

2025–2026 KENT STATE UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

KENT CORE REQUIREMENT FOR BACHELOR'S AND A.A. AND A.S. DEGREES

As part of the requirements for all bachelor's degrees and Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees, students must complete minimum 36 credit hours from the Kent Core. Visit the [University Catalog](#) for information on transfer, proficiency and other options to meet the Kent Core.

LEGEND – G: Global Diversity; **D:** Domestic Diversity; **OT:** Ohio Transfer 36

COMPOSITION (KCMP) 6 credit hours

- OT ENG 11011 College Writing (3)
- OT **or** ENG 11002 College Writing–Stretch (3)
- OT ENG 21011 Research Writing (3)
- HONR 10197 Freshman Honors Colloquium I (3)
- HONR 10297 Freshman Honors Colloquium II (3)

MATHEMATICS AND CRITICAL REASONING (KMCR) 3 credit hours

- CS 10051 Computer Science Principles (4)
- OT MATH 10041 Introductory Statistics (4) *
- OT **or** MATH 10040 Introductory Statistics Plus (5)
- OT MATH 10051 Quantitative Reasoning (4) *
- OT **or** MATH 10050 Quantitative Reasoning Plus (5)
- MATH 11008 Explorations in Modern Mathematics (3)
- MATH 11009 Modeling Algebra (4) *
- OT **or** MATH 10772 Modeling Algebra Plus (5)
- OT MATH 11010 Algebra for Calculus (3) *
- OT **or** MATH 10675 Algebra for Calculus Boost (5)
- OT **or** MATH 10775 Algebra for Calculus Plus (4)
- OT MATH 11012 Intuitive Calculus (3)
- OT MATH 11022 Trigonometry (3)
- OT MATH 12002 Analytic Geometry and Calculus I (5)
- OT MATH 12011 Calculus with Precalculus I (3)
- OT MATH 12012 Calculus with Precalculus II (3)
- MATH 14001 Basic Mathematical Concepts I (4) *
- OT **or** MATH 10771 Basic Mathematical Concepts I Plus (5)
- MATH 14002 Basic Mathematical Concepts II (4)
- OT PHIL 21002 Introduction to Formal Logic (3)

HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS (KHUM / KFA) 9 credit hours

Minimum one course must be selected from the Humanities in Arts and Sciences area, and minimum one course must be selected from Fine Arts.

Humanities in Arts and Sciences

- G OT AFS 23001 Black Experience I: Beginnings to 1865 (3)
- D OT AFS 23002 Black Experience II: 1865 to Present (3)
- G OT CLAS 21404 The Greek Achievement (3)
- G OT CLAS 21405 The Roman Achievement (3)
- OT ENG 21054 Introduction to Shakespeare (3)
- OT ENG 22071 Stories That Built the World: Heroes, Quests and Legends (3)
- OT ENG 22072 Stories to Save the Word: Literature and Future of Humanity (3)
- OT ENG 22073 Major Modern Writers: British and United States (3)
- G OT HIST 11050 World History: Ancient and Medieval (3)
- G OT HIST 11051 World History: Modern (3)
- D OT HIST 12070 Early America: From Pre-Colonization to Civil War and Reconstruction (3)
- D OT HIST 12071 Modern America: From Industrialization to Globalization (3)
- G OT PHIL 11001 Introduction to Philosophy (3)
- G OT PHIL 21001 Introduction to Ethics (3)
- G OT REL 11020 Introduction to World Religions (3)
- G OT REL 21021 Moses, Jesus and Mohammad (3)

Humanities in Communication and Information

- D OT COMM 26000 Criticism of Public Discourse (3)

Fine Arts

- OT ARCH 10001 Understanding Architecture (3)
- OT ARCH 10011 Global Architectural History I (3)
- OT ARCH 10012 Global Architectural History II (3)
- OT ARTH 12001 Art as a World Phenomenon (3)
- OT ARTH 22006 Art History: Ancient to Medieval Art (3)
- OT ARTH 22007 Art History: Renaissance to Modern Art (3)
- G OT ARTH 22021 Art History: African Art (3)
- G OT DAN 27076 Dance as an Art Form (3)
- OT MUS 22111 Understanding Western Music (3)
- G OT MUS 22121 Music as a World Phenomenon (3)
- G OT THEA 11000 The Art of the Theatre (3)

ADDITIONAL (KADL) 6 credit hours

Select courses from any of the Kent Core categories

Any of the following courses may also be selected:

- OT COMM 15000 Introduction to Human Communication (3)
- HONR 13597 Colloquium: The Western Identity (3)
- MCLS 20001 Global Literacy and Cultural Awareness (3)
- PHIL 11009 Critical Thinking (3)

NOTES:

* Courses separated by an "or" are equivalent or have overlapping content: only one course can be used towards graduation.

** Science-related major course; NOT recommended for non-science majors.

SOCIAL SCIENCES (KSS) 6 credit hours

Courses must be selected from two curricular areas.

- G OT ANTH 18210 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3)
- G OT ANTH 18420 Introduction to Archaeology (3)
- OT CRIM 26704 Issues in Law and Society (3)
- OT ECON 22060 Principles of Microeconomics (3)
- OT ECON 22061 Principles of Macroeconomics (3)
- OT ENVS 22070 Nature and Society (3)
- G OT GEOG 17063 World Geography (3)
- D OT GEOG 17064 Geography of the United States and Canada (3)
- G OT GEOG 22061 Human Geography (3)
- D OT GERO 14029 Introduction to Gerontology (3)
- D OT MDJ 20001 Media, Power and Culture (3)
- D OT PACS 11001 Introduction to Conflict Management (3)
- G OT POL 10004 Comparative Politics (3)
- D OT POL 10100 American Politics (3)
- G OT POL 10500 World Politics (3)
- D OT PSYC 11762 General Psychology (3)
- D OT PSYC 20651 Child Psychology (3)
- D OT PSYC 21211 Psychology of Everyday Life (3)
- D OT SOC 12050 Introduction to Sociology (3)
- G OT SOC 22778 Social Problems (3)

BASIC SCIENCES (KBS / KLAB) 6-7 credit hours

Minimum one laboratory course (marked "LAB") must be selected. Students taking a 1-credit lab must take the related lecture course in the same or previous term

- OT ANTH 18630 Human Evolution (3)
- LAB ANTH 18631 Issues in Human Evolution (1)
- LAB ATTR 25057 Human Anatomy and Physiology I (4) *
- LAB **or** EXSC 25057 Human Anatomy and Physiology I (4)
- LAB ATTR 25058 Human Anatomy and Physiology II (4) *
- LAB **or** EXSC 25058 Human Anatomy and Physiology II (4)
- OT BSCI 10001 Human Biology (3)
- OT BSCI 10002 Life on Planet Earth (3)
- LAB OT BSCI 10003 Laboratory Experience in Biology (1)
- LAB BSCI 10110 Biological Diversity (4) **
- LAB BSCI 10120 Biological Foundations (4) **
- LAB BSCI 11010 Foundational Anatomy and Physiology I (3) **
- LAB BSCI 11020 Foundational Anatomy and Physiology II (3) **
- LAB BSCI 21010 Anatomy and Physiology I (4) **
- OT CHEM 10030 Chemistry in Our World (3)
- LAB OT CHEM 10031 Chemistry in Our World Laboratory (1)
- OT CHEM 10050 Fundamentals of Chemistry (3) *
- or** CHEM10060 General Chemistry I (4) **
- or** CHEM10970 Honors General Chemistry I (4) **
- or** CHEM11060 General Chemistry I Boost (6) **
- LAB CHEM 10062 General Chemistry I Laboratory (1) **
- LAB CHEM 10063 General Chemistry II Laboratory (1) **
- CHEM 10055 Molecules of Life (3)
- CHEM 10061 General Chemistry II (4) *
- or** CHEM 10971 Honors General Chemistry II (4) **
- OT ESCI 11040 How the Earth Works (3)
- LAB OT ESCI 11041 How the Earth Works Laboratory (1)
- OT ESCI 11042 Earth and Life Through Time (3)
- LAB OT ESCI 11043 Earth and Life Through Time Laboratory (1)
- OT ESCI 21062 Environmental Earth Science (3)
- OT ESCI 21080 All About the Oceans (3)
- OT GEOG 21062 Physical Geography (3)
- LAB OT GEOG 21063 Physical Geography Laboratory (1)
- NUTR 23511 Science of Human Nutrition (3)
- OT PHY 11030 Seven Ideas that Shook the Universe (3)
- LAB PHY 12201 Technical Physics I (3) **
- LAB PHY 12202 Technical Physics II (4) **
- OT PHY 13001 General College Physics I (4)
- OT PHY 13002 General College Physics II (4)
- OT PHY 13012 College Physics II (2)
- LAB OT PHY 13021 General College Physics Laboratory I (1)
- LAB OT PHY 13022 General College Physics Laboratory II (1)
- OT PHY 21040 Physics in Entertainment and the Arts (3)
- LAB OT PHY 21041 Physics in Entertainment and the Arts Laboratory (1)
- OT PHY 21430 Frontiers in Astronomy (3)
- LAB OT PHY 21431 Frontiers in Astronomy Laboratory (1)
- LAB PHY 23101 General University Physics I (5) **
- LAB PHY 23102 General University Physics II (5) **

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NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

All undergraduate students are required to satisfactorily complete the course [UC 10001 Flashes 101](#) (1 credit hour) to earn an associate or bachelor's degree at Kent State. New student orientation courses from another college or university may not be substituted for Kent State's course.

The only exceptions to the requirement are the following:

1. Incoming students who are designated by Kent State admissions as adult students (21 years or older). These students are encouraged to contact the [Center for Adult and Veteran Services](#) or a regional campus advising office for information regarding the availability of special orientation programs for adult students.
2. Students who transfer 30 or more semester credit hours from another higher education institution, excluding post-secondary and dual-enrollment credit earned while in high school (College Credit Plus).

Full-time students are expected to complete [UC 10001 Flashes 101](#) during their first semester of enrollment. Part-time students are expected to complete the course before they attain sophomore standing (30 credit hours).

DIVERSITY REQUIREMENT

As part of the requirements for a bachelor's degree at Kent State, students must satisfy the diversity requirement, consisting of one course addressing domestic (U.S.) issues and one course addressing global issues.

At least one course must come from the Kent Core. Students may satisfy the second diversity requirement in one of three ways:

1. They may complete the second diversity course from the Kent Core, which also will count toward fulfilling the Kent Core.
2. They may complete any non-Kent Core diversity course. This course may also count toward major or minor program requirements or may be used as an elective.
3. They may satisfy the global diversity requirement by completing a course in another country.

Visit the [Diversity Course Requirement](#) page in the University Catalog for a list of approved courses.

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING REQUIREMENT

As part of the requirements for a bachelor's degree at Kent State, students must satisfy the experiential learning requirement. The requirement may be fulfilled by a course, a component of a course or a non-credit paid or unpaid experience. Courses may be at either the lower-or upper-division level. For non-course options, students must obtain prior approval from their program faculty for the experience.

The requirement may be fulfilled individually or collaboratively. Experiential learning opportunities must be completed while enrolled at Kent State University.

Visit the [Experiential Learning Requirement](#) page in the University Catalog for a list of approved courses.

WRITING-INTENSIVE REQUIREMENT

As part of the requirements for a bachelor's degree at Kent State, students must satisfy the writing-intensive course requirement. At least one upper-division, writing-intensive course (as designated in the University Catalog) must be completed with a minimum C grade.

Students should fulfill the requirement by taking a course in the major. In rare instances, a student may use a writing-intensive course from another discipline if approved by the student's major department or school.

Visit the [Writing-Intensive Course Requirement](#) page in the University Catalog for a list of approved courses.