



# Academic Affairs Systemwide Initiatives

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# Systemwide General Education





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[General Education Exceptions and Extensions for Pittsburg State University](#) (pdf)

### General Education Deviations

KU - BS in Pharmaceutical Studies (for students enrolled in the Doctor of Pharmacy)

KUMC - BS in Clinical Laboratory Science

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[Elementary Ed \(PK-6\) Transfer Associate](#) (pdf)



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Systemwide General Education Verified Master Course List  
Emporia State University  
For Academic Year 2026

**Bucket: English** *Requirement: 6 Hours*

| Course ID | Course Title          | Section Hours | Subject Area |
|-----------|-----------------------|---------------|--------------|
| EG101     | COMPOSITION I         | 3             |              |
| EG102     | COMPOSITION II        | 3             |              |
| EG103     | HONORS COMPOSITION I  | 3             |              |
| EG104     | HONORS COMPOSITION II | 3             |              |

**Bucket: Communications** *Requirement: 3 Hours*

| Course ID | Course Title                | Section Hours | Subject Area |
|-----------|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| SP100     | INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION | 3             |              |
| SP101     | PUBLIC SPEAKING             | 3             |              |

**Bucket: Math and Statistics** *Requirement: 3 Hours*

| Course ID | Course Title                | Section Hours | Subject Area |
|-----------|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| MA110     | COLLEGE ALGEBRA             | 3             |              |
| MA111     | COLLEGE ALGEBRA WITH REVIEW | 5             |              |
| MA120     | ELEMENTARY STATISTICS       | 3             |              |
| MA156     | PRINCIPLES OF MATHEMATICS   | 3             |              |
| MA160     | PRECALCULUS                 | 4             |              |
| MA161     | CALCULUS I                  | 5             |              |
| MA165     | BASIC CALCULUS              | 5             |              |



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## ARCHIVED MASTER COURSE LISTS

Each year, colleges and universities in system update their Systemwide General Education Master Course lists (MCLs). Archived versions of prior years' MCLs are available below.

- [AY 2025 Archived Systemwide General Education Master Course List](#)



# Systemwide General Education (SWGE) Timeline for Updates to Master Course Lists (MCLs)

- We will email Chief Academic Officers in late October about updating the SWGE course lists for the *next* Academic Year (Fall '26/Spring '27)
- Institutions have until mid-January to finalize their MCLs with us
- All (26) updates go through the Systemwide General Education Council for verification (January and February meetings)
- Institutions are notified about verification of courses by March 1



# Systemwide Associate Degrees



# Systemwide Associate Degrees (“SWADs”)

- Elementary Education (PK-6)
  - Approved June 2023
  - Effective Fall 2024 (AY 2025)
- Business Administration, Management, & Operations; Computer Science; Pre-Bachelor of Science in Nursing; and Pre-Social Work
  - Approved June 2024
  - Effective Fall 2025 (AY 2026)
- All require universities to apply 60 credit hours to the corresponding baccalaureate degrees if SWAD was completed



# Systemwide Associate Degrees

- All SWADs require specific courses to be taken from the community college to fulfill general education requirements
  - (so that all 60 hours can be applied to the associated bachelor's program)
- See [https://www.kansasregents.gov/academic\\_affairs/systemwide-transfer-degrees](https://www.kansasregents.gov/academic_affairs/systemwide-transfer-degrees) for detailed information on requirements





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## SYSTEMWIDE TRANSFER DEGREES

Systemwide transfer degrees provides pathways from any Kansas public community college offering an associate degree in an approved program to any Kansas public university offering a baccalaureate degree in that program. To date, the Regents have approved pathways in five programs that are among the most popular transfer programs for students in the system - **Business, Computer Science, Elementary Education, Pre-Bachelor of Science in Nursing** and **Pre-Social Work**.

Each pathway identifies courses/credit hours taken at the community college level and reflects the [Kansas Board of Regents \(KBOR\) General Education framework buckets](#). The courses will transfer to any public university as the first sixty hours toward the articulated degree. The remaining credit hours at the universities are the required courses to complete the baccalaureate degree.

Learn more about the community college pathways for each of these programs at the pages below.



Business



Computer Science



Elementary Education



Nursing



Social Work





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The business systemwide transfer degree provides a pathway from any Kansas public community college offering an associate degree in business administration to any Kansas public university offering a baccalaureate degree in that program.

For more information about the available community college pathways for business administration, please refer to the Approved Degree Checklist below.

|                                                                           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <a href="#">Allen Community College - Business Administration</a>         |
| <a href="#">Barton Community College - Business Administration</a>        |
| <a href="#">Coffeyville Community College - Business Administration</a>   |
| <a href="#">Colby Community College - Business Administration</a>         |
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| <a href="#">Independence Community College - Business Administration</a>  |
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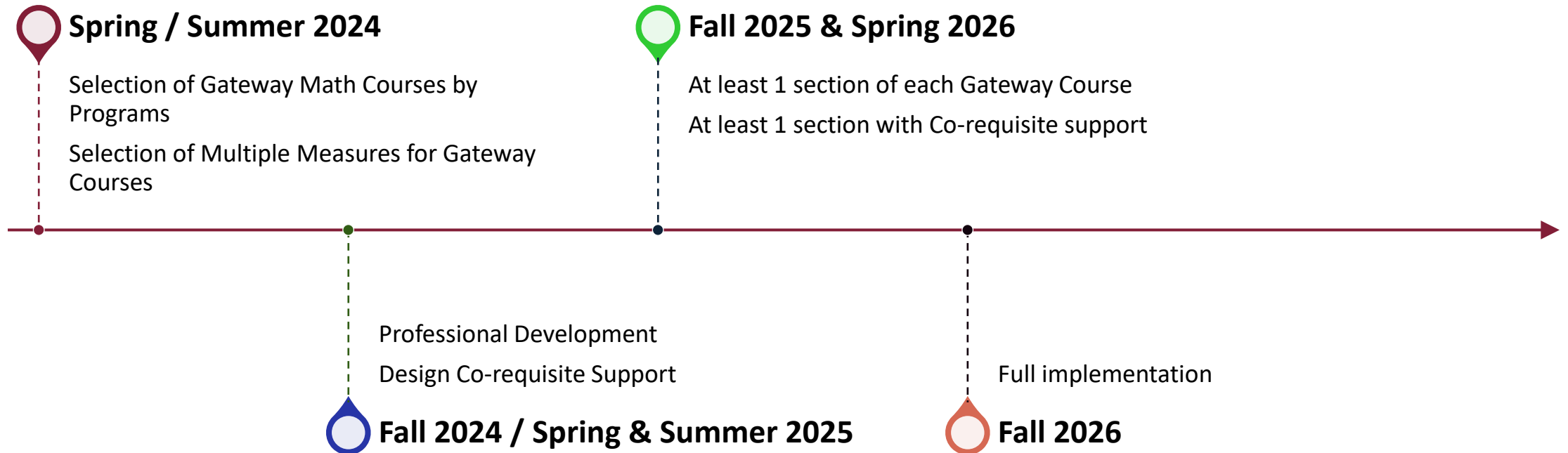


# Three Key Pieces

- Math General Education Courses Appropriate/Relevant to the Student's Major
- Corequisite Developmental Support Replaces Prerequisite Developmental Education
- Systemwide Multiple Placement Measures for Math and English Gateway Courses



# Math Pathways/English Initiatives Timeline



# Gateway Math Courses

- Elementary Statistics
- Contemporary Math
  - (aka “Essential Math” or “Quantitative Reasoning”)
- College Algebra

(Not necessarily applicable to technical AAS or certificate programs at community colleges and technical colleges – many of those will require technical math)





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## MATH PATHWAYS

### MATH PATHWAYS

#### 1. BACKGROUND OF KANSAS

Traditional postsecondary mathematics remediation that does not count for credit for students.

According to KBOR's [Developmental Education](#) course and a general education course, the Mathematical Association of America (MAA) states that math courses are the most significant barrier to college completion.

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### Gateway Math Courses by Gateway Math Course

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## College Algebra

Math ACT: 22 or higher OR

Math SAT: 540 or higher OR

ALEKS PPL: 46 or higher OR

Accuplacer QAS: 263 or higher OR

HS GPA and Course Grade: 3.25 cumulative GPA (unweighted)

And B- or higher in 2<sup>nd</sup> semester Algebra 2 or Integrated Math 3 OR

Institutional Measure (including professional discretion) OR

GED score of 165 OR

Institutional Measure

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## Contemporary Math / Elementary Statistics

Math ACT: 19 or higher OR

Math SAT: 510 or higher OR

ALEKS PPL: 30 or higher OR

Accuplacer QAS: 255 or higher OR

HS GPA and Course Grade: 3.00 cumulative GPA (unweighted)

And C- or higher in 2<sup>nd</sup> semester Algebra 2 or Integrated Math 3 OR

Institutional Measure (including professional discretion) OR

**GED Score of 160** OR

Institutional Measure

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ental support are both critical to the AY 2024 -  
s are underway.

## PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT &

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# English Comp I Placement

## English Composition I

18+ on ACT Reading AND ACT English; OR

500+ on SAT ERW (Evidence-based Reading and Writing); OR

255+ Accuplacer Reading AND Writing; OR

3.0+ high school cumulative unweighted GPA after five or more semesters; OR

16+ ACT Reading AND ACT English AND B or higher (not B-) in most recent high school English course; OR

2.7+ high school cumulative unweighted GPA after 5 or more semesters AND B or higher (not B-) in most recent high school English course OR

GED score of 160 OR

Institutional Measure

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# Gateway Course Placement and Developmental Education – Ch. III.A.14

- **Establishes** that there will be **standardized course placement** for Gateway Math and Gateway English courses (*based on recommendations from English & Math Course Placement Committees and approved by BAASC*)
- Defines “**Prerequisite developmental education**” as a prerequisite course to a gateway English or math course. These courses are not college-level, do not apply toward certificate or degree requirements, are not structured to allow the student to remediate and complete the gateway course within the same academic semester, and usually delay graduation. **Credit awarded for prerequisite developmental education courses shall not be used to fulfill requirements for associate or baccalaureate degrees.**

[https://www.kansasregents.gov/resources/09182025\\_Policy\\_Manual.pdf](https://www.kansasregents.gov/resources/09182025_Policy_Manual.pdf)



# Per the Policy,

## Corequisite Support:

- **Sections may be tailored for specific student groups and offered for different amounts of credit (up to three semester credit hours)**
- **Tuition and fees may be charged** as otherwise authorized for each institution's credit-bearing courses
- Credit awarded in corequisite developmental education sections shall not be used to fulfill requirements for associate or baccalaureate degrees (or certificates)

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# Reminder - Institutional Decisions

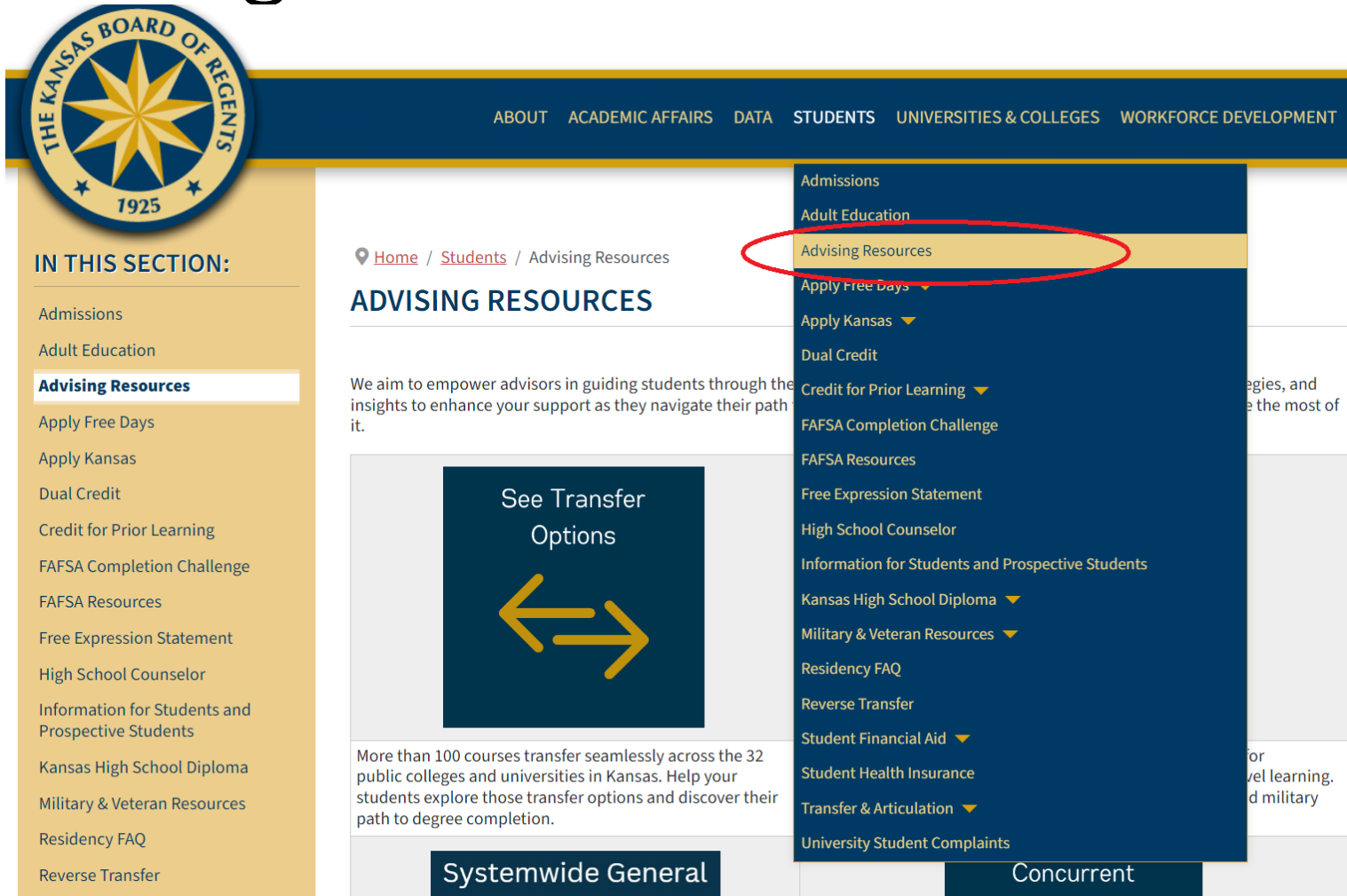
- Selection of *Any* Model from Policy (there are four)
- Nature of Course
  - Combined (e.g., 5 hours) or Stand-Alone Course (e.g., 3 hours and 2 hours)
  - Assignments & Grades
- Credit Hour Decisions
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## ACADEMIC DEGREE MAPS

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