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Accreditation: Kean University is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education and is licensed by the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education. All major programs in professional education are accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education and the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (NCATE/CAEP) and by the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification. See the current catalog for the full listing of program accreditations.

History: Kean University is a comprehensive public university. Founded in 1855 as the Newark Normal School, it became The New Jersey State Teachers College at Newark in 1937. In 1958, the college relocated from Newark to Union Township, and the school became Newark State College, a comprehensive institution providing a full range of academic programs. Renamed Kean College of New Jersey in 1973, the institution earned university status in 1997 becoming Kean University. Kean University offers classes in Union and Toms River, New Jersey and in Wenzhou, China.

Calendar: Under the NJ State Administrative Code, Title 9A, a 3-credit course meets for 150 minutes of contact time each week for 15 weeks or the equivalent amount of contact in shorter sessions. Thus, the unit of credits is the semester hour.

Transfer Credit: Transfer courses are evaluated and accepted for credit toward the degree, but are not included in the GPA.

Graduation Requirements: Undergraduate degrees require a minimum of 120 credits with a cumulative GPA of 2.00 and courses in the major with a grade of C or better. The residency requirement is 32 semester hours, including one-half of the program requirement of each major and minor. Individual programs may require a higher GPA for degree conferral, see the catalog for details.

Graduate degrees require a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00. Minimum number of credits varies by degree and major, see catalog for details. Graduate students may transfer a maximum of 6 credits.

Graduation Honors: Undergraduate students who have completed at least 45 credits at Kean (excluding credits earned as P/F or S/U) are eligible for the following honors:

GPA Range	Honor
3.45 – 3.64	Cum Laude
3.65 – 3.84	Magna Cum Laude
3.85 – 4.00	Summa Cum Laude

Undergraduate students at the Kean Ocean campus may substitute transfer courses to meet the 45-credit requirement if equivalent courses are not offered during the student's semesters of enrollment. Additional restrictions apply: see the catalog for details.

Graduate students who have achieved a GPA of 4.00 in their program and who have received "Commendation" on their comprehensive examination (if required) will graduate "With Distinction."

Research Honors:

Distinction in Research – Completion of Research 1st Initiative core course requirements

Honors Distinction in Research – Completion of Research 1st Initiative core courses, two semesters of independent research and senior research thesis

Course Numbering:

Course #	Description
0000	Developmental level, providing remediation of basic skills deficiencies. No credit granted.
1000	Undergraduate introductory level, broad-based in nature; prerequisites are usually not necessary.
2000	Undergraduate intermediate level, the second course in a discipline; one prerequisite is sometimes necessary.
3000–4000	Undergraduate advanced levels, providing greater depth in a more defined area of scholarship; one or more prerequisites are generally necessary.
5000–8000	Graduate level.

The holder of this transcript can verify its authenticity in the following ways:

- The name **KEAN UNIVERSITY** is repeated in blue across the face of the document.
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Grading System:

Symbol	Explanation	Quality		
		Points	In GPA	Record
A	Excellent	4.0	Yes	All
A-	Excellent	3.7	Yes	All
B+	Good	3.3	Yes	All
B	Good	3.0	Yes	All
B-	Good	2.7	Yes	All
C+	Fair	2.3	Yes	All
C	Fair	2.0	Yes	All
D	Poor	1.0	Yes	UG Only
F	Fail	0.0	Yes	All
AF	Administrative Failure	0.0	Yes	All
ASC	Advanced Standing Credits			
AU	Audit	—	No	All
CBE	Credit by Exam		No	UG Only
CG	Credit Granted	—	No	Grad Only
IC	Incomplete Credit		No	Grad Only
IN	Incomplete	—	No	All
IP	Incomplete (P/F courses only)	—	No	UG Only
LV	Leave of Absence		No	All
NA	Never Attended	—	No	All
NC	No Credit		No	Grad Only
NR	No Record	—	No	All
P	Pass		No	UG Only
R*	Recalculation of Repeated Course	—	No	UG Only
RP	Progress Reported (Developmental Courses)	—	No	UG Only
S	Satisfactory	—	No	UG Only
U	Unsatisfactory		No	UG Only
W,WD,WF	Withdrawn	—	No	All
X*	Academic Amnesty		No	UG Only

* For the two marks above (R and X), the grade originally earned by the student appears after the R or X.

Method of GPA Calculation: Students will have separate GPA calculations for undergraduate and graduate records. GPAs are computed by dividing the number of credits completed into the quality points. Undergraduate courses that have been repeated one or more times will appear and be counted each time in the cumulative GPA unless noted as a recalculated grade substitution, designated with the R symbol as noted above. Graduate courses cannot be repeated for GPA recalculation.

Dean's List: Full-time undergraduate students – announced each fall and spring. To qualify, the student must be matriculated and have earned a semester GPA of 3.45 or better for at least 12 credit hours (not including incomplete courses or those taken with a P/F or S/U option). All courses completed in the semester must have been passed for earned credit.

Part-time undergraduate students – announced each spring. To qualify, the student must be matriculated and have earned a GPA of 3.45 or better for at least 12 cumulative credits during that academic year (fall and spring combined), not including incomplete courses or those courses taken with a P/F or S/U option. All courses completed in the two terms must have been passed for earned credit.

Graduate students are not eligible for Dean's List honors.

Probation/Dismissal: Matriculated, undergraduate students earning a cumulative GPA less than 2.00 are subject to academic probation. A cumulative GPA that places a student on academic probation for the third time makes the student subject to dismissal from the University. Probations and dismissals are not noted on the transcript.

Matriculated, graduate students who do not maintain a 3.00 GPA after 6 calculated credits are subject to probation. Students who do not maintain a 3.00 GPA after 12 calculated credits are subject to dismissal. Probations and dismissals are not noted on the transcript.

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