

Learning Programs and Resources

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Learning Programs and Resources

Many programs and resources available at UMKC are intended to support and complement our student's academic programs of study. Throughout UMKC, you will find opportunities to engage with faculty and fellow students in meaningful activities on campus, in research labs, in the community and even internationally. At UMKC, student learning and engagement are at the heart of our institution. The programs and resources described here are only a few of the opportunities to experience in our vibrant learning community.

FaCET (Faculty Center for Excellence in Teaching)

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<http://www.umkc.edu/provost/initiatives/FaCET>

FaCET's Mission

The Faculty Center for Excellence in Teaching (FaCET) is faculty defined and operated with a focus on promoting academic excellence through effective teaching practices. The Center sponsors a range of formal and informal conversations about student learning and the assessment, development and documentation of teaching. Through the Student Learning Network, the Center is a hub for existing UMKC programs that emphasize student learning. We have a broad sense of our mission and welcome new participants from across UMKC. FaCET remains open to suggestions about how we can best promote excellent teaching at UMKC.

For more information, see the FaCET Web site at <http://www.umkc.edu/provost/initiatives/FaCET> or contact us at facet@umkc.edu.

Fellowships and Awards

Center for International Academic Programs
5325 Rockhill Road
(816) 235-5759
<http://www.umkc.edu/international>

The Center for International Academic Programs (CIAP) assists students who want to apply for major fellowships that support continued undergraduate study and graduate school. The CIAP Web site identifies an extensive list of these fellowships for both national and international study, including, but not limited to, the Truman, Goldwater, Udall, Fulbright, Rhodes, Marshall, Jack Kent Cooke, NSEP Boren and Rotary. These are highly competitive awards that demand careful planning and a commitment of time and effort. All fellowships require applicants to have a high GPA. In addition, typical eligibility criteria include a record of community service, evidence of undergraduate research or original work, strong faculty references and a commitment to future academic or public service. A number of the fellowships require an on-campus review and nomination before a candidate can move forward to the national competition. Most of these fellowships provide substantial financial support as well as opportunities for travel and specialized seminars with fellow grantees. For additional information, call (816) 235-5759 or visit <http://www.umkc.edu/international>.

Service Learning

One of the most significant ways a university engages with its community is by enabling students to expand their learning through service structured to meet the needs of both the community and the student. Because academic service-learning combines service with classroom-based

instruction, it provides a forum for the practical application of theoretical knowledge-learning by doing.

As UMKC's academic service-learning support office, **Students in the City** furthers the progress of urban core revitalization by catalyzing ever-increasing experiential education opportunities for UMKC students. Academic service-learning brings the city into the classroom. Through the assignment of a project that addresses community needs, students learn from community members and develop leadership skills while practicing theoretical knowledge gained in class. **Students in the City** is at the heart of UMKC's mission to be an essential community partner and resource. By design, an academic service-learning project is mutually beneficial for its participants. Community organizations benefit from student talent and expertise while students learn from, serve and engage with their community.

If you are interested in academic service-learning, contact us. Through its programs and services, **Students in the City**:

- Facilitates connections between community organizations and UMKC faculty, staff and students.
- Provides support for community organizations to host an academic service-learning project.
- Provides support for faculty to implement a service-learning project in a class.
- Hosts forums for community members and UMKC faculty, staff and students to learn about best practices in the field of academic service-learning.

Interested? Contact us.

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UMKC's Academic Service-Learning Program
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Study Abroad

Center for International Academic Programs
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The Center for International Academic Programs (CIAP) serves as a resource for UMKC students who would like to have an international academic experience while earning UMKC credit. CIAP provides information on study abroad options and oversees UMKC's cooperative student exchange programs with colleges and universities in several countries including the Czech Republic, England, France, Germany, Mexico and Spain. For a detailed listing of available study abroad programs, deadlines and related scholarships, visit our Web site.

Interested students should contact CIAP for assistance in planning their international study abroad program. In order to receive academic credit, students must complete the required documents (available at CIAP). As outlined in the Guidelines for University of Missouri-Sponsored Study Abroad Programs, all students must also enroll in the mandatory study abroad insurance and complete an Assumption of Risk and Release form prior to departure. Students accepted into a program are required to attend a mandatory pre-departure orientation.

Students are invited to visit CIAP, located at 5325 Rockhill Road. Call (816) 235-5759 for an appointment to meet with a staff member for assistance with an international program, scholarships or other inquiries. For additional information regarding study abroad and related scholarships, visit <http://www.umkc.edu/international>.