

Horticulture BS, Golf Course and Sports Turf Operations Specialization

Kansas State University

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Program Description

Golf Course and Sports Turf Operations Management

This program is designed to prepare for rewarding careers as the next generation of golf course superintendents and managers, and as turf managers for professional sports organizations, school districts, colleges and university grounds departments, and municipal park and recreation departments. The unique curriculum combines courses in business, communications, hospitality, and turfgrass management, along with two internships. Graduates are employed by golf courses, golf clubs, and other sports facilities all over the U.S. and world, as well as in industries allied to golf and turfgrass management.

This degree requires a minimum of 120 credit hours. No more than seventy-five hours may be transferred as credit from a community college.

JCCC General Education/Transfer Program

The Associate of Arts, AA (<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's degree programs. Students pursuing the AA may select courses that satisfy both the AA degree requirements and lower division requirements for a bachelor's degree at four-year institutions. The elective hours within the AA allow students to complete additional general education and lower division courses required for specific majors. The AA degree requires completion of 60 credit hours. Meeting with a JCCC counselor (<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/counseling/academic-counseling/>) is strongly recommended for the selection of appropriate courses.

Admission Requirements

- Applicants must first be admitted to Kansas State University either as an incoming freshman or a transfer student. To apply for admission to Kansas State University, complete an application (<https://www.k-state.edu/admissions/>) online and have official transcripts from all previous colleges sent directly to the Office of Admissions, Kansas State University, 119 Anderson Hall, Manhattan, KS, 66505-0102, or faxed to 785-532-6393 or emailed via electronic transcript service to Office of Admissions (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/transfer-guides/k-state/k-state-horticulture-golf-course/k-state@k-state.edu>) for review.
- For students transferring to K-State with fewer than 24 credit hours, please also send a final high school transcript and ACT or SAT scores.
- Students transferring to KSU, who complete the General Education requirements required for the Associate of Arts (AA) (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/archives/2025-26/degree-requirements/associate-arts/>), Associate of Fine Arts (AFA) (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/archives/2025-26/degree-requirements/associate-fine-arts/>) or Associate of Science (AS) (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/archives/2025-26/degree-requirements/associate-science/>) degree from JCCC will be considered to have satisfied KSU's core general education curriculum.
- Students who transfer to KSU, without completing the General Education requirements required for the Associate of Arts (AA) (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/archives/2025-26/degree-requirements/associate-arts/>), Associate of Fine Arts (AFA) (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/archives/2025-26/degree-requirements/associate-fine-arts/>) or Associate of Science (AS) (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/archives/2025-26/degree-requirements/associate-science/>) degree will have courses evaluated on a course-by-course basis toward meeting KSU requirements. To learn more about courses that satisfy KSU Core Requirements and KSU Transfer Equivalency Tool.
- Visit the KSU Core General Education Guide (<https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fnextcatalog.jccc.edu%2Ftransfer-guides%2Fk-state%2Fk-state-general-education&data=05%7C02%7Cskhalif2%40jccc.edu%7C3bbb8fc84564328cf7008de1320415e%7C15244239dcf245e7aefd127b69fc5438%7C1%7C0%7C638969226426376370%7CUnknown%7CTWfPbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUslIYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIslIAiOiJXaW4zMilslkFOljoitWFpbCIsIldUljoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=p6L6HF0HBpB3aL3uFUWnztw8qzBp%2FiSMV2qIS%2FvLwxE%3D&reserved=0>) for JCCC equivalents.
- Visit the KSU Catalog (<https://catalog.k-state.edu/>) for course descriptions and prerequisites.

The information below is a guide for students planning to take courses at JCCC that will apply toward the B.S. degree in Horticulture, specializing in Golf Course and Sports Turf Operations Management at K-State.

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

General Education K-State Core for Horticulture/Golf Course and Sports Turf Operations Specialization

K-State Core Requirements

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title	Hours			
K State Core English (https://catalog.jccc.edu/transfer-guides/k-state/k-state-general-education/) (2 courses)		6			
K State Core Communications (https://catalog.jccc.edu/transfer-guides/k-state/k-state-general-education/)		3			
K State Core Math and Statistics					
MATH 151	Contemporary Mathematics*	3	MATH 160	Intro to Contemporary Math	3
K State Core Natural and Physical Sciences					
BIOL 135	Principles of Cell and Molecular Biology	4	BIOL 198	Principles of Biology	4
K State Core Social and Behavioral Sciences (https://catalog.jccc.edu/transfer-guides/k-state/k-state-general-education/) (Select two courses in two subject areas.)					

K State Core Arts and Humanities (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/transfer-guides/k-state/k-state-general-education/>) (Select two courses in two subject areas.) 6

K State Core Free Elective Institutionally Designated Area (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/transfer-guides/k-state/k-state-general-education/>) # 6

Program Requirements

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
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ACCT 121 & ACCT 122	Accounting I and Accounting II*	3	ACCTG 241	Intro to Financial Accounting	3
ACCT 222	Managerial Accounting*	3	ACCTG 231	Intro to Managerial Accounting	3
BUS 241	Principles of Management	3	MANGT 220	Principles of Management	3
Select one of the following:					
CHEM 120	Chemistry in Society*	4	CHM 110 & CHM 111	General Chemistry and General Chemistry Lab	4
CHEM 122	Principles of Chemistry*	5	CHM 110 & CHM 111	General Chemistry and General Chemistry Lab	4
Select one of the following:					
ECON 230	Principles of Macroeconomics **	3	ECON 110	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ECON 231	Principles of Microeconomics **	3	ECON 120	Principles of Microeconomics	3
HMG 123	Professional Cooking I* ^	3	HM 341	Principles Food Prod Managemnt	3
HMG 279	Beverage Control ^	3	HM 440	Beverage Management	3
HORT 201	Introduction to Horticultural Science	4	HORT 201	Prin of Horticultural Science	4
HORT 205	Plant Propagation*	3	HORT 350	Plant Propagation	3
HORT 214	Woody Plants, Deciduous #	3	HORT 375	Landscape Plants II	3
HORT 215	Woody Plants, Evergreens	3	HORT 274	Landscape Plants I	
MKT 230	Marketing	3	MKTG 250	Introduction to Marketing	3
K State Communications Elective: 3					
Select one of the following:					
ENGL 222	Advanced Composition: The Art of the Essay*	3	ENGL 300	Expository Writing III	3
ENGL 223	Introduction to Creative Writing*	3	ENGL 461	Intro to Fiction Writing	3
ENGL 232	Children's Literature*	3	ENGL 355	Literature for Children	3



ENGL 246	American Literature I*	3	ENGL 381	American Survey I	3
ENGL 247	American Literature II*	3	ENGL 382	American Survey II	3
ENGL 252	Introduction to Shakespeare*	3	ENGL 350	Intro to Shakespeare	3
JCCC Foreign Language (FL) Courses (https://catalog.jccc.edu/coursedescriptions/fl/)		3			

- * JCCC course has a prerequisite or corequisite.
- ** Students pursuing a K-State Business Minor should take K-State ECON 120 (JCCC ECON 231) as it is the prerequisite for K-State FINAN 450.
- # Any 100 or 200-level courses may apply.
- ^ Hospitality Management Elective
- # Horticulture Elective

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