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## GLOSSARY OF ACADEMIC TERMS

This mini-dictionary of academic terms has been compiled as a way of demystifying the jargon of the academic world. As you read through the *Catalog*, check this handy dictionary to look up terms with which you may not be familiar.

### ACADEMIC ADVISING

Process whereby students are provided with information regarding degree requirements, recommended coursework, programs of study, academic support services and policies, and procedures defining academic progress.

### ACADEMIC FORGIVENESS POLICY

The Academic Forgiveness Policy pertains only to former Kent State students returning to the university as undergraduate students after a significant absence. It provides them an opportunity to have their academic standing reflect the increased maturity and improved level of academic performance gained since the interruption of studies at Kent State.

### ACADEMIC PROBATION

(see PROBATION)

### ACADEMIC STANDING

Students with a cumulative 2.00 GPA or above are in good academic standing. Students with a cumulative grade point average below 2.00 are placed on academic probation.

### ACADEMIC YEAR

University year consisting of two 16-week semesters—fall and spring.

### ACCESS

A program that permits persons to take courses at the university on a space-available basis at a substantial reduction in cost from that which is paid by a regularly enrolled student. No academic credit is received by ACCESS students for such coursework.

### ACCREDITATION

An external review process by which experts authorize or give credentials indicating that standards and expectations have been met by academic programs or institutions.

### ADMISSIONS OFFICE

The university office where information and undergraduate admissions applications are available.

### ADULT STUDENT

A student who is 21 years old or older and who has been out of high school for three years or more at the time of his/her first college enrollment. Further defined as any student whose primary life roles and responsibilities exist independent of the university and which, at times, may take precedence over the role of student.

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Credit granted by Kent State for satisfactory scores attained through high school participation in this nationally standardized program. Contact Honors College for information.

### ADVISOR

Faculty member or staff person who provides students with information concerning courses, programs of study and other aspects of academic life.

### ATTEMPTED HOURS

Students' total credit-hour registration, either for a specific term or cumulative for all terms. Cumulative attempted hours include all credit-hour registrations for all terms at any accredited college or university (including postsecondary registrations and courses to which forgiveness adjustments or repeat policies have been applied), as well as credit hours earned by other means (advanced placement, CLEP, credit-by-exam, etc.). Attempted hours include courses for which students have received either a letter grade or other administrative mark (AU, IN, IP, NA, NF, NR, SF, W, etc.).

### AUDIT

Enrollment in a class for which no grade or credit will be received.

### BASIC SCIENCE

A Liberal Education Requirements (LER) category consisting of 6-7 credit hours of coursework in the following areas: anthropology, biological sciences, chemistry, geology and physics. Minimum one lab course is required.

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The board is made up of 11 trustees, two of whom shall be students at Kent State University. Trustees are appointed by the governor to provide for the proper maintenance and successful, continuous operation of the university (as specified by the Ohio Revised Code).

### BOARD PLAN

Food service plan operated by university; mandatory participation by freshmen and sophomores living in residence halls.

### BURSAR'S OFFICE

The university office where payments of tuition and fees are made.

### CAREER PLANNING

The development and coordination of a student's experiences including his/her programs of study, extracurricular activities and employment pursuits to assist in the selection and planning of a vocation.

### CAREER SERVICES CENTER

The university office providing services in career employment, career education, student employment and academic testing.

### CATALOG YEAR

A term identifying the *Catalog* that contains the requirements defining a student's degree program. Initially, it is the *Catalog* in force during the student's first semester at Kent State University. Refer to the *Catalog* in Force policy in the General Requirements and Regulations section of this *Catalog*.

### CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

The Regional Campus network awards certificates to students who successfully complete a course of study designed to meet a specific need and that has been designated a Certificate Program and properly approved as such. These programs consist of no less than 15 credit hours and no more than 30.

### CERTIFICATION

Formal "licensing" of a professional program according to the standards of an external professional body.

### CLEP

College Level Examination Program—a testing program administered by Academic Testing Services. The completion of these exams may result in college-level credit.

### COLLEGE

Academic organizational division of the university offering curricular programs leading to baccalaureate or advanced degrees.

### COLLOQUIUM

An academic seminar on a broad topic usually led by a different lecturer at each meeting.

### COMPASS TEST

COMPASS is a computer-adaptive test used to assess mathematics, reading and writing skills of entering freshmen. COMPASS results are used by trained academic advisors to place students into appropriate courses and to advise students on course selection.

**COMPOSITION**

A Liberal Education Requirements category consisting of 6 credit hours of College Writing I and II.

**CONCENTRATION**

A major area of study within the bachelor degree program usually encompassing several allied disciplines.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION STUDENT**

Any student attending credit workshops, seminars and conferences, whether for credit, continuing education units or noncredit.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS (CEU)**

Awarded for successful completion of a noncredit course or program. One continuing education unit equals 10 contact hours in an academically sound program sponsored by an accredited educational institution.

**COREQUISITE**

Course(s) requiring simultaneous enrollment in another course. Example: PHY 13001 is a corequisite for PHY 13021.

**COURSE LOAD**

Total number of semester credit hours for which a student registered during any semester.

**COURSE WITHDRAWAL**

Process by which student removes a course(s) from his/her schedule subject to the deadlines published in the *Schedule of Classes*. A mark of W will be recorded on the student's transcript if the withdrawal is after the second week of the semester during the fall and spring semesters. Refer to the *Schedule of Classes* for the summer sessions deadlines.

**CREDIT-BY-EXAMINATION**

Credit earned in selected approved courses by taking a departmental examination to test knowledge already possessed without previous course enrollment. Contact Academic Testing Services.

**CREDIT HOURS**

Units, acquired for completed coursework, that are applied toward a degree.

**DEAN**

The head of a division, faculty, college or school of a university.

**DEAN'S LIST FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS**

Recognition given students who attained a semester GPA of 3.40 or better during the most recent term and who completed at least 12 graded hours.

**DEAN'S LIST FOR PART-TIME STUDENTS**

Compiled after spring semester grades are issued, the Dean's List for Part-Time Students will recognize a student with at least a 3.40 grade point average in 12 or more graded hours taken during the previous summer, fall and spring semesters. Students must have registered for fewer than 12 hours in each of the semesters under consideration.

**DEGREE**

Associate Degree: Two-year degree of a technical or general nature offered only through the Regional Campuses.

Baccalaureate Degree: Academic degree conferred by a university or college. Generally requires a minimum of four years of full-time study.

Master's Degree: Academic degree conferred by a university for completion of an integrated program of study at the graduate level beyond the bachelor's degree; usually involves one or more years of work and completion of a research project or thesis.

Doctoral Degree: Highest degree conferred by a university following advanced graduate study and research.

Combined Baccalaureate and Master's Degree Programs: Programs of study available to students with outstanding undergraduate records or exemplary professional credentials.

**DEPARTMENT**

Academic unit within a college or school.

**DISCIPLINE**

Specific area of study; formally organized body of knowledge.

**DISMISSAL**

Process by which a student whose academic performance indicates little chance of obtaining the minimum grades required for graduation is no longer allowed to enroll at the university. Refer to the Dismissal Policy in the General Requirements and Regulations section of this *Catalog*.

**DISTANCE LEARNING**

Distance learning is any type of interactive education in which students work on their own at home or at the office and communicate with faculty and other students via e-mail, electronic forums, video conferencing or another form of computer-based communication.

**DIVERSITY**

Coursework required of all undergraduate students. Normally students must complete two courses from the list of approved diversity courses, including at least one from the diversity list within the Liberal Education Requirements (LER) program.

**DOUBLE MAJOR**

The pursuit of two or more programs of academic study for a single degree within the same college.

**DUAL DEGREE**

The pursuit of programs of study in two different colleges within the university leading to degrees in both colleges. Students may also pursue two separate degrees, as available, within the same college.

**ELECTIVE**

Courses or programs pursued in addition to the collegial, departmental, major and liberal education degree requirements.

**EMERITUS SENIOR SCHOLAR PROGRAM**

Special classes open only to Senior Guest Students, taught by emeritus faculty. A fee is assessed for each class.

**EVENING AND WEEKEND STUDENT**

One who takes 50 percent or more of his or her credit coursework in evening and/or weekend classes.

**FINANCIAL AID**

Financial assistance for an eligible student; available in the form of grants, loans, scholarships and federal work-study employment.

**FINE ARTS**

The fine arts are concerned primarily with the creation of aesthetic objects or performances—such as music, art and theater—that are created for the specific purpose of being observed and experienced for the power of their effect on the perceiver.

Also, a Liberal Education Requirements category consisting of coursework in the following areas: architecture, art, dance, history, music and theatre.

**FIRST YEAR COLLOQUIUM**

Program designed to familiarize the new student with university facilities, policies and procedures.

**FLASHcard (IDENTIFICATION CARD)**

Identification card issued to all registered students. It is used for admittance to athletic, cultural and social events; borrowing of library materials; and purchasing goods and services on the Golden Flash debit plan or the Food Services board plan.

**FLASHcash**

FLASHcash is a prepaid purchase plan for students, faculty, staff or anyone who frequently visits the Kent State University campus. It works like a credit card in reverse. You make an initial deposit to your account and charges are deducted as you make purchases. For more information visit the Web site at [www.flashcard.kent.edu](http://www.flashcard.kent.edu).

**FLASHLINE**

*FlashLine* is a customizable, Web-based portal (entryway) for Kent State students, faculty, staff and alumni. *FlashLine* provides secure, single sign-on access to academic, administrative and student systems including Web for Students<sup>®</sup> and Web for Faculty<sup>®</sup>. *FlashLine* also includes access to an updated, Web-based e-mail system, calendaring features and a group feature that gives users the ability to create and manage group Web pages for clubs or other affiliations and interests. To log into *FlashLine*, visit <http://flashline.kent.edu>. For help with *FlashLine*, contact the University Helpdesk at 330-672-HELP (4357) or visit the *FlashLine* information Web site at <http://www.kent.edu/flashline>.

**FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)**

Financial information document submitted by an applicant for student financial aid; supplies information concerning income, assets, expenses and liabilities.

**FRESHMAN**

An undergraduate student who has earned less than 30 semester hours.

**FULL-TIME STUDENT**

Any undergraduate student enrolled in the university who is carrying a course load of 12 or more hours per semester.

**GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

General requirements address a broad range of matters such as degree requirements, requirements for graduation, residency requirements and academic standing.

**GPA (GRADE POINT AVERAGE)**

Grade point average is determined by the number of hours attempted at Kent State University and the grades received. Refer to the section on Grade Point Average in the General Requirements and Regulations section of this *Catalog*. Refer also to the section on Graduation With Institutional Honors in the General Requirements and Regulations section of the *Catalog*.

**GRADUATE STUDENT**

A student who is pursuing a graduate program of study, i.e., a master's- or doctoral-level degree.

**GRANT (FINANCIAL AID)**

A nonrepayable award to an eligible student based upon determined financial need and program criteria.

**HUMANITIES**

The branches of learning having primarily a cultural character such as art, philosophy, history, music, English and foreign languages.

A Liberal Education Requirements category consisting of 9 credit hours of coursework in the following areas: classical studies, communication studies, English, history, Pan-African studies and philosophy.

**ID CARD**

(see FLASHcard)

**IN PROGRESS (IP grade)**

A grade given to indicate that research, individual investigation or similar efforts are in progress and that a final grade will be given when the work is completed. Refer to the section on Academic Grades and Administrative Marks in the General Requirements and Regulations section in this *Catalog*.

**INCOMPLETE (IN grade)**

An administrative mark that may be given to students who are unable to complete *the last three weeks* of a semester because of factors beyond their control. Refer to the section on Academic Grades and Administrative Marks in the General Requirements and Regulations section of this *Catalog*.

**INDEPENDENT STUDENT (FINANCIAL AID)**

A person may be considered independent for student financial aid purposes if he/she is one of the following: (1) is born before Jan. 1, 1978; (2) is a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces; (3) is a graduate or a professional student; (4) is married; (5) is an orphan or a ward of the court, or was a ward of the court until age 18; (6) has legal dependents other than a spouse; or, (7)\* is a student with other unusual circumstances.

\*A student with unusual circumstances must meet with a financial aid officer to complete a dependency appeal. The student should be aware that documentation is required to support a claim of independence.

**INDIVIDUAL INVESTIGATION**

A method of independent study that, if approved by the appropriate university authorities, allows the student to pursue topics of interest in a flexible time frame.

**INDIVIDUALIZED MAJOR**

Individually designed program of study developed in consultation with the dean of the college and with faculty recommendations.

**INTERCOLLEGIATE**

Activities involving two or more colleges or universities.

**INTERDISCIPLINARY**

Course or program of study involving two or more major areas and departments of study.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT**

A student who is not a citizen of the United States and who has entered the United States on a temporary basis for the purpose of enrolling in an educational institution.

**INTERNSHIP**

A work experience in a position related to the academic field of preparation.

**INTRAMURALS AND RECREATION**

Athletic activities between and among groups on one campus.

**JUNIOR**

An undergraduate student who has earned between 60-89 semester hours.

**KENT ACADEMIC PROGRESS SYSTEM (KAPS)**

An automated degree audit system to monitor students' progress toward completion of degree requirements.

**KentLINK**

The university's online public catalog. KentLINK offers author, title, subject and keyword searching of the extensive holdings of the university Libraries.

**LATE REGISTRATION**

Process of initial class enrollment for a given term once the term has begun. A late registration fee is assessed beginning the second week of classes. Refer to the *Schedule of Classes* for summer sessions deadlines.

**LIBERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (LER)**

Coursework required of all Kent State undergraduate students regardless of college, school or specific academic program. Encompassing 36-37 hours of academic credits in five areas to be completed during the first two years of study, the LER are designed to provide a common nucleus and an appropriate breadth of inquiry, understanding and perspective to the Kent State undergraduate education experience. It is essential, therefore, that students consult the *Catalog* descriptions for their college and degree program.

Categories of LER consist of:

- \* Composition
- \* Mathematics and Critical Reasoning
- \* Humanities and Fine Arts
- \* Social Sciences
- \* Basic Sciences

**LICENSURE**

Formal "permission" of a professional program according to the standards of an external professional body—for example, the certification of graduates in approved curricula of the College of Education, Health, and Human Services.

**LOWER DIVISION**

A student with freshman or sophomore standing; also may refer to a course whose number begins with a 1 or a 2.

**MAJOR**

Subject of focus for academic study in which a student pursues a prescribed curriculum and is a formal degree candidate.

**MATHEMATICS AND CRITICAL REASONING**

A Liberal Education Requirements category consisting of 3 credit hours of coursework.

**MATRICULATION**

The process of being admitted into a group, especially a college or university.

**MINOR**

Secondary field of study represented by a set of department-determined courses, generally between 18 and 24 credit hours.

**NATURAL SCIENCES**

Any of the sciences that deal with matter and energy and their interrelations and transformations, or with objectively measurable phenomena, such as physics, chemistry or biology.

**NONCREDIT**

Courses or programs for which no academic credit is given.

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**NONDEGREE**

(see SPECIAL NONDEGREE ADMISSION)

**NONRESIDENT**

Student who has not established status as a resident of Ohio as defined by Ohio Board of Regents. Refer to the policy on Ohio Student Residency in the Fees and Expenses section of this *Catalog*.

**NORTHEASTERN OHIO UNIVERSITIES COLLEGE OF MEDICINE (NEOUCOM)**

A consortium of The University of Akron, Kent State University and Youngstown State University that provides a combined, six-year Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree and a Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) program. NEOUCOM is fully accredited by the Association of American Medical Colleges.

**OIG (FINANCIAL AID)**

Ohio Instructional Grant; a nonrepayable award made by the Ohio Board of Regents to an eligible undergraduate student who is an Ohio resident. The OIG is applied to the cost of tuition and fees.

**OhioLINK**

A statewide electronic library catalog and database system, OhioLINK provides online access to the collections of 52 institutions in Ohio.

**OMBUDS**

Swedish term meaning "representative." Person appointed by the university to assist students in resolving concerns, complaints and grievances through established channels.

**OVERLOAD**

Enrollment for class hours in excess of 18 during fall or spring semester, in excess of 6 hours during Summer I or III, or 10 hours during Summer II. Refer to *Schedule of Classes* for additional information. An overload requires dean's permission.

**PART-TIME STUDENT**

Any undergraduate student enrolled in the university who is carrying a course load of less than 12 hours per semester.

**PASS (Placement, Advising and Scheduling System)**

The Placement, Advising and Scheduling System provides a one-day orientation to Kent State University for new freshmen and their families. The program is designed to acquaint participants with the campus and provide academic advising and course registration services to new students.

**PASS/FAIL**

System by which undergraduate students can take elective courses for a grade of pass or fail in lieu of a letter grade.

**PELL GRANT**

A nonrepayable financial aid award provided by the federal government directly to an undergraduate student; formerly named Basic Educational Opportunity Grant.

**PHYSICAL SCIENCES**

The natural sciences that deal primarily with nonliving materials such as mineralogy, astronomy, meteorology or geology.

**POSTUNDERGRADUATE**

A student with a baccalaureate degree who is enrolling in additional undergraduate-level classes.

**PRACTICUM**

A school or college course, especially one in a specialized field, designed to give the students supervised practical experience.

**PREPROFESSIONAL**

Preparation for professional training through undergraduate programs of study.

**PREREQUISITE**

Course(s) or condition(s) required before enrollment in a more advanced class. Example: Biology 10181 is a prerequisite for Biology 10182.

**PRESIDENT'S LIST**

Recognition given students who attained a semester average of 4.00 during the most recent term and who completed at least 15 graded credit hours (all of which must have regular letter grades).

**PROBATION (ACADEMIC)**

A warning to students who fail to maintain a semester and/or an overall grade point average of 2.00 or better. Failure to improve the academic record within a specified time may result in academic dismissal.

**PROGRAM**

Plan of academic study.

**PROVOST**

Chief academic officer of the university.

**QUALITY POINTS**

The number of points assigned per credit hour for each letter grade: A=4 points, B=3 points, C=2 points, D=1 point, F=0 points.

**QUARTER**

School term (about 11 weeks long) that is one-third of the academic year (see SEMESTER).

**QUARTER HOUR**

Each hour of coursework in the quarter system plan is called a quarter hour, which can be converted to semester hours (i.e., for transfer students): 1 quarter hour converts to .67 semester hours.

**REGISTRAR'S OFFICE**

The university office that plans and oversees registration activities, academic record maintenance, transcript preparation and degree audit system.

**REGISTRATION**

Process of initial class enrollment for a given term.

**REINSTATEMENT**

Process by which a student may gain reentry to the university after dismissal. Please refer to the policy on Reinstatement in the General Requirements and Regulations section of this *Catalog*.

**REQUIREMENT**

Course or condition that must be fulfilled as part of a particular program.

**ROTC**

Reserve Officers Training Corps—program leading to commission as officer in military service (Army or Air Force).

**RULE FOR RECALCULATION OF FIRST-YEAR GRADE POINT AVERAGE**

(Freshman Forgiveness) Refer to the policy as described in the General Requirements and Regulations section of this *Catalog*.

**SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT**

A change to a class schedule for a student who has already enrolled in at least one course for the term. Deadlines for schedule adjustments are published in the *Schedule of Classes*.

**SCHEDULE OF CLASSES**

List of courses to be offered for a given semester providing the days, time, meeting place and usually the instructor of the course. Also contains semester calendar information, including deadlines for registration transactions and additional course fees, financial aid and other pertinent information.

**SCHOLARSHIP**

A nonrepayable award to an eligible student based upon academic achievement and determined financial need or, in some cases, based upon academic achievement alone.

**SCHOOL**

Term applied to academic units within a particular college or to a single academic unit offering curricular programs leading to a baccalaureate or advanced degree.

**SEMESTER**

School term (about 16 weeks long) that is one-half of the academic year.

**SEMESTER HOUR**

Each unit of academic credit assigned to a course as the credit value for that course under the semester system is known as the semester hour. Generally, semester hours of credit for a course are directly equivalent to the number of classroom contact hours per week.

**SENIOR**

An undergraduate student who has earned 90 or more semester hours and has not received a baccalaureate degree.

**SENIOR GUEST STUDENT**

An adult 50 years old and retired, or 60 years old regardless of retirement status, who wishes to sign up for regular course offerings on a space available, noncredit, tuition-free basis.

**SEQUENCE**

Courses that must be taken in a definite order.

**SOCIAL SCIENCES**

A science dealing with a particular phase or aspect of human society such as sociology, psychology, political science or economics.

A Liberal Education Requirements category consisting of 6 credit hours of coursework in the following areas: anthropology, conflict management, economics, geography, gerontology, journalism and mass communication, justice studies, political science, psychology and sociology.

**SOPHOMORE**

An undergraduate student who has earned between 30-59 semester hours.

**SPECIAL NONDEGREE ADMISSION**

An admission category for students who have had no previous college-level work and who do not express an intent to pursue a baccalaureate degree.

**SUBMAJOR**

A subset of program requirements within a major where two or more explicitly designated choices share a common core. The submajor can contain three levels: concentration, option, emphasis.

**SYLLABUS**

An outline or a summary of the main points of text, lecture or course of study.

**SYMPOSIUM**

A meeting or conference for discussion of topic, especially one in which the participants form an audience and make presentations.

**TRANSCRIPT**

The accurate and complete record of a student's academic coursework attempted at an institution, presented in either electronic or paper format.

**TRANSFER MODULE**

Developed by the Ohio Board of Regents, a specific subset or the entire set of a college or university's general education requirements. A Transfer Module completed at one Ohio college or university will automatically meet the requirements of the Transfer Module at the receiving Ohio institution, once the student is accepted. Students may be required, however, to meet additional general education requirements that are not included in the Transfer Module.

**TRANSFER STUDENT**

Any student applying to Kent State University who has attended any institution of higher learning since leaving high school.

**TRANSIENT COURSEWORK**

Coursework approved for Kent State University students who attend another accredited institution.

**TRANSIENT STUDENT**

Any student enrolled in another college or university who will attend Kent State University for one term.

**TRUSTEES**

(see BOARD OF TRUSTEES)

**TUITION**

A fee for instruction, especially at a formal institution of learning.

**TUTOR**

Person providing special study skills and assistance in a particular subject or academic program.

**UNDERGRADUATE**

A term applied to freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors who are pursuing a baccalaureate degree.

**UPPER DIVISION**

A student with junior or senior standing; also may refer to a course whose number begins with a 3 or 4.

**VOICE RESPONSE INFORMATION SYSTEM**

The Voice Response Information System (330-672-2378) is KSU's automated voice response telephone system, designed to allow students the ability to register and withdraw from classes, access information about their student account and pay tuition and fees, access grades at the end of the semester and access financial aid information.

**WEB for FACULTY® AND ADVISORS**

Web for Faculty® and Advisors (WFFA) is a secure, interactive and Web-based system that Kent State faculty members may use to view class rosters, complete registration transactions, access student information for advising and submit midterm and final grades. Access to the advising portion of WFFA is determined by the college and department. Questions concerning advising access should be referred to the dean's office. Questions regarding the use of WFFA may be directed to the University Helpdesk at 330-672-HELP (4357). Kent State faculty members may log into WFFA by clicking on the Web for Faculty® tab within *FlashLine* (at <http://flashline.kent.edu>) or by logging in at <http://wff.kent.edu>.

**WEB for STUDENTS®**

Web for Students® ([www.wfs.kent.edu](http://www.wfs.kent.edu)) is Kent State's online interactive secured Web site, designed to allow students the ability to access, monitor and change certain student record information. Prospective students can apply for admission, view the *Catalog* or access up-to-date class schedule offerings. Once enrolled, students can view their student record (including grades), access up-to-date class schedule offerings, register and withdraw from classes, view their financial aid information, access information about their student account and pay tuition and fees, request an official transcript, etc.

**WITHDRAW**

(see COURSE WITHDRAWAL)

**WORKSHOP**

A credit or noncredit activity that focuses on a participant's professional tasks. Instructional emphasis is given to mastery and application of knowledge, skills and attitudes that address a narrowly defined range of problems or issues related to practice. All credit workshops are graded satisfactory/unsatisfactory (S/U).

**WORK-STUDY (FINANCIAL AID)**

An employment program based upon determined financial need. An eligible student may be employed on campus for not more than an average of 20 hours per week to earn money to help pay for educational costs.

**WRITING-INTENSIVE COURSE REQUIREMENT**

A graduation requirement for all undergraduate students requiring completion of at least one upper-division course designated as "writing-intensive," with a grade of C (2.0) or better.

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# AREA MAP

Kent State University is located in Kent, Ohio, and is easily reached from all points in Northeast Ohio. The university fronts Route 59 and can be reached from Interstate 76 to the south and from the Ohio Turnpike to the north. For other major routes to the university, please check the area map shown above. Two major airports—Cleveland Hopkins and Akron-Canton—serve the university community.

## UNIVERSITY CALENDAR 2007—2008

### FALL SEMESTER—2007

New Student Orientation	.Aug. 22 (Wednesday) through Aug. 26 (Sunday)
Classes Begin	.Aug. 27 (Monday)
Labor Day	.Sept. 3 (Monday) No classes, offices closed
Columbus Day	.Oct. 8 (Monday) Observed Friday, Nov. 23
Veterans Day	.Nov. 11 (Sunday) Observed Nov. 12 (Monday) no classes, offices closed
Thanksgiving Recess	.Nov. 21 (Wednesday) Noon through Nov. 25 (Sunday); Offices closed Thursday and Friday
Classes End	.Dec. 9 (Sunday)
Final Examinations	.Dec. 10 (Monday) through December 16 (Sunday)
Commencement:	
Kent Campus	.Dec. 15 (Saturday)
Christmas Day	.Dec. 25 (Tuesday) Offices closed Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 24 and 25
New Year's Day	.Jan. 1 (Tuesday) Offices closed

### SPRING SEMESTER—2008

Martin Luther King Jr. Day	.Jan. 21 (Monday) No classes, offices closed
Classes Begin	.Jan. 14 (Monday)
Presidents Day	.Feb. 18 (Monday) Observed Monday, Dec. 24, 2007
Spring Recess	.March 17 (Monday) through March 23 (Sunday) No classes, offices open
Classes Resume	.March 24 (Monday)
Honors Week	.March 30 (Sunday) through April 5 (Saturday)
Remembrance Day	.May 4 (Sunday) Classes, or parts of classes, recess from noon through 2 p.m.
Classes End	.May 4 (Sunday)
Final Examinations	.May 5 (Monday) through May 11 (Sunday)
Commencements:	
Regional Campuses	.May 9 (Friday evening)
Kent Campus	.May 10 (Saturday) and May 11 (Sunday)

### SUMMER INTERSESSION—2008

Classes Begin	.May 19 (Monday)
Memorial Day	.May 26 (Monday) No classes, offices closed
Classes End	.June 6 (Friday)

### SUMMER I AND II—2008

Classes Begin	.June 9 (Monday)
Independence Day	.July 4 (Friday) No classes, offices closed
Classes End	.July 12 (Saturday): Summer I (five-week term)
Classes End	.Aug. 2 (Saturday): Summer II (eight-week term)

### SUMMER III—2008

Classes Begin	.July 14 (Monday)
Classes End	.Aug. 16 (Saturday): Summer III (five-week term)
Commencement	.Aug. 16 (Saturday)

Note: Registration will take place prior to the beginning of each semester, and late registration will be conducted during the first week of each semester. Specific dates for registration and late registration are available on the Office of the University Registrar's Web site: <http://www.registrars.kent.edu/home/>.

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