



UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS 2015 ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Frequently Asked Questions

If a student's application will be reviewed, should the student still apply?

Yes. All students should apply. If the student is denied, he or she can retake the ACT or SAT to try and improve.

Do students have to take specific social sciences?

It is recommended that coursework includes instruction in U.S. History, U.S. Government, and geography; however, if a student fulfills the social science requirements for graduation, it generally fulfills this requirement.

Do students have to take math in their senior year?

The math curriculum requirement is three years of math with the ACT/SAT college readiness math benchmark (22+ ACT/540+ SAT on math section) OR four years of math (with one year being in the senior year). The fourth unit may be prescribed by the school district and must be designed to prepare students for college. For Kansas students, the course must be on the approved list as determined by the Board of Regents (find link at admissions.ku.edu/regents-curriculum).

What if a student has taken three or four years of science but not specifically chemistry or physics?

The chemistry/physics requirement is one full year of chemistry or one full year of physics. One semester of each or a combination class including both does not fulfill this requirement. If the student has not taken chemistry or physics, the Board of Regents curriculum is not complete.

Where can students who attend high school in Kansas find the approved courses by the Board of Regents?

The Board of Regents website is kansasregents.org/approved_qualified_admissions_curricula_at_high_schools. KU also links to this site at admissions.ku.edu/regents-curriculum.

What does a conditional admit mean?

Students who do not meet the admission requirements will be considered for admission through the Board of Regents exceptions window and may be admitted as conditional admits. If a student is admitted as a conditional admit, information will be provided in the student's admit letter. For many conditional admit students, they must complete 24 credit hours with a 2.0 GPA their first year at KU.

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If a student is a conditional admit and retakes the ACT or SAT and get a 21 ACT (980 SAT), will the student's status change?

It depends if the student has completed the BOR curriculum. The student should submit updated scores to admissions.ku.edu/update.

Can a student take a college course to fulfill the Board of Regents curriculum?

Yes, if the course is comparable to the curriculum requirement. To be able to use the college course in the BOR curriculum, it must be on the high school transcript if taken before high school graduation. If the college course is taken after graduation, (e.g. summer) we can use the course from the college transcript to complete the curriculum. The college course must be completed before the first day of classes at KU, and the official transcript must be sent to KU.

If a student changes classes during senior year, should he or she send the changes to KU?

Yes. Please submit any changes as soon as possible to admissions.ku.edu/update so it can be added to the application.

What if a student is attending a non-accredited school or home-school? How does that student complete the curriculum?

Students can be admitted if they complete the coursework equivalent to the Qualified Admissions or Kansas Scholars curriculum with a 2.0 GPA (2.5 out-of-state GPA) and by achieving an ACT score of at least 21 or an SAT score of at least 980. If students enroll in college courses while they are in high school, it is also required that they achieve a 2.0 GPA (2.5 out-of-state GPA) or higher in those courses.

A student doesn't meet the 2015 requirements, but he or she does meet the 2016 requirements. Can this student be admitted?

Yes, but the Board of Regents curriculum must also be completed with a 2.0 or 2.5. A student may be admitted as conditional admit if the curriculum is not complete.

Additional questions regarding admissions requirements and individual admissions decisions can be directed to processing@ku.edu.

Remember: Students can submit changes to self-reported test scores, grades, or classes any time at admissions.ku.edu/update.

Questions? Let us know.

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