

Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, Psychology

University of Missouri - Kansas City

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Program Descriptions:

The Associate of Arts, AA (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/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 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 selection of appropriate courses.

The School of Education, Social Work, and Psychological Sciences at UMKC offers the following degrees:

- Early Childhood Education, BA
- Elementary Education, BA
- Psychology, BA

All UMKC undergraduate degrees require at least 120 credit hours, some programs may require more hours. Students must complete at least 30 credit hours at UMKC and at least 12 upper-division credit hours in their major department/program at UMKC to be eligible to receive an undergraduate degree from UMKC.

General UMKC Transfer Admission Requirements:

- 2.0 or higher cumulative GPA.
- Credit/No-credit or Pass/Fail coursework may only be applied to elective coursework and will not apply towards UMKC's General Education Core or major requirements. requirements
- Equivalent courses may be repeated but all grades will be averaged for GPA calculation purposes, and students will only receive credit for one attempt.
- Visit Full transfer admission requirements (<https://www.umkc.edu/transfer/admissions/>) for more information.

Admission Requirements for the Teacher Education Professional Program:

- Transfer students need to have an overall GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in all coursework.
- Completion of all education courses with grades of "C" or better is required.
- Visit the Teacher Education Application (<https://seswps.umkc.edu/current-students/how-to-become-a-teacher/teacher-education-application.html>) for more information.
- **Students who are considering transferring to the UMKC School of Education, Social Work, and Psychological Sciences are encouraged to contact Danielle Wilson (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/transfer-guides/umkc/umkc-early-childhood-elementary-psychology/drwilson@umkc.edu>), to create a personalized academic plan to ensure a smooth transition to UMKC.**

General Education Requirements for Transfer students:

All UMKC undergraduate students complete general education requirements. Completing an Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree or the Associate of Science (A.S.) in General Sciences at JCCC will satisfy all general education requirements at UMKC, including the Constitution requirement. JCCC students transferring to UMKC without completing the A.A. or A.S. will have the option to elect to complete either the UMKC Essentials or the Missouri Transfer (MOTR) Core 42 curriculum to meet general education requirements.

To learn more about these two options and UMKC general education requirements, including how transfer coursework

applies visit the general education requirements (<https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fnextcatalog.jccc.edu%2Ftransfer-guides%2Fumkc%2Fumkc-general-education%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cskhalif2%40jccc.edu%7C3bbbe8fc84564328cf7008de1320415e%7C15244239dcf245e7aefd127b69fc5438%7C1%7C0%7C638969226426393815%7CUnknown%7CTWfPbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUslYiOilwLjAuMDAwMCIslIaiOjXaW4zMlslkFOljoiTWFpbClslldUljoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=%2FvPga7lbeZ0jRCeMsWei47YJU4Mi5k%2B50ooxjEZup4%3D&reserved=0>) **for more information.**

Early Childhood Education (BA)

This program is for those who want to be certified to teach or work with children from birth through age eight (3rd grade). This degree program places student teachers in one of our partner school districts and emphasis is on teaching within urban -and diverse settings.

Core 42 or General Education courses must be completed prior to Teacher Education admission.

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title	Hours			
Math Pathway <small>(one course)</small>					
Select one of the following:					
MATH 151	Contemporary Mathematics*	3	MATH 116 & MATH 150	Calculus II and Calculus I	5
MATH 161	Elementary Statistics*	3			
MATH 171	College Algebra*	3	MATH 110	"Math, Its Form and Impact"	3
MATH 173	Precalculus*	5	MATH 120	Precalculus	5

Any 200-level MATH or STAT course. ^{Visit} the UMKC transfer equivalency database for course options.

EDUC 121	Introduction to Teaching* OR MOTR (social science) courses	3	TCH-ED 160	Intro to Teaching	3
Introduction to Teaching OR 6 hours of MOTR Core 42 Social/Behavioral Sciences <small>Major Requirement</small>		6			
EDUC 130	Foundations of Early Childhood Education* Major Requirement	3	TCH-ED 440	Intro Early Childhood Educ	3
EDUC 220	Survey of the Exceptional Child* Major Requirement	3	TCH-ED 404	Educ Exceptional Child/Youth	3
EDUC 224	Technology in Education for K-12 Educators Major Requirement	3	TCH ED 385	Teaching/Learning w/ Technolgy	3
EDUC 250	Child Health, Safety and Nutrition* Major Requirement	3	TCH ED 203 & TCH-ED 203	"Health, Safety, and Nutrition" and Health/Safety/ Nutrition in ECE	3
ENGL 232	Children's Literature* OR MOTR (arts/ humn.) courses	3	TCH-ED 201	Children's Literature	3
Children's Literature OR 6 hours of MORE Core 42 Arts/Humanities <small>Major Requirement</small>		6			
MATH 210	Mathematics for Elementary Teachers I* <small>Major Requirement</small>	3	TCH-ED 130*# Children's Literature		
MOTR (sciences) courses		6			
PSYC 215	Child Development* Major Requirement	3	TCH-ED 400 Child Development		
PSYC 225	Educational Psychology* Major Requirement	3	TCH-ED 403	Educational Psychology	3

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Elementary Education (BA)

This program is for those who want to be certified to teach or work with children from grades 1 through 6. This degree program places student teachers in one of our nine partner school districts and emphasis is on teaching within urban and diverse settings.

Core 42 or General Education courses must be completed prior to Teacher Education admission.

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title	Hours			
Math Pathway (one course)					
Select one of the following:					
MATH 151	Contemporary Mathematics*	3	MATH 116 & MATH 150	Calculus II and Calculus I	5
MATH 161	Elementary Statistics*	3			
MATH 171	College Algebra*	3	MATH 110	"Math, Its Form and Impact"	3

MATH 173	Precalculus*	5	MATH 120	Precalculus	5
Any 200-level MATH or STAT course. Visit the UMKC transfer equivalency database for course options.					
EDUC 121	Introduction to Teaching* ^+ Major Requirement	3	TCH-ED 160	Intro to Teaching	3
OR 6 hours of MOTR Core 42 Social/Behavioral Sciences					
MOTR (social science) courses Major Requirement		6			
EDUC 220	Survey of the Exceptional Child* ^ Major Requirement	3	TCH-ED 404	Educ Exceptional Child/Youth	3
EDUC 224	Technology in Education for K-12 Educators Major Requirement	3	TCH ED 385	Teaching/Learning w/ Technolgy	3
ENGL 232	Children's Literature* ^ Major Requirement	3	TCH-ED 201	Children's Literature	3
MATH 210	Mathematics for Elementary Teachers I* (OR) ^+ Major Requirement	3	TCH-ED 130	Number Systems/ Related Topics	3
MOTR (sciences) courses Major Requirement		6			
MATH 212	Math for Elementary Teachers II* (OR) ^+ Major Requirement	3	TCH-ED 140	Geometry Elementary Teachers	3
MOTR (science) courses Major Requirement - Natural/Physical Sciences		6			
PSYC 215	Child Development* ^ Major Requirement	3	TCH-ED 400 Child Development		
PSYC 225	Educational Psychology* ^ Major Requirement	3	TCH-ED 403	Educational Psychology	3

Psychology (BA)

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title	Hours	Hours		
Math Pathway – Visit the general education requirements guide for course options. (one course)					
MATH 161	Elementary Statistics*)	3	STAT 115 (preferred		
PSYC 130	Introduction to Psychology Major Requirement ^General Education	3	PSYCH 210	General Psychology	3
PSYC 209	Statistics in Psychological Research* Major Requirement	3	PSYCH 316	Quantitative Methods in Psych	3
PSYC 210	Research Methods in Psychology* Major Requirement	3	PSYCH 302	Research Design in Psychology	3



PSYC 215	Child Development* Major Requirement ^General Education	3	PSYCH 222 Child Psychology
PSYC 220	Social Psychology* Major Requirement ^General Education	3	PSYCH 212 Social Psychology

- * JCCC course has a prerequisite or corequisite.
- ^ All general education courses and Teacher Education program courses listed in bold on this academic program map for transfer should be completed **prior** to admission to the Professional Program.
- # Early Childhood Education, BA degree - Students transferring with an Associate of Arts degree from any regionally accredited institution will be **waived** from TCH-ED 130, TCH-ED 160, and TCH-ED 201.
- + Elementary Education, BA degree – Students transferring with an Associate of Arts degree from any regionally accredited institution will be waived from TCH-ED 160 and will be required to take either TCH-ED 130 or TCH-ED 140.

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