



**Institute for Urban Education**  
**Application for Admission: Elementary and Middle School Education**  
**2016-2017**

More information about the IUE can be found on our website: <http://iue.umkc.edu>

The Institute for Urban Education (IUE) is a 2-4 year undergraduate program that leads to a degree in elementary or middle school education with a focus on the teaching of math, science, and literacy. The program is specifically targeted to develop teachers for urban schools. Students receiving IUE scholarships make a commitment to teach in an urban district following graduation in exchange for financial support. Questions or inquiries regarding the IUE's programs and offerings should be directed to an IUE representative at **816.235.2443**.

**The following application materials must be submitted.**

**Submit by priority application deadline: **March 1, 2016** (Applications will be accepted on a contingent basis through May 15, 2016).**

*Your application will not be processed until items 1-4 have been submitted.* Applications will be processed as they are received.

*Please allow 4 weeks processing time once all application materials are submitted.*

1. **UMKC Application:** Please submit the University of Missouri-Kansas City application for admission and required credentials (if not already admitted to UMKC). Applications are available at: <http://www.umkc.edu/admissions>. A \$35-\$45 application fee payable to UMKC is required of students not already admitted to UMKC.
2. **Application for Admission to the Institute for Urban Education:** Please also complete this paper application for Admission to the Institute for Urban Education found on page 2 & 3 of this application packet.
3. **Personal Statement:** Please attach a typed personal statement of **750** words or less addressing your interest and commitment to urban education. You may also want to address why you have chosen the field of education and why you think you will be an effective teacher in an urban school.
4. **Two References:** Two letters of reference are required, at least one of which should be from an educator or from someone who can address the applicant's performance in working with youth (please do not use relatives). Both letters should be submitted using the attached reference forms and should be confidential, signed and submitted in sealed envelopes.
5. **FAFSA:** Although the IUE is not a need-based program, all **students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**, as this form is used as a tool for UMKC financial processing. This form is available at the following website and must be submitted between January 1 and March 1, 2014: [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).

Items 1-4 (above) must be submitted **as a packet** to:

**UMKC School of Education**  
**Attn: Dr. Jennifer Waddell,**  
**IUE Associate Director**  
**615. E. 52<sup>nd</sup> St., Rm 309**  
**Kansas City, MO 64110**

**Priority deadline for all applications: March 1, 2016**

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**Students must be admitted to UMKC prior to being accepted to the Institute for Urban Education.**

- **If and when admitted to UMKC and all IUE application materials are received, files will be reviewed by the IUE and potential finalists will be contacted for a personal interview. Interviews may be scheduled before March 1, if materials have been submitted and applicant has been admitted to UMKC.**

**The following standards are required of students once admitted to the Institute for Urban Education.**

- Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher.
- Students must adhere to IUE and School of Education Professional Standards of Conduct.
- Students must successfully complete the MoGEA. This must be completed prior to your junior year.
- Students must pass an FBI background check as required by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE).
- In exchange for financial support, IUE students must make a commitment to teach in an urban district for four years upon graduation.
- Annually, students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).



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**Applicant's name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Program (check one)** \_\_\_ **Elementary Education** \_\_\_ **Middle School Science** \_\_\_ **Middle School Math** \_\_\_ **Middle School English**

**High School GPA:** \_\_\_\_\_ **High School Class Rank:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ACT/SAT Score:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you currently attending UMKC?** Yes      No

Please print neatly or type (attach a separate page if needed)

1. Why do you want to be a teacher in an urban school?

2. Why are you applying to the Institute for Urban Education?

3. Why do you think you would be an effective urban teacher?



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**Applicant's name:**

4. Recent activities (high school, clubs, community involvement)

5. Work Experience (paid and/or volunteer)

6. Other Awards/Recognitions received

**Read Carefully** I certify that the information on this application is accurate and complete, and I understand that all required credentials must be submitted before an admittance decision can be made. Furthermore, I understand that to be considered for admittance to the Institute for Urban Education I must first submit my application for admittance to the University of Missouri-Kansas City and my file will not be reviewed by IUE unless I am admitted to UMKC. I authorize the University of Missouri-Kansas City to maintain all my records under my signed name, and I understand these records and credentials of my application are property of UMKC and may not be returned or reproduced.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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