The bachelor’s degree in Community Health prepares students for career paths in a variety of community health settings. The program is rigorous and dynamic and allows students who are passionate about health issues in a community setting to work with individuals to develop healthy attitudes and behaviors. Students in this program are interested in assessing community needs, planning and evaluating health programs; and looking to use creativity in the workplace as a professional. The program develops critical thinking and leadership skills in students.

Benefits of the program include:

- **Dual Programming** - Coursework fulfills the requirements for a Bachelor’s degree as well as the Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) credential. It's a two-for-one program at KU!
- **Customizable Curriculum** - Students have the flexibility to develop expertise in health-related areas: sport psychology; sexual health; gender and health; adapted physical activity; or multicultural health.
- **Hands-on Experience** - Senior internship in community health provides real-world experience and future employer contacts.
- **Student Organizations & Networking** - Students can actively participate in KU's Community Health Outreach Program (CHOP), a unique, student-led organization designed to help students actively engage in various health & wellness focused events.
- **Program Reputation** - KU's Bachelor's degree in Community Health is offered through the KU School of Education, which was recently ranked 8th in the nation according to U.S. News & World Report's Best Public Education Schools.

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 at the community college prior to transferring to KU. Each student’s background and goals are unique. Thus we recommend ongoing communication with an advisor in the KU School of Education. See contact information at the bottom of this page.

### School of Education Community Health Admission Requirements

#### Step One: Admission to the University of Kansas

All incoming students must first gain admission to the University of Kansas. Admission applications to the University of Kansas may be completed online at [www.admissions.ku.edu](http://www.admissions.ku.edu). Gaining admission to the University of Kansas requires the submission of official college transcripts from all previously attended colleges/universities. Please note that indicating “Community Health or Education Major” on your application to KU does not grant you entry to the KU School of Education. For scholarship consideration, we encourage you to apply to KU by February 1st prior to the fall/summer semester or November 1st prior to the spring semester you plan to transfer to KU.

#### Step Two: Admission to the KU School of Education

After granted admission to KU, students are permitted to complete the KU School of Education application. Admission applications to the School of Education may be completed online at: [www.soe.ku.edu](http://www.soe.ku.edu). Transfer students are eligible to apply during the semester they will complete the minimum requirements to apply (see below). The application deadline for Admission is the prior February 1st. In the instance that one or more of the pre-admission foundation courses has not been completed before transferring to KU, that student will be considered a Pre-Education student in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences until they meet the minimum requirements to apply.

### Minimum Requirements to Apply to the KU School of Education, Community Health:

Transfer students are eligible to apply during the semester they will complete the minimum application requirements:

1. Completion of ten pre-admission foundation courses (must be taken for a grade)
   - PSYC 104 or SOC 104—Gen. Psych. or Elem. Of Soc.
   - MATH 101—College Algebra or higher
   - COMS 130—Speaker Audience Communication
   - ENGL 101—English Composition
   - ENGL 102—Critical Reading and Writing
   - HSES 248
   - BIOL 100 & 102—Principles of Biology and Lab
   - LNST 201—Introduction to Leadership
   - HSES 248—First Aid with Lab
   - US Diversity Elective—Core Goal General Education 3H
   - Humanities Elective—Core Goal General Education 3H

2. Earned at least a 2.75 GPA in their KU plus transfer GPA.

Admission is selective, meeting all of the above requirements does not guarantee admission.

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**Additional courses that may be taken at the community college**

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**Additional Notes for Transfer Students**

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 will still have three years of courses to complete once at KU. This could cause the student to be below full-time enrollment while at KU.

\(^1\)Students may complete First Aid/CPR Certification through an entity which is OSHA compliant, such as the American Red Cross.

\(^2\)Students may complete the equivalent to BIOL 150, this is especially important for those planning to apply to professional medical programs.

- Transfer credits with earned grades of D+ and below will not satisfy graduation requirements, but will still 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. All grades for academically forgiven courses will be included in the transferable GPA.
- 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. Students with more than 64 credit hours of community college coursework cannot apply the additional hours toward the 120-hour requirement.
- 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.)
- View the most up-to-date listings of transferable courses at: [http://credittransfer.ku.edu](http://credittransfer.ku.edu). You can search by specific KU Core goal or view many of the courses that transfer to KU. If a class is not listed contact [transfercredit@ku.edu](mailto:transfercredit@ku.edu) to inquire about transferability.

It is the STUDENT’S RESPONSIBILITY to check for updates to all transfer information. This transfer program is provided as a service and is updated annually. Degree requirements are subject to change.

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