
JOUR 120	Mass Media and Society	3	COMM 1200	Intro to Mass Communication	3
POLS 124	American National Government #	3	POLS 1510	American Government	3
POLS 126	State and Local Government #	3	POLS 2511	State Government	3
POLS 132	Introduction to Comparative Government	3	POLS 2520	Political Cultures of the Wrld	3
POLS 135	International Relations	3	POLS 2530	World Politics	3
POLS 200	Model United Nations	3	POLS 2535	Model United Nations	3



POLS 245	Introduction to Public Administration	3	GNED 1908 Transferred Social/Behavioral	
PSYC 130	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY 1100	General Psychology 3
PSYC 218	Human Development*	3	PSY 3220	Life-Span Development 3
PSYC 225	Educational Psychology*	3	EDFL 2240	Educational Psychology 3
SOC 122	Introduction to Sociology	3	SOC 1800	Introduction to Sociology 3
SOC 131	Sociology of Families	3	HDFS 1010	Individual/Family Relationship 3

Elective Area (3 hours) Choose any other additional course from above (Knowledge Area III)

- * JCCC course has a prerequisite or corequisite.
- # Meets Constitution Requirement

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