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Qualified Admissions Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How does the new Qualified Admissions criteria compare to the previous Qualified Admissions criteria?

A: Qualified Admissions criteria for those pursuing postsecondary admission at a Kansas public university summer 2021 or later focuses on cumulative GPA and/or ACT score. GPA and ACT score criteria vary across institutions and are outlined below. The class rank criteria & curriculum units previously required and considered will no longer be required.

Criteria per institution:

- Emporia State University, Fort Hays State University, Pittsburg State University, and Wichita State University will require an ACT score of 21+ **OR** a cumulative 2.25+ GPA.
- Kansas State University will require an ACT score of 21+ **OR** a cumulative 3.25+ GPA.
- The University of Kansas will require an ACT score of 21+ **AND** a cumulative 3.25+ GPA or an ACT score of 24+ **AND** a cumulative 3.0+ GPA.

***For all institutions except KU, a cumulative 2.0+ GPA is required for any college courses taken while in high school. KU requires a 2.5 GPA.

This [document \(pdf\)](#) shows a side-by-side comparison of the previous Qualified Admissions Criteria and those anticipated to go into effect for those entering a university summer 2021 or later.

Q: What does “Kansas Scholars Curriculum is recommended, not required” mean in terms of the new Qualified Admissions criteria?

A: The new Qualified Admissions criteria *recommends* high school students complete the [Kansas Scholars Curriculum](#) as preparation for academic work at the university level. Students seeking university admission summer 2021 or later will likely be best prepared by taking this curriculum, but it will no longer be required for Qualified Admissions consideration.

Q: For Qualified Admissions criteria, are certain high school courses required?

A: For Qualified Admissions, no, certain courses/units are no longer required, but following the [Kansas Scholars Curriculum](#) as a pre-college curriculum is still recommended.

Students will need to complete the graduation requirements set by the Kansas Board of Education, and those students who plan to pursue postsecondary education summer 2021 or later will likely be best prepared by taking the suggested pre-college curriculum.

Q: Now that certain units or courses are not required for Qualified Admissions, does this mean high school students can take whatever courses they would like?

A: No, students will need to complete the graduation requirements set by the Kansas Board of Education & their school district, and those students who plan to pursue university education summer 2021 or later will likely be best prepared by taking the suggested [Kansas Scholars Curriculum](#).

Q: For what high school graduating class will the new Qualified Admissions criteria apply?

A: The new criteria apply to those graduating in 2021 entering a university summer 2021 or later.

Q: Will the Kansas Scholars Curriculum be changing?

A: No, the Kansas Scholars Curriculum will remain the same. View the [curriculum](#).

Q: If I have questions about the new Qualified Admissions criteria, who should I contact?

A: You may email Sam Christy-Dangermond at the Kansas Board of Regents: schristy@ksbor.org.
