

UMKC

SSE Boot Camp FAQs

How much does the Boot Camp cost, and what does that cover?

For Fall 2022, the cost is \$260. This covers all materials and supplies used to administer and run the Boot Camp, it covers two meals a day, and it includes a Boot Camp T-shirt.

Can I participate in the Boot Camp even if I don't intend to take BIOL 108, 109 or CHEM 211 in the fall?

No, enrollment in BIOL 108, 109 or CHEM 211 is a prerequisite for participation in the SBC Boot Camp. The week is designed to help students with the beginning of General Biology and Chemistry and will not be as helpful if you are not enrolled in one of these courses.

Can I apply to the Boot Camp before I register for fall classes?

Yes, you may apply to the Boot Camp any time. In fact, we recommend applying early as we have a limited enrollment capacity.

Can I participate in the SBC Boot Camp if I am not a Biology or Chemistry major?

Yes, but you must be enrolled in Biol 108, Biol 109 or CHEM 211. The Boot Camp is biology and chemistry oriented and is led by Biology and Chemistry faculty and advisors.

Can I participate in the Boot Camp as a sophomore?

Yes, but the program is geared toward making the transition to college, so the Boot Camp may not be as helpful for sophomore students.

Will I need housing for the Boot Camp?

Campus housing is optional and only provided for students with a housing contract with the Residential Life Office. Please refer to the "Housing FAQs" link for all housing information.

Will I need a parking permit for the week of the Boot Camp?

If you have a fall semester Parking Pass, it will be good for the week of the Boot Camp. UMKC [parking permits may be purchased online](#). If you do not have a parking pass and will be driving, there is off-street parking on the perimeter of the campus. UMKC [parking options](#) are described on the Parking and Transportation web pages.

Will I receive course credit for participating in the Boot Camp?

No, this is an optional orientation program. No official UMKC credit will be given for the Boot Camp.

Will meals be provided during the Boot Camp?

Yes, participants will receive two meals a day during the Boot Camp (lunch and dinner). Vegan/vegetarian options will be available.

What should I bring to the Boot Camp?

- Something to take notes with and pen or pencil.
- Your UMKC ID card.
- A book for the Reading Skills sessions. It is recommended that the book be for leisure, and not a technical book nor a textbook.
- Comfortable clothes.
- Comfortable shoes (we intentionally schedule classes and meetings all over campus so that you become familiar with the university buildings).
- You will need a laptop or tablet. Alternatively, you may use a smart phone with a browser.

Do I need to purchase the textbooks for the Boot Camp?

No, you will have access to the ebook for Biology 108 and 109 and its online companion material, Mastering Biology, through AutoAccess.

What if I get sick during the Boot Camp?

Technically, you will not be a student until the first day of class, but we have made arrangements so that you may use the campus health clinic during their normal hours, during the Boot Camp week.

If you are unable to use the campus health clinic, the nearest walk-in health care clinic is the Neighborhood Walk-in and Family Care, 5151 Troost, Suite 200. Kansas City, MO 816-237-1616. <https://ww2.rockhurst.edu/health-information-services/health-care-clinic>. This clinic is separate from the campus health clinic and you will need to use personal insurance.

How do I pay for the Boot Camp?

The Boot Camp fees will be posted to your UMKC student billing account, and you may pay the same way you pay your other university fees. For more information on payment options, contact the Cashiers Office at cashiers@umkc.edu.

Is there any financial aid available for the Boot Camp?

Yes, we have a limited number of need-based financial aid scholarships that will cover 50% of the Boot Camp fee. Financial aid is only available to students who are majors in biology or chemistry. You will need to indicate on your registration form that you want to apply for the scholarship. You must have a completed FAFSA application submitted, and you need to qualify for financial aid by the university's criteria. We begin informing students of their scholarship acceptance in July.

How do I cancel my Boot Camp registration?

You may cancel your Boot Camp registration by emailing the program administrator at SBCBootCamp@umkc.edu. You will receive a full refund if you cancel before the August 1st deadline. Please note that you must officially cancel to have the charges removed.