Admission options for first-year and transfer students

If you enter KU as a first-year student, you must enter one of these four schools. Eligible transfer students also may apply to enter these schools. Apply as early as possible. Some programs may fill before the deadlines. If you are undecided about your major, apply to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. **Months when semesters begin: Fall**—August; **Spring**—January; **Summer**—June **Deadlines for scholarships: Fall**—Dec. 1 for students attending three years and graduating from U.S. high schools; **Fall**—Jan. 15 for all others; **Spring**—Oct. 1 (depending on available funds)

School	Year	Admission requirements	Semester	Deadline
College of Liberal Arts & Sciences (CLAS)	● First-year student	● Earn a high school diploma with a college preparatory background and a 2.5 grade-point average (GPA) or the equivalent.	● **First-year applicants**	
			Fall	April 1
			Spring	October 1
			Summer	April 1
	■ Transfer student	■ When transfer work includes at least 24 credit hours from another institution, the student must have a 2.5 GPA and be eligible for readmission to any institution previously attended.	■ **Transfer applicants outside U.S.**	
			Fall	April 1
			Spring	October 1
			Summer	April 1
		Note: If you have taken any post-secondary studies after completing high school, you are considered a transfer student and must submit academic records from all schools attended.	■ **Transfer applicants in U.S.**	
			Fall	June 1
			Spring	November 15
			Summer	May 1
School of Architecture & Urban Planning including architectural engineering	● First-year student	● (1) Earn a high school diploma with a college preparatory background and a 3.5 GPA. (2) Take 3 years of science including physics; 3 years of math including trigonometry, precalculus, or calculus (preferred); and at least two art or drawing classes. (3) SAT math score of 600 required (SAT math score of 640 required for architectural engineering). *Admission is competitive. Consult the dean's office.*	● **First-year applicants**	
			Fall	February 1
			Spring	October 1
			Summer	February 1
			(priority deadlines)	
	■ Transfer student	■ Have at least 24 semester hours of credit with a 3.5 GPA at an accredited institution. Must have one semester of calculus and physics with grades of C or higher. *Admission is competitive. Early application is encouraged.*	■ **Transfer applicants**	
			Fall	February 1
			Spring	October 1
			Summer	February 1
School of Engineering except architectural engineering	● First-year student	● (1) Earn a high school diploma with a college preparatory background from an accredited institution. (2) Have a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale in high school. (3) Have an ACT math score of 22 or an SAT math score of 540 (for architectural engineering, computer engineering, computer science, and electrical engineering, a minimum ACT math score of 28 or a minimum SAT math score of 640 is required). (4) If you have had an educational gap of longer than one semester, please include an essay detailing your activity during that period of time. *Competitive admission: Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission. Selection is offered to best applicants in pool.*	● **First-year applicants**	
			Fall	April 1
			Spring	October 1
			Summer	April 1
	■ Transfer student	■ (1) Transfer applicants are evaluated on a case-by-case basis. (2) Have an overall minimum 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale in college. (3) Have a minimum ACT math score of 22 or a minimum SAT math score of 540 or grades of C or better in college calculus. (4) If you have had an educational gap of longer than one semester, please include an essay detailing your activity during that period of time. *Competitive admission: Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission. Selection is offered to best applicants in pool.*	■ **Transfer applicants**	
			Fall	April 1
			Spring	October 1
			Summer	April 1
School of Fine Arts	● First-year student	● Same as for CLAS. Music majors will be admitted to their specific majors after an audition. Art and Design majors must submit answers to three essay questions and portfolio of 10 to 20 images to the office of Art and Design.	● **First-year applicants**	
			Fall	
			Art & Design	December 1
			Music & Dance	February 1
			Spring	October 1
			Summer	December 1
	■ Transfer student	■ (1) Same as for CLAS, except students must have 3.0 GPA. Music majors will be admitted to their specific majors after an audition. Art and Design majors must submit answers to three essay questions and portfolio of 10 to 20 images to the office of Art and Design. (2) To transfer credit, performance majors must audition and visual arts majors must submit portfolios for review. *Consult the dean's office.*	■ **Transfer applicants**	
			Same as above	

GPA = cumulative grade-point average; A=4.0, B=3.0, C=2.0, D=1.0, F=0

A=excellent, 4 points
B=very good, 3 points
C=average, 2 points
D=poor but passing, 1 point
F=failing, 0 points

Conversion to the 4.0 scale will be determined by a KU admissions officer.

Admission options beyond the first-year level

First-year students who plan to enter the schools in this chart usually begin in CLAS and apply to these programs as sophomores, juniors, or seniors. Eligible transfer students also may apply to enter these schools. Apply as early as possible. Some programs may fill before the deadlines. **Months when semesters begin: Fall**—August; **Spring**—January; **Summer**—June
Deadlines for scholarships: Fall—Jan. 15; **Spring**—Oct. 1 (depending on available funds)

School	Year	Admission requirements	Semester	Deadline
CLAS majors in communication studies, English, political science, psychology, sociology, & Spanish	▲ Sophomore (30 to 45 hours)	▲ Apply for admission to KU. Complete an application for the major in the department office, meet specific GPA requirements in KU courses, and take certain prerequisites; not all students meeting minimum requirements are admitted. *For details, consult the academic department or Undergraduate Catalog, www.catalogs.ku.edu/undergraduate.*	▲ Deadlines vary by major.	
School of Allied Health	▲ Junior or Senior (entry levels vary by major)	▲ Admission does not occur until junior or senior year. Admission requirements and prerequisites vary by major. Consult a pre-allied health adviser during your first year at KU and contact program of interest as early as possible. *Contact the School of Allied Health for program information and required application form (see page 8).*	▲ Deadlines vary by major.	
School of Business	▲ Junior (60 hours or more)	▲ Apply to the School of Business *during the semester you will complete the preadmission requirements.* (1) Complete 60 college credit hours, including ACCT 200, ACCT 201, DSCI 301, IST 301, ECON 142, and ECON 144. Completion of the following courses is strongly recommended: PSYC 104 and one Society and Culture (SC) course. (2) Achieve a minimum *GPA of 2.5* in all course work, in all professional course work (business and economics classes), in course work completed at KU, and in professional course work completed at KU, excluding activity hours. (3) Submit official ACT or SAT exam scores and professional résumé. (4) Admission is competitive. Applicants satisfying minimum requirements are ranked based on ACT composite scores and GPA in all professional course work. Applicants are then admitted based on their position in this ranking and available space in the School of Business. *Students are encouraged to contact an adviser in the School of Business, 206 Summerfield Hall. Contact Business Student and Academic Services office for information (see page 8).*	▲ Fall Spring Summer	February 15 Sept. 15 February 15
School of Education	▲ Junior (45 hours or more)	▲ (1) Have a cumulative 2.5 GPA for health and physical education, or a 2.75 or higher GPA for all other majors, and (2) for teacher education programs, complete core of specific prerequisites with 2.75 GPA, and pass three sections of the Pre-Professional Skills Test before submitting application, and (3) complete requirements in the School of Education chapter of the KU *Undergraduate Catalog,* and (4) apply to education school by Feb. 1 for next academic year. *Admission in selective programs is competitive.* *Consult a pre-education adviser immediately upon entering KU.*	▲ **Teaching:** Fall No admission for summer or spring. ▲ **Nonteaching:** Fall Spring	 February 1 February 1 Sept. 15
School of Journalism & Mass Communications	▲ Sophomore or Junior (45 hours or more)	▲ Apply to the School of Journalism during the semester you will complete the preadmission requirements. (1) Complete 45 or more credit hours with minimum 2.5 GPA. *Admission is competitive based on GPA.* (2) Complete three required English courses and JOUR 101 with required GPA; COMS 130 or 230; humanities, social science, and economics courses; natural science laboratory course; first two levels of foreign language; and required math course (105, 106, 111, 115, 121, 141, or 365). *Contact the dean's office (see page 8).*	▲ Fall Spring Summer	February 1 Sept. 1 February 1
School of Nursing	▲ Junior (62 hours or more)	▲ (1) Have a 2.5 or higher GPA, and (2) take prerequisite courses, and (3) submit application available from the student affairs office. *Consult the prenursing adviser upon entering KU.* *Admission is competitive.*	▲ Fall No admission for summer or spring. Late applications considered if space permits.	October 1
School of Pharmacy	▲ Junior (68 hours or more)	▲ (1) Have a 2.5 or higher GPA, and take prerequisite courses. (2) Complete School of Pharmacy application form. (3) PCAT examination and interview are required. *Admission is competitive. Consult the dean's office.*	▲ Fall No admission for summer or spring.	January 15
School of Social Welfare	▲ Sophomore (30 hours or more)	▲ (1) Have a 2.5 or higher GPA, and (2) complete MATH 101, ENGL 101, and ENGL 102, and (3) submit application available from the dean's office. *Consult the presocial work adviser during your first year.*	▲ Fall Spring Summer	February 1 October 1 February 1