



Johnson County Community College  
**Transfer Program to the University of Missouri-  
Kansas City School of Dentistry – Pre-Dentistry  
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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 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 most four-year schools. **Completing an Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree or the Associate of Science (A.S.) at JCCC will satisfy all general education requirements for bachelor's degrees at UMKC, including the Constitution requirement. It is highly recommended that students complete the Associates degree prior to transfer to UMKC whenever possible. Meeting with a JCCC counselor is strongly recommended for selection of appropriate courses.**

The UMKC School of Dentistry offers the Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) program, which students may apply to join after completing 90 credit hours, including the prerequisites defined below. **Note: A completed bachelor's degree (Biology or Chemistry preferred) is required before beginning the UMKC DDS program.** Please refer to the JCCC to UMKC Biology/Chemistry Transfer Advising Guide at:  
<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/transfer/files/transfer-guides/umkc-biological-sciences.pdf>

**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 (*UMKC did allow Credit/No-credit or Pass/Fail for Spring 2020 coursework. Please see specific program for transfer guidelines.*)
- Equivalent courses may be repeated but all grades will be averaged for GPA calculation purposes, and students will only receive credit for one attempt.
- Full transfer admission requirements can be found at: <https://www.umkc.edu/transfer/apply.html>

**School of Dentistry Admission Requirements:**

- Completion of at least 90 college credit hours, including prerequisite courses (noted with \*\* below).
- *Please note: Biology & Chemistry coursework must be completed within 5 years prior to Fall admission entry date to School of Dentistry.*
- 3.0 minimum math/science GPA (3.4 or higher preferred)
- 16 DAT subscores minimum (17 or higher preferred)
- Complete DDS Application via the AADSAS (Associated American Dental Schools Application Service)  
<https://www.adea.org/GoDental/Apply/>

The admission process is a selective one. A number of variables will be considered: academic credentials, Dental Admission Test scores, letters of recommendation, investigation of dentistry, community service and your written responses to a series of questions. In addition, an "invitation only" interview is a part of the selection process. For more information please visit <https://dentistry.umkc.edu/academics/doctor-of-dental-surgery/admissions-criteria/>

**Application Deadline: September 1**

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**Recommended Transfer Courses:**

<b>UMKC Course</b>	<b>JCCC Course</b>
BIOLOGY 108/108L General Biology I/Lab**	BIOL 135 Principles of Cell & Molecular Biology
BIOLOGY 218/218L Human Anatomy with Lab**	BIOL 140 Human Anatomy
BIOLOGY 109/109L General Biology II	BIOL 150 Biology of Organisms*
BIOLOGY 316/217L Human Physiology/Lab**	BIOL 225 Human Physiology *
BIOLOGY 202 Cell Biology**	<i>No JCCC equivalent</i>
CHEM 211/211L General Chemistry I/Lab**	CHEM 124/125 General Chemistry I*/Lab*
CHEM 212R/212LR General Chemistry II/Lab**	CHEM 131/132 General Chemistry II*/Lab*
CHEM 321/321LOrganic Chemistry I w/Lab**	CHEM 220 Organic Chemistry I*
CHEM 322R/322L Organic Chemistry II w/Lab**	CHEM 221 Organic Chemistry II*
BIOLOGY 441 Biochemistry**	<i>No JCCC equivalent</i>
ENGLISH 110 Introduction to Academic Prose **	ENGL 121 Composition I*
ENGLISH 225 Intermediate Academic Prose**	ENGL 122 Composition II*
MATH 120 Precalculus	MATH 173 Precalculus* (or higher)
PHYSICS 210 General Physics I**	PHYS 130 College Physics I*
PHYSICS 220 General Physics II**	PHYS 131 College Physics II*

\* JCCC course has a prerequisite or corequisite.

**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.**