

# Transfer Guide Secondary Education

## Highland Community College

The Curriculum & Teaching Department at KU offers three teacher education programs for students interested in being licensed in secondary education. This guide will provide information about the Secondary Level English, History & Government, and Foreign Language teacher education programs available for students. The KU School of Education and Human Sciences also partners with various departments at KU to provide additional undergraduate teacher education program options. Please check the program websites often as additional information is frequently added.

Benefits of the program include:

- **Program Reputation** - The KU School of Education and Human Sciences, which recently ranked 9th in the nation according to *U.S. News & World Report's* Best Public Education Schools.
- **Field Experiences, Early & Often** - The teacher education program combines general education courses and professional education coursework with multiple field experiences at the secondary level in rural, urban, and suburban communities.
- **Dual Programming** - Coursework fulfills the requirements for a Bachelor's degree as well as initial teaching licensure in Kansas.
- **Teacher Licensure Options** - Students who successfully complete this program at KU may be eligible to take advantage of licensure endorsements options: TESOL or Special Education.
- **Nationally-accredited Program** - The KU School of Education and Human Sciences is accredited under the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) Standards through the CAEP Accreditation System.

This transfer guide provides important information and a sample two-semester plan for a student starting at Highland Community College and transferring to KU for the remaining coursework. In addition, we provide additional courses a student may choose to take at the community college prior to transferring to KU. It is important to note that Teacher Education at KU is a five-semester sequence after prerequisites/core courses are completed. Students are advised to consider transferring by spring of sophomore year, at the latest. We recommend consulting with one's adviser at Johnson County Community College and emailing us with any additional questions you have. See contact information at the bottom of this page.

## Secondary Education Admission Requirements

- 1 Step One: Admission to the University of Kansas**  
Apply to the University of Kansas by filling out a transfer application at [admissions.ku.edu](https://admissions.ku.edu). Gaining admission to the University of Kansas requires the submission of official college transcripts from all previously attended colleges/universities.
- 2 Step Two: Admission to the KU School of Education and Human Sciences**  
Select "School of Education and Human Sciences" as your school and "Secondary Education" as the degree you will be pursuing. Students should have a 2.75 PA or higher for their KU and KU + Transfer GPA to be considered for admission.

The following courses are recommendations to assist in the transfer process, but are not requirements for admission:

- ENGL 101
- ENGL 102
- COMS 130
- MATH 101 or 104
- GEOG 104
- C&T 100
- HIST 128
- GEOG 100 (For Hist & Govt)

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**English First Semester**

Composition, ENGL 101 (GE 21)	ENG 101	<input type="checkbox"/>
Speaker Audience Communication, COMS 130 (GE 22)	SP 106	<input type="checkbox"/>
College Algebra, MATH 101 <sup>1</sup> (GE 12)	MAT 104	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intro. to the Education Profession, C&T 100 (GE 11)	ED 110 & 101	<input type="checkbox"/>
Principles of Biology & Lab, BIOL 100 & 102 (GE 3N)	BS 101	<input type="checkbox"/>

**English Second Semester**

Critical Reading and Writing, ENGL 102 (GE 21)	ENG 102	<input type="checkbox"/>
Introductory English, ENGL 209, 210, 211 (GE 11)	ENG 207	<input type="checkbox"/>
American Literature, ENGL 320	ENG 202	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal and Community Health, HSES 260	PE 112	<input type="checkbox"/>
US History I or II, HIST 128 or HIST 129 (GE 3H)	HIS 101 or HIS 102	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Additional courses that may be completed if your community college offers them**

Principles of Physical Geography, GEOG 104 (GE 3N)	PS 105
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**Additional Notes for Transfer Students**

The Secondary English education program mixes literature-based theory and knowledge with culturally rich readings and discussions. Courses taught by the English Department offer students learning options in rhetoric, linguistics, and literature.

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- While additional courses have been included on this transfer guide it should be noted that due to prerequisites and course offerings if a student spends two years at a community college, the student may still have three years of courses to complete once at KU.
- Transfer credits with earned grades of D+ and below will not satisfy graduation requirements, but will be included in the transfer GPA. If a student takes a course and then repeats it at the same institution, KU will honor the course repeat policy in effect at the institution issuing the transcript.
- A bachelor’s degree must include 120 completed credit hours. A student may apply a maximum of 64 credit hours of community college coursework to a KU degree.
- Transfer courses may be matched to a course of opposite level at KU, but the level of credit is defined by the originating institution. (All community college courses are lower level.)
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**History and Government First Semester**

Composition, ENGL 101 (GE 21)		<input type="checkbox"/>
Speaker Audience Communication, COMS 130 (GE 22)	SP 106	<input type="checkbox"/>
College Algebra, MATH 101 <sup>1</sup> (GE 12)	MAT 104	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intro. to the Education Profession, C&T 100 (GE 11)	ED 110 & 101	<input type="checkbox"/>
History of US through Civil War, HIST 128 (GE 3H)	HIS 101	<input type="checkbox"/>

**History and Government Second Semester**

Critical Reading and Writing, ENGL 102 (GE 21)	ENG 102	<input type="checkbox"/>
History of the US after the Civil War, HIST 129 (GE 3H)	HIS 102	<input type="checkbox"/>
Principles of Physical Geography, GEOG 104 (GE 3N)	PS 105	<input type="checkbox"/>
World Regional Geography, GEOG 100 (AE 42)	GEO 212	<input type="checkbox"/>
Introduction to US Politics, POLS 110 (GE 3S)	POL 100	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Additional courses that may be completed if your community college offers them**

Introductory Economics, ECON 104 (GE 3S)	No Equivalent Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Introduction to Comparative Politics, POLS 150 (AE 42)	No Equivalent Course	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Additional Notes for Transfer Students**

The Secondary History and Government education program includes multiple content courses in history, economics, political science and geography from the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences. Students in the program learn how to engage middle and high school students in historical and contemporary topics using effective teaching strategies.

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**Spanish First Semester**

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Speaker Audience Communication, COMS 130 (GE 22)	SP 106	<input type="checkbox"/>
College Algebra, MATH 101 <sup>1</sup> (GE 12)	MAT 104	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intro. to the Education Profession, C&T 100 (GE 11)	ED 110 & 101	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intermediate Spanish I, SPAN 212 (GE 42) <sup>2</sup>	LG 201	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Spanish Second Semester**

Critical Reading and Writing, ENGL 102 (GE 21)	ENG 102	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intermediate Spanish 2, SPAN 216 <sup>2</sup>	No Equivalent Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
History of US through Civil War, HIST 128 (GE 3H)	HIS 101	<input type="checkbox"/>
Principles of Biology & Lab, BIOL 100 & 102 (GE 3N)	BS 101	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal and Community Health, HSES 260	PE 112	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Additional course that may be taken if offered at your community college**

Principles of Physical Geography, GEOG 104 (GE 3N)	PS 105	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Additional Notes for Transfer Students**

The Foreign Language teacher education program curriculum is built on the belief that it is critical for KU students to not only gain a broad-based teacher education preparation, but to supplement that education with hands-on practical experience in the field. This powerful combination allows our students to excel in any classroom environment.

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<sup>2</sup>While this guide is built with Spanish, if your community college offers another language (French, German, Chinese, Japanese, Russian, Latin) you can take the Intermediate Level equivalent and follow the rest of the curriculum. If you begin your language curriculum at the elementary level you may continue at the Intermediate Level when you arrive at KU.

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