



TWO DEGREES, ONE PATH

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE 2024-2025

Associate in Arts to
Bachelor of Arts in Law

Overview

Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for the Associate in Arts (AA) degree at Gateway Community and Technical College (GCTC) and leads to the Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Law degree at Northern Kentucky University (NKU).

Applying to the Gateway2NKU Program

Students can apply to participate in the pathway program by completing the online application on the NKU transfer webpage. Students must be enrolled in at least six credit hours at Gateway CTC, enrolled in an associate degree program, plan to transfer to NKU, and maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA at Gateway CTC.

Degree Requirements for GCTC

1) Completion of minimum 60 credit hours, 2) minimum cumulative GPA 2.0, 3) minimum of 15 credit hours earned at the institution awarding the degree, 4) cultural competence course, 5) demonstration of digital literacy, and 6) college success requirement.

Admission Requirements to NKU

Students completing an associate degree with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher will be accepted into NKU.

Degree Requirements for NKU

To earn a bachelor's degree at NKU, students must complete a minimum of 120 credit hours with at least 45 credit hours numbered 300 and above. In addition, at least 25% of the credit hours required for the degree and the last 30 credit hours must be completed at NKU. Students must have an overall GPA of 2.0 and meet all prerequisites for courses and requirements for the major.

General Transfer Information

Students must complete the online application to NKU. There is no application fee for students who are transferring from GCTC.

KCTCS Scholars Award: Students who are KY residents transferring directly from a KCTCS institution with at least 36 hours from that institution and minimum GPA of 3.0, were never enrolled as a degree-seeking student at NKU, and will be enrolled in at least 12 credit hours both fall and spring semester are eligible for a limited number of \$2,500 annual scholarships (\$1,250 per fall and spring). Students must gain admission to NKU by June 15 for fall and November 1 for spring to be eligible for a possible scholarship. Online accelerated programs are not eligible for the KCTCS Scholars Award.

GCTC AA TO NKU BA IN LAW CHECKLIST

Gateway Community and Technical College

Category 1: GCTC General Education Core Requirements

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
ENG 101	Writing I (WC)	3	ENG 101	
ENG 102	Writing II (WC)	3	ENG 102	
TBS XXX	Oral Communication (OC)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts and Humanities (AH) Heritage	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts and Humanities (AH) Humanities	3	TBD XXX	
POL 101	American Government (SB)	3	PSC 100	
JUS 101U	Introduction to Criminal Justice (SB)	3	JUS 101	
TBS XXX	Social & Behavioral Sciences Course (SB)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Quantitative Reasoning (QR)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Quantitative Reasoning or Natural Science (QR/NS)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural Science Course (SL)	4	TBD XXX	
	Subtotal General Education Core Courses	34		

TBS XXX means to be selected by GCTC student.

TBD XXX means to be determined by NKU based on course selected.

For Social and Behavioral Sciences courses, two disciplines must be represented and different from those in the Arts and Humanities category.

Category 2: GCTC AA Requirements

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities (AH), Social/Behavioral Science (SB), Foreign Language (FL) Elective, or Oral Communication (OC) Elective	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities (AH), Social/Behavioral Science (SB), Foreign Language (FL), or Oral Communication Elective (OC)	3	TBD XXX	
	Subtotal AS Requirement Courses	6		

Students should select courses toward a minor or focus area.

Category 3: GCTC Electives

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
FYE 105	Achieving Academic Success	3	UNV 100T	
CIT 105 or OST 105	Introduction to Computers or Introduction to Information Systems	3	BIS 101	
PGL 111	Legal Systems and Terminology	3	PSC 204	

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
PGL 212	Legal Communication and Persuasion	3	ENG 345	
Taken at NKU	Select three courses to be taken at NKU: Traditional Grammar Criminal Law Constitutional Law Perspectives on the Law	9	ENG 371 JUS 302 PSC 307 PSC 375	
	Subtotal Elective Courses	21		
	Total Associate Degree Hours	61		

Degree Requirement: One course must be selected from the KCTCS identified Cultural Competence course list in the KCTCS catalog.

Northern Kentucky University

Category 4: NKU Major Requirements for the BA in Law

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
PSC 204	Introduction to the Law	3	PGL 111	X
PSC 307	Constitutional Law	3		Option at NKU
PSC 375	Perspectives on Law	3		Option at NKU
ENG 371	Traditional Grammar	3		Option at NKU
JUS 302	Criminal Law	3		Option at NKU
JUS 335 or LAW 335	Legal Research Legal Research	3		
LAW 300	The American Legal System I	3		
LAW 301	The American Legal System II	3		
LAW 370	Conflict Management & Dispute Resolution	3		
LAW 435	Legal Communication and Persuasion	3		
ENG 345 JOU 485 JUS 203 JUS 301 JUS 303 JUS 313 JUS 351 JUS 402 JUS 404 JUS 413 JUS 414 JUS 496 LAW 320 LAW 324 LAW 380 LAW 394 LAW 405	Choose 15 credit hours from the following: Legal Writing (3 credits) Mass Communication Law (3 credits) The Criminal Court System (3 credits) Ethics in Criminal Justice (3 credits) Criminal Procedure (3 credits) Rights of the Convicted (3 credits) White Collar Crime (3 credits) Alternatives to Incarceration (3 credits) Evidence Preparation and Courtroom Testimony (3 credits) Flawed Criminal Justice Policies (3 credits) Death Penalty (3 credits) Internship: Justice Studies (1-6 credits) Legal History (3 credits) Environmental Law (3 credits) Family Law (3 credits) Special Topics in Law (3 credits) Financial Institutions and the Law (3 credits)	18	PGL 212 JUS 230	3 hours complete (need 15 more)

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
LAW 410	Immigration and Refugee Law and Policy (3 credits)			
LAW 420	Employment Law (3 credits)			
LAW 450	Trial Practice (3 credits)			
LAW 480	Sports and the Law (3 credits)			
LAW 485	Appellate Practice (3 credits)			
LAW 496	Internship: Law (3 credits)			
LDR 381	Organizational Ethics and Decision Making (3 credits)			
PAD 512	Administrative Law (3 credits)			
PSC 201	American Rights and Freedoms (3 credits)			
PSC 301	American Political Institutions (3 credits)			
PSC 305	The Judicial Process (3 credits)			
PSC 308	Civil Liberties (3 credits)			
PSC 403	Politics in Action (3 credits)			
PSC 480	International Law (3 credits)			
PSC 496	Internship in Political Science (1-15 credits)			
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU	30		
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at GCTC	15		
	Total Major Credit Hours	45		

Category 5: Additional Requirements at NKU

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
	Subtotal Focus/Minor Hours	12-24		
	Subtotal Elective (300/400 level) Hours	5-17		
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	120		

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