



The Associate of Arts degree (A.A.) at JCCC is a general transfer degree and partners well with the first two years of most bachelor's degree programs. Students pursuing the A.A. may select courses that satisfy both the A.A. degree requirements and lower division requirements for a bachelor's degree at four-year institutions. The elective hours within the A.A. allow students to complete additional general education and lower division courses required for specific majors. The A.A. degree requires completion of 60 credit hours; please see [JCCC A.A. degree requirements](#). The maximum number of hours from a community college that will be applied toward a bachelor's degree at KU is 64. Meeting with a JCCC counselor is strongly recommended for selection of appropriate courses.

- The Elementary Education program prepares individuals to become teachers in Pre-K through 6th grade classrooms.
- Students can be admitted into teacher education programs as transfer students if they are admitted to KU, declare a teacher education program as their major, and meet the following criteria:
 - A KU + Transfer Cumulative GPA of at least 2.75
- Students must meet requirements to begin and progress through professional coursework blocks. For information regarding Transition Points #1-#4, click [here](#).
- Seventy-five credits may be transferred to KU from community colleges. Students should be aware that 45 junior/senior credit hours are required for completion of the bachelor's degree; 30 of those hours must be at KU; and community college courses do not transfer as junior/senior hours.
- Students must earn a grade of "C-" or higher in KU CORE 34 written and oral communication courses and quantitative literacy courses.
- No grade lower than a "C-" in any teacher education course.
- Only 6 hours of Credit/No Credit is allowed for general education courses. A student cannot take a class Credit/No Credit for any major requirement. Minimum total hours for graduation is 120.
- Effective Fall 2024: Students transferring to KU, with an AA, AFA or AS degree from JCCC will be considered to have satisfied KU's Core 34 general education curriculum.
- Effective Fall 2024: Students who transfer to KU, without completing AA, AFA or AS degree will have courses evaluated on a course-by-course basis toward meeting KU requirements. To learn more about courses that satisfy KU Core 34 requirements visit: <https://catalog.ku.edu/core34/> and <https://credittransfer.ku.edu/>
- KU's Core 34 General Education guide can be found [here](#).

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 up to date information about the program, it is imperative you meet with an advisor at the transfer institution.

BS in Elementary Education Requirements

KU Courses	Hrs	JCCC Courses	KU Core 34	Hrs
KU Core 34				
ENGL 101 Composition+	3	ENGL 121 Composition I*	ENG	3
ENGL 102 Critical Reading and Writing+	3	ENGL 122 Composition II*	ENG	3
COMS 130 Public Speaking+	3	COMS 121 Public Speaking	CMS	3
MATH 101 College Algebra+	3	MATH 171 College Algebra*	MTS	3
Core 34: Natural & Physical Sciences BIOL 100/102 Principles of Biology/Lab+	3/1	BIOL 121 Introductory Biology for Non-Majors	NPS/NLEC/ NLAB	4
Core 34: Social and Behavior Science (<i>Select two courses in two different disciplines – 6 hrs. total</i>) POLS 110 Introduction to U.S. Politics+	3	POLS 124 American National Gov.	SBS	3
EPSY 305 Development and Learning of the Child+	3	PSYC 215 Child Development*		3
Core 34: Arts and Humanities (<i>Select two courses in two different disciplines – 6 hrs. total</i>) HIST 128 History of the United States Through the Civil War+	3	See KU Core 34 General Education guide HIST 140 U.S. History to 1877	AH	3
Core 34: US Culture – Institutionally Designated	3	See KU Core 34 General Education guide	USC	3
Core 34: Global Culture - Institutionally Designated ANTH 160 The Varieties of Human Experience+ OR SOC 130 Comparative Societies+	3	ANTH 130 Medical Anthropology OR approved study abroad experience	GLBC	3
Program Requirements				
C&T 100 Introduction to Education Profession	3	EDUC 121 Introduction to Teaching*		3
SPED 326 Teaching Exceptional Children and Youth in General Education	3	EDUC 220 Survey of the Exceptional Child*		3
C&T 235 Cultural Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in K-12 Schools	3	EDUC 221 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion for K-12 Educators		3
C&T 301 Educational Technology in Elementary-Middle Education	3	EDUC 224 Technology in Education for K-12 Educators		3
C&T 344 Children’s Literature in the Elementary School (<i>Professional Block 1</i>)	3	ENGL 232 Children’s Literature*		3
GEOG 104 Introduction to Physical Geography	3	GEOS 140 Physical Geography		3
HSES 260 Personal and Community Health	3	HPER 202 Personal Community Health		3

* JCCC course has a prerequisite or corequisite.

^^This course is a Required major course and is also part of Core 34: Systemwide General Education. If this course is not taken to fulfill the Core 34:SGE requirement, it must be taken in place of elective hours.

+This course is a Recommended Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. This specific course is not required but is recommended by the program’s faculty.

#This course is a Required Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. This program is approved by the Kansas Board of Regents to require this specific Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. If a student did not take this course, it must be taken in addition to other degree requirements.