Online Bachelor of General Studies
Liberal Arts & Sciences
Invest in yourself. Prepare for your future.

Did you know that, on average, people with a bachelor’s degree earn $1 million more than high school graduates during their lifetime?* A bachelor’s degree from KU can be your pathway to greater earning power, more professional responsibility and a successful career.

Our online Bachelor of General Studies – Liberal Arts & Sciences gives you the opportunity to earn a prestigious degree from the University of Kansas around your schedule. Delivered by our world-class faculty, the program offers the utmost flexibility while providing an education that stands up to the high standards that distinguish KU as an institution.

Why earn your bachelor's degree from the University of Kansas?

- 100% online
- Accredited and globally ranked
- Transfer credits accepted
- More than 344,000 alumni worldwide
- One of only 34 U.S. public institutions in the prestigious Association of American Universities


The University of Kansas is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission.

The University of Kansas is listed among U.S. News & World Report’s top national universities and best global universities.
Curriculum

The online Bachelor of General Studies – Liberal Arts & Sciences curriculum can be broken down into four components: KU Core, World Culture, Natural Science & Math, and Breadth. An evaluation of any transfer credits will determine what is required to complete the program.

Four Components of the Online Bachelor of General Studies – Liberal Arts & Sciences

I. **KU Core** – Consists of six learning outcome goals – one from each of the following areas:
   a. Critical Thinking & Quantitative Literacy (6 credit hours, 2 courses)
   b. Communication (9 credit hours, 3 courses)
   c. Breadth of Knowledge (9 credit hours, 3 courses)
   d. Culture & Diversity (6 credit hours, 2 courses)
   e. Social Responsibility & Ethics (3 credit hours, 1 course)
   f. Integration & Creativity (3 credit hours, 1 course)

II. **World Culture or Language** – Fulfilled by three courses (nine credit hours) in World Culture coursework beyond the KU Core, or two courses (three credit hours or more in a world language), or second-semester proficiency in a world language.

III. **Natural Science & Mathematics** – Fulfilled by two courses in Natural Science or Math beyond the KU Core.

IV. **Breadth in Liberal Arts & Sciences** – Fulfilled by coursework from 15 different departments within the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences.

*Students with an Associate of Arts degree from an accredited Kansas institution will be considered to have met KU Core Goals I-III.*

Capstone

The Online Bachelor of General Studies – Liberal Arts & Sciences features a specially designed Capstone course to help students use their KU education to develop their career. The Capstone course is designed to fulfill KU Core Goal 6: Integration & Creativity.

University Requirements

- All KU undergraduate students are required to take 120 overall credit hours of applicable degree credit.
- Of those 120 overall credit hours, 45 must be taken at the junior/senior (300+) level.
- Of those 45 junior/senior-level credit hours, 30 must be taken in residence at KU (*includes KU online*).
- A minimum GPA of 2.0 in KU coursework is required for graduation.

About KU

Founded in 1865, the University of Kansas is a comprehensive public research and teaching institution of more than 28,000 students and 2,600 faculty. KU has 13 schools and offers more than 370 degree programs to learners from all 50 states and 105 countries worldwide.