

KU Core 34 General Education Requirements

University of Kansas

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In the 2024-25 academic year, The Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR) approved the Systemwide General Education Framework. It is comprised of 34-35 credit hours organized in six discipline-based "buckets" and an institutionally designed bucket. A student who satisfies all seven buckets will complete the systemwide GE program. Please note this framework applies to the completion of the Associate of Arts (AA) (https://catalog.jccc.edu/degree requirements/associate-arts/), Associate of Fine Arts (AFA) (https://catalog.jccc.edu/degree requirements/associate-fine-arts/), and Associate of Science (AS) (https://catalog.jccc.edu/degree requirements/associate-science/) degrees only. Students that have not completed the General Education requirements for the AA, AFA, or AS, will have coursework reviewed on a course-by-course basis. The Associate of Applied Science (AAS) (https://catalog.jccc.edu/degree requirements/associate-applied-science/) degree and the Associate of General Studies (AGS) (https://catalog.jccc.edu/degree requirements/associate-general-studies/) degree do not apply to the KBOR Systemwide General Education Framework. Please see your JCCC Counselor if you are pursuing the AAS or AGS degree. The KU Core 34 is typically completed during the first two years of study. Courses required for a degree program may simultaneously satisfy a KU Core 34 requirement. A KU Core 34 credit can be earned through a single approved course and/or a pre-approved educational experience. ^Students are encouraged to complete a 3-credit hour social responsibility/ethics course as part of their Arts & Humanities 6-hour requirement. These courses are designated with a caret (^) in the Arts & Humanities course list below.	

English Bucket – 6 hours required – KU Core 34 code: ENG

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title	Hours			
Select one of the following:					
ENGL 119	College Composition I with Review*	3	ENGL 101	Composition	3
ENGL 121	Composition I*	3	ENGL 101	Composition	3
Select one of the following:					
ENGL 122	Composition II*	3	ENGL 102	Critical Reading and Writing	3
ENGL 122	Composition II*	3	ENGL 105	Honors Introduction to English	3

Communications Bucket – 3 hours required – KU Core 34 code: CMS

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title		Hours		
COMS 120	Interpersonal Communication	3	COMS 144 & COMS 244	Interpersonal Communication and Intro to Interpersonal Comm Th	3
COMS 121	Public Speaking	3	COMS 130 Public Speaking		

Mathematics & Statistics Bucket – 3 hours required – KU Core 34 code: MTS

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title		Hours		
ACCT 122	Accounting II*	3	ACCT 200	Fund of Financial Accounting	4
BUS 123	Personal Finance	3	FIN 101	Personal Finance	3
Select one of the following:					
MATH 151	Contemporary Mathematics*	3	MATH 105	Intro Quantitative Reasoning	3
MATH 175	Discrete Mathematics and its Applications*	3	MATH 105	Intro Quantitative Reasoning	3
MATH 161	Elementary Statistics*	3	MATH 107 Introductory Statistics		
MATH 171	College Algebra*	3	MATH 101	College Algebra	3
MATH 173	Precalculus*	5	MATH 104	Precalculus Mathematics	5
MATH 201	Statistics*	3	MATH 365 Elementary Statistics		
MATH 231	Business and Applied Calculus I*	3	MATH 115	Calculus I	3
Select one of the following:					
MATH 241	Calculus I*	5	MATH 125	Calculus I	4
MATH 241	Calculus I*	5	MATH 145	"Calculus I, Honors"	4
Select one of the following:					
MATH 242	Calculus II*	5	MATH 126	Calculus II	4
MATH 242	Calculus II*	5	Math 146 Calculus II, Honors		
MATH 243	Calculus III*	5	MATH 127 & MATH 147	Calculus III and "Calculus III, Honors"	4
MATH 254	Differential Equations*	4	MATH 220	Analytic Geometry Calc I	4
PHYS 191	Math and Physics for Games I*	4	No KU equivalent, but counts as MATH MTS		
PSYC 209	Statistics in Psychological Research*	3	PSYC 210 Playing the Odds: Reasoning, Chance, and Probability		

Natural & Physical Sciences Bucket – 4-5 hours required from One Subject (must include a lab) - KU Core 34 code: NPS/NLEC/NLAB

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title		Hours		
ASTR 120	Fundamentals of Astronomy	3	ASTR 191	Contemporary Astronomy	3

ASTR 122	Astronomy	4	ASTR 191 & ASTR 196	Contemporary Astronomy and Contemporary Astronomy Lab	4
BIOL 121	Introductory Biology for Non-Majors	4	BIOL 100 & BIOL 102	Principles of Biology and Principles of Biology Lab	4
BIOL 125	General Botany	5	No KU equivalent, but counts as BIOL NPS		
BIOL 127	General Zoology	5	No KU equivalent, but counts as BIOL NPS		
BIOL 135	Principles of Cell and Molecular Biology	4	BIOL 150, BIOL 154		
BIOL 140	Human Anatomy	4	BIOL 240, BIOL 241		
BIOL 144	Human Anatomy and Physiology*	5	No KU equivalent, but counts as BIOL NPS		
BIOL 150	Biology of Organisms*	5	BIOL 152 AND No KU equivalent, but counts as BIOL NLAB		
BIOL 225	Human Physiology*	4	BIOL 246 & BIOL 247	Principles of Human Physiology and Prin of Human Physiology Lab	5
BIOL 230 & BIOL 231	Microbiology* and Microbiology Lab*	5	BIOL 200 & BIOL 203	Basic Microbiology and Introductory Microbiology Lab	5
CHEM 120	Chemistry in Society*	4	No KU equivalent, but counts as CHEM NPS		
CHEM 122	Principles of Chemistry*	5	CHEM 110	Introductory Chemistry	5
CHEM 124 & CHEM 125	General Chemistry I Lecture* and General Chemistry I Lab*	5	CHEM 130	General Chemistry I	5
CHEM 131 & CHEM 132	General Chemistry II Lecture* and General Chemistry II Lab*	5	CHEM 135	General Chemistry II	5
CHEM 220	Organic Chemistry I*	5	CHEM 330 AND CHEM 331 Organic Chemistry I Laboratory		
EVNR 124	Oceanus: Essentials of Oceanography	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as GEOL NLEC		
EVNR 130	Environmental Science	3	EVNR 140	Global Environment I	3-5
EVNR 132	Environmental Science Laboratory*	2	EVNR 160 Environmental Solutions		
GEOS 130	General Geology	5	GEOL 101 & GEOL 103	The Way The Earth Works and Geology Fundamentals Lab	5
GEOS 140 & GEOS 141	Physical Geography and Physical Geography Lab*	5	GEOG 104 & GEOG 105	Intro to Physical Geography and Intro Lab Phys Geography	5
GEOS 160	Introduction to Meteorology	5	ATMO 105	Introductory Meteorology	5
PHYS 130	College Physics I*	5	PHSX 114	College Physics I	4
PHYS 131	College Physics II*	5	PHSX 115	College Physics II	4
PHYS 220	Engineering Physics I*	5	PHSX 211 & PHSX 216	General Physics I Lecture and General Physics I Laboratory	5



PHYS 221	Engineering Physics II*	5	PHSX 212 & PHSX 236	General Physics II Lecture and General Physics II Laboratory	4
PSCI 120	Physical Science	4	No KU equivalent, but counts as PHSX NPS		

Social & Behavioral Sciences Bucket cont. – 6 hours required in at least Two Courses from Two Subject Areas - KU Core 34 code: SBS

Course Code Code	Course Title Title	Course Hours Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
ANTH 125	Cultural Anthropology	3	ANTH 108	Intro to Cultural Anthropology	3-4
ANTH 126	Physical Anthropology	3	ANTH 304	Fund of Biological Anthropolgy	3-4
ANTH 144	Archaeology	3	ANTH 110	Introduction to Archaeology	3-4
ANTH 165	Linguistic Anthropology	3	ANTH 320	Language in Culture Society	3
ANTH 220	Food and Society	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as ANTH SBS		
ARCH 220	Sustainability in the Built Environment	3	UBPL 200	Sustainability and Society	3
CJ 121	Introduction to Criminal Justice System +	3	CRIM 300	Intro to Criminal Justice	3
CJ 141	Criminal Law	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as CRIM SBS		
ECON 132	Survey of Economics	3	ECON 104	Introductory Economics	4
ECON 230	Principles of Macroeconomics	3	ECON 144	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ECON 231	Principles of Microeconomics	3	ECON 142	Principles of Microeconomics	3
GEOS 145	World Regional Geography	3	GEOG 100	World Geography Globalization	3
GEOS 155	Human Geography	3	GEOG 102	"People, Place and Society"	3
HIST 137	African American History	3	AAAS 104	Intro to African Amer Studies	3
HIST 150	Islam: Religion and Civilization	3	AAAS 102	Arabic and Islamic Studies	3
POLS 122	Political Science	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as POLS SBS		
POLS 124	American National Government	3	POLS 110	Introduction to US Politics	3
POLS 126	State and Local Government	3	POLS 313	Comparative US State Politics	3
POLS 132	Introduction to Comparative Government	3	POLS 150	Intro to Comparative Politics	3
POLS 135	International Relations	3	POLS 170	Intro to Internationl Politics	3
POLS 192	Political Theory	3	POLS 301	Intro to Political Theory	3
POLS 220	Introduction to Public Policy	3	POLS 320	Developing World	3
Select one of the following:					
PSYC 130	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSYC 104	General Psychology	3

PSYC 130	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSYC 105	General Psychology Honors	3
PSYC 215	Child Development*	3	EPSY 305	Developmnt/Learning of Child	3
PSYC 218	Human Development*	3	PSYC 250	Human Development	
SOC 122	Introduction to Sociology	3	SOC 104	Elements of Sociology	3
SOC 125	Social Problems	3	SOC 160	Social Problems Amer Values	3
SOC 131	Sociology of Families	3	SOC 220	Sociology of Families	
SOC 146	Introduction to Social Work and Social Welfare	3	SW 220	"Social Wrk, Soc Welfare, US"	3
SOC 180	Inequality and Diversity in The United States	3	AMS 110	American Identities	3
WGS 201	Global Women's Studies	3	WGSS 101	"Intro Women, Gender, Sexuality"	3

Arts & Humanities Bucket - 6 hours required in at least Two Courses from Two Subject Areas - KU Core 34 code: AH

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title	Hours			
ARCH 244	Architectural History Before the Modern Era +	3	ARCH 340	Global History of Arch I	3
ART 130	Drawing I	3	ART 101	Drawing I	3
ART 145	Sculpture I	3	ART 122	Fundamentals of Sculpture	
ART 148	Metal and Silversmithing I	3	ART 132	Fund of Metalsmithing/ Jewelry	3
ARTH 180	Art History: Ancient to Medieval	3	HA 150	Hist Western Art: Ancient-Medi	3
ARTH 182	Art History: Renaissance to Modern	3	HA 151	Hist Western Art: Ren-Contemp	3
ARTH 184	Art History: Twentieth Century	3	HA 261	Introduction to Modern Art	3
ENGL 130	Introduction to Literature*	3	ENGL 100	Expository Writing I	3
ENGL 205	Bible as Literature*	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as ENGL AH		
ENGL 217	Literature by Women*	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as ENGL AH		
ENGL 222	Advanced Composition: The Art of the Essay*	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as ENGL AH		
ENGL 223	Introduction to Creative Writing*	3	ENGL 220	Intro to Creative Writing	3
ENGL 227	Introduction to Poetry*	3	ENGL 210	Introduction to Poetry	3
ENGL 230	Introduction to Fiction*	3	ENGL 209	Introduction to Fiction	3
ENGL 236	British Literature to 1800*	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as ENGL AH		
ENGL 237	British Literature after 1800*	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as ENGL AH		
ENGL 243	Literature of Science Fiction*	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as ENGL AH		
ENGL 244	Literature of American Popular Music*	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as ENGL AH		
ENGL 246	American Literature I*	3	ENGL 320	American Literature I	3



ENGL 247	American Literature II*	3	ENGL 322	American Literature II	3
ENGL 251	World Literature to 1620*	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as ENGL AH		
ENGL 252	Introduction to Shakespeare*	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as ENGL AH		
FL 130	Elementary Spanish I	5	SPAN 104	Elementary Spanish I	5
FL 131	Elementary Spanish II*	5	SPAN 108	Elementary Spanish II	5
FL 140	Elementary French I	5	FREN 110	Elementary French I	5
FL 141	Elementary French II*	5	FREN 120	Elementary French II	5
FL 230	Intermediate Spanish I*	3	SPAN 212	Intermediate Spanish I	3
FMS 100	Intro to Film	3	PHOT 101 Fundamentals of Photography		
HIST 140	U.S. History to 1877	3	HIST 128	Hist of US Through Civil War	3
HIST 141	U.S. History Since 1877	3	HIST 129	Hist of the US After Civil War	3
HIST 143	Ancient Greece, the Near East and Egypt	3	HIST 105	Intro Ancnt Near East/ Grk Hist	3
HIST 145	History of Ancient Rome	3	HIST 106	Intro to Roman History	3
HIST 151	World History: Traditional	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as HIST AH		
HIST 152	World History: Modern World	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as HIST AH		
HIST 162	Modern Latin America	3	HIST 121	Modern Latin America	3
HIST 250	American West	3	HIST 357	History of the American West	3
HUM 122	Introduction to Humanities	3	HUM 110	Introduction to Humanities	3
HUM 145	World Humanities: Ancient to Medieval	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as HUM AH		
HUM 146	World Humanities: Renaissance to Modern	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as HUM AH		
JOUR 120	Mass Media and Society	3	JMC 101	Media and Society	3
MUS 121	Introduction to Music Listening	3	MUSC 136	Understanding Music	3
MUS 124	Basic Music for the Elementary Classroom	2	MEMT 341 Instructional Strategies in Music for Elementary Classroom Teachers		
MUS 128	History of Rock and Roll Music +	3	MUSC 309	History of Rock and Roll	3
PHIL 121	Introduction to Philosophy	3	PHIL 140 Introduction to Philosophy		
PHIL 124	Logic and Critical Thinking	3	PHIL 148	Reason and Argument	3
PHIL 128	Environmental Ethics	3	PHIL 380	Environmental Ethics	3
PHIL 140	Business Ethics +	3	PHIL 360 Moral Issues in Business		
PHIL 143	Ethics	3	PHIL 160	Introduction to Ethics	3
PHIL 154	History of Ancient Philosophy	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as PHIL AH		
PHIL 176	Philosophy of Religion	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as PHIL AH		
PHIL 210	History of Modern Philosophy	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as PHIL AH		
REL 120	Exploring World Religions	3	REL 104	Intro to Religious Studies	3

THEA 120	Introduction to Theater	3	THR 100	Introduction to the Theatre	3
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Select one of the following:

THEA 121	Fundamentals of Acting	3	THR 106	Acting I	3
THEA 130	Acting I*	3	THR 106	Acting I	3
THEA 145	Introduction to Theater Design	3	THR 215	Approaching Design	3

Institutionally Designated Bucket – 6 hours required (U.S. Culture – 3 hours, Global Culture – 3 hours)

U.S. Culture - KU Core 34 code: USC

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title		Hours		
ANTH 134	Native Americans	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as HIST USC		
ANTH 135	American Indian Art	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as HIST USC		
ENGL 216	African-American Literature*	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as ENGL USC		
HIST 180	North American Indian History	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as HIST USC		
MUS 125	Introduction to Jazz Listening	3	MUSC 298	Introduction to Jazz	3

Global Culture - KU Core 34 code: GLBC

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title		Hours		
ANTH 130	World Cultures	3	ANTH 160	The Varieties of Human Exper	3
ANTH 150	People and Cultures of Mesoamerica %	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as ANTH GLBC		
ANTH 160	Medical Anthropology	3	GIST 210	Culture and Health	3
ARTH 186	Art History: Introduction to Asian Art	3	HA 166	The Visual Arts of East Asia	3
FL 120	Elementary German I	5	GERM 104	Elementary German I	5
FL 121	Elementary German II*	5	GERM 108	Elementary German II	5
FL 220	Intermediate German I*	3	GERM 201	Intermediate German I	3
FL 221	Intermediate German II*	3	GERM 202	Intermediate German II	3
FL 231	Intermediate Spanish II*	3	SPAN 216	Intermediate Spanish II	3
FL 240	Intermediate French I*	3	FREN 230	Intermediate French I	3
FL 241	Intermediate French II*	3	FREN 240	Intermediate French II	3
HIST 125	Western Civilization: Ancient World to the Renaissance	3	HUM 204 Western Civilization I		
HIST 126	Western Civilization: Scientific Revolution to the Modern Age	3	HUM 205 Western Civilization II		
HIST 132	History of Africa	3	AAAS 105	Introductn to African History	3
HIST 135	Eastern Civilization	3	ECIV 104	Eastern Civilizations	3
HIST 149	History of India %	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as HIST GLBC		
HIST 165	History of China	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as HIST GLBC		
HIST 167	Introduction to History: Japan %	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as HIST GLBC		

HIST 195	History of the Middle East %	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as HIST GLBC	
HIST 200	Empires of the Silk Road %	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as HIST GLBC	
HUM 137	Introduction to Russian Culture	3	SLAV 140	Intro to Russian Culture 3
HUM 155	Classical Mythology	3	CLSX 148	Greek and Roman Mythology 3
HUM 165	Introduction to Chinese Culture %	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as CHIN GLBC	
HUM 167	Introduction to Japanese Culture	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as EALC GLBC	
MUS 126	Introduction to World Music %	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as MUSC GLBC	
PHIL 142	History of Asian Philosophy %	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as PHIL GLBC	
REL 125	Asian Religions	3	REL 106	Asian Religions 3
REL 126	Religions of the West	3	REL 107	"Jews, Christians, Muslims" 3
WGS 220	The Many Women of Islam %	3	No KU equivalent, but counts as WGSS GLBC	

* JCCC course with registration requirements.

** All community college courses transfer as lower-level credit and do not count toward the 45 upper-level hours required for a KU bachelor's degree.

^ Students are encouraged to complete 3 credit hour social responsibility/ethics course as part of their Arts & Humanities 6-hour requirement.