

## HISTORY

Kansas City University (KCU) is one of the oldest colleges of osteopathic medicine in the United States. It was founded May 19, 1916, as the Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery. In November 1970, the name of the college was changed to the Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine. In July 1980, the name of the College was changed to The University of Health Sciences. In July 2004, the name of the university became Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences. In 2017, KCU opened a location in Joplin, Missouri. In November 2020, to reflect the broader mission of the University, the name was changed to Kansas City University.

## ACCREDITATION

KCU is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. KCU's College of Osteopathic Medicine is fully accredited by the Bureau of Professional Education of the American Osteopathic Association (AOA). The AOA is the only accrediting agency for osteopathic medicine approved by the United States Department of Education and Council of Higher Education Accreditation. KCU's PsyD program is accredited on contingency by the Commission on Accreditation of the American Psychological Association (APA). KCU's College of Dental Medicine is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) and has been granted the accreditation status of "initial accreditation."

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR

The University currently operates on a semester basis. Prior to 1990, the academic year was comprised of trimester terms.

## UNIT OF CREDIT

The University utilizes a semester credit system for all programs.

## GRADING SYSTEM College of Dental Medicine

The College of Dental Medicine uses a pass/fail grading system.

H	Honors
P	Pass (75% Or higher)
F	Fail (<75%)

## GRADING SYSTEM College of Osteopathic Medicine

Starting in March 2020, the College of Osteopathic Medicine adopted a pass/fail grading system.

<b>Beginning March 2020</b>			
H	Honors		
P	Pass (70% Or higher)		
F	Fail (<70%)		

<b>Beginning 1999 until Spring 2020</b>			
A	4.00	B-	2.67
A-	3.67	C+	2.22
B+	3.33	C	2.00
B	3.00	F	0.00

<b>Prior to 1999</b>			
A	4.00	C+	2.67
B+	3.67	C	2.33
B	3.33	C-	2.00
B-	3.00	F	0.00

**NOTE:** From July 2014 to March 2020, percentage grades are included in first- and second-year COM grades for all classes except pass/fail.

## GRADING SYSTEM College of Biosciences

The University utilizes a 4.0 grading system. The grade point average for a semester is determined by dividing the total number of quality points by the total number of graded semester hours.

<b>Biomedical Sciences (Prior to Fall 2016 and starting in Fall 2017)</b>			
A	4.00 (90-100%)	C	2.00 (70-79%)
B	3.00 (80-89%)	F	0.00 (<69%)

<b>Biomedical Sciences (Fall 2016-Spring 2017)</b>			
A	4.00 (90-100%)	C+	2.70 (76-79%)
B+	3.70 (86-89%)	C	2.30 (73-75%)
B	3.30 (83-85%)	C-	2.00 (70-72%)
B-	3.00 (80-82%)	F	0.00 (<69%)

<b>Clinical Psychology</b>			
A	4.0 (93-100%)	B	3.00 (83-86%)
A-	3.67 (90-92%)	B-	2.67 (80-82%)
B+	3.33 (87-89%)	F	0.00 (<80%)

## NON-CALCULATED CREDIT

CR	Credit	Credit earned.
H	Honors	Special recognition for exceptional work.
HP	High Pass	Recognition for above average proficiency.
HS	High Satisfactory	Recognition for above average proficiency.
P	Pass	Credit under Pass/Fail option, conversion of C or higher grade.
S	Satisfactory	Same value as "P" grade.
TR	Transfer Credit	Credit awarded in transfer. (Graduate Level)

## NON-CREDIT VALUES

AW	Admin Withdrawal	Administratively withdrawn from course.
AD	Admin Drop	Administratively dropped from course prior to attending.
F	Fail	Failure of a course taken under the Pass/Fail option.
IP	In Progress	Incomplete coursework due to extenuating circumstances. (University-initiated)

## NON-CREDIT VALUES (continued)

I	Incomplete	Incomplete coursework due to extenuating circumstances.
U	Unsatisfactory	Same value as "F" grade.
W	Withdraw	Student-initiated withdrawal.

## REMEDIACTION College of Dental Medicine

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F/P	This value represents successful remediation of a Pass/Fail course
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## REMEDIACTION College of Osteopathic Medicine

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F/C	Beginning in 1999, this value represents only those courses that were passed through the remediation (testing) process, with the highest possible grade being F/C.
F/C-	Represents repeated and/or remediated coursework in the professional program taken prior to 1999. Remediated coursework, regardless of test results, received a grade of C-.
F/P	Beginning in 2014, this value represents successful remediation of a Pass/Fail course.

## REMEDIACTION College of Biosciences – Biomedical Science

Students are eligible to complete a course remediation exam for one lecture-based course each semester if they have received a C or F for the course. The letter grade from the remediation assessment will replace the letter grade for that course for GPA calculation. Both grades are reflected on the transcript. Remediations must be completed within two weeks of the final exam of the semester.

<b>Pass/Fail Courses</b>			
F/H	≥90%		
F/P	≥70%		
F/F	< 70%		
<b>Letter Graded Courses</b>			
F/A	90-100%	C/A	90-100%
F/B	80-89%	C/B	80-89%
F/C	70-79%	C/C	70-79%
F/F	< 70%	C/F	< 70%

## REPEATED COURSEWORK

If a student is required to repeat coursework that is not classified as repeatable, the most recent attempt is counted towards the student's progression through the program. The initial attempt remains on the transcript. Repeated coursework is reflected on the transcript with brackets around the grade ("[ ]").

## GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING

Students are considered to be in good academic standing when they meet the minimum criteria for continued enrollment. Students on academic probation are not considered to be in good standing.

## CLASS RANK AND HONORS College of Dental Medicine

### Dean's List

The Dean's List is comprised of the top ten percent of students' academic performance across the cohort for each term for each of the four years. If a student must repeat the year, they will be eligible to earn the Dean's List distinction the same as any other students in their cohort in that repeated year. The calculation is based on the average of percentages earned in each course, and is weighted by credit hour.

## CLASS RANK AND HONORS College of Osteopathic Medicine

### Class Rank

Beginning in Fall 2020, students in the DO program are assigned a quartile rank at the end of the first- and second-year. The quartile assignment is based on the students' overall percentage grade of completed coursework within the program.

Prior to Fall 2020, class rank at graduation was based on the cumulative grade point average for first- and second-year courses.

### Dean's List

The dean's list notation was implemented beginning in Spring 2015. The dean's list represents the top 10 percent of the class. The dean's list is awarded after each fall and spring terms of the first two years and noted on the transcript as such. The dean's list for the third year is awarded based on the full academic year and is noted after the spring term of the third year.

## LATIN HONORS

KCU's criteria for graduating with Latin honors are as follows:

	Pass/Fail Programs	Letter Grade Programs
Summa cum laude	Top 2% of graduating cohort	4.0 GPA
Magna cum laude	Top 3-7% of graduating cohort	3.9-3.99 GPA
Cum laude	Top 8-12% of graduating cohort	3.8-3.89 GPA

**NOTE:** Latin Honors for the College of Biosciences began in 2016.

## COURSE NUMBERING (beginning 1999)

Course numbers followed by s denote elective sub-internships.

## OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT VALIDATION

This transcript is not official unless printed on KCU security paper and validated with the registrar's signature and issue date. The transcript should be in a sealed KCU validated envelope. Facsimiles and photocopies are considered unofficial.

View the online transcript key [kansascity.edu/transcriptkey] for additional information and/or changes since the printing of this stock.