



TWO DEGREES, ONE PATH

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE 2025-2026

Associate in Arts to
Bachelor of Science in Health Science Transdisciplinary Track

Overview

Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for an Associate in Arts (AA) at the Gateway Community and Technical College (GCTC) and leads to the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Health Science 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. Demonstration of digital literacy
5. 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. In addition, there are eligibility requirements for the BS degree in Health Science Transdisciplinary Track:

- Admission to NKU
- Minimum GPA of 2.50 (high school or 1-29 hours of college coursework)
- Minimum GPA of 2.30 (30 or more hours of college coursework)
- Evaluation of transfer credit hours and program planning is individualized; each student is assisted by a program advisor.

Students enrolled in the transdisciplinary track may be able to complete the program online with proper course selection.

Degree Requirements for NKU

To earn a bachelor's degree at NKU, students must

1. Complete a minimum of 120 credit hours
2. Complete at least 25% of the credit hours required at NKU
3. Complete the last 30 credit hours at NKU
4. Complete at least 45 credit hours numbered 300 or above
5. Minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA across all major coursework
6. Meet all requirements for the major
7. Completion of a minor, focus, or second major (if required by 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 annual scholarships (fall and spring only). 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.

Tuition and scholarship information specific to transfer students can be viewed on the [NKU Adult & Transfer Center website](#).

GCTC AA TO NKU BS IN HEALTH SCIENCES TRANSDISCIPLINARY TRACK 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	
COM 181	Basic Public Speaking (OC)	3	CMST 101	
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities (AH) – Heritage	3	TBD XXX	
PHI 110	Medical Ethics (AH)	3	PHI 220	
PSY 110	General Psychology (SB)	3	PSY 100	
COM 254	Introduction to Intercultural Communication (SB)	3	CMST 355	
PSY 223	Psychology (SB)	3	PSY 321	
BIO 135 or BIO 137	Basic Anatomy and Physiology with Laboratory (SL) or Anatomy and Physiology I with Lab	4	BIO 121/121L or BIO 208/208L	
MAT 151	Introduction to Applied Statistics (QR)	3	STA 100G	
STA 251	Applied Statistics	3	STA 205	
	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.

Students may take either BIO 135: Basic Anatomy and Physiology (4) or both BIO 137: Human Anatomy and Physiology I (4) and BIO 139: Human Anatomy and Physiology II (4).

Student must earn a C or better in all the general education core courses having an NKU equivalency.

STA 251 equates to STA 205 only with the completion of MAT 151.

Category 2: GCTCS AA Requirements

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
COM 252	Introduction to Interpersonal Communication	3	CMST 220	
PSY 298	Fundamentals of Psychopathology	3	PSY 333	
	Subtotal AA Requirement Courses	6		

Category 3: GCTCS Electives

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
CIT 105 or OST 105*	Introduction to Computers or Introduction to Information Systems	3	INF 101	
FYE 105 or FYE 110	Achieving Academic Success or First Year Experience and Applications	3	UNV 100T	
Any CHE or PHY course	Any Chemistry or Physics course	3	TBD XXX	
HMS 220	Cultural Diversity in Human Services	3	HSR 303	
NFS 101	Human Nutrition and Wellness	3	BIO 126	
Taken At NKU	Introduction to Health Professions	3	HSC 101	
TBS XXX or Taken at NKU	Select a Gateway or NKU course to fulfill degree requirements.	3	TBD XXX	
	Subtotal Elective Courses	21		
	Total Associate Degree Hours	61-62		

*If completing digital literacy using other means (like FYE 110), additional credits will be required in order to fulfill elective requirements.

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Category 4: NKU Major Requirements for BS in Health Science

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
HSC 101	Introduction to Health Professions	3	NKU Course	x
HSC 410	Healthcare Management	3		
HSC 413	Aging in Today's Society	3		
HSC 421	Healthcare Research	3		
HSC 440	Issues in Chronic Disease Management	3		
HSC 480	Global Perspectives of Health Care	3		
HHS 500	Teaching & Learning in Healthcare Education	3		
HEA 230 or BIO 125	Personal Health & Wellness or Biological Perspectives of Wellness	3		
HEA 370	Community Health	3		
BIO 126	Human Nutrition	3	NFS 101	x
BIO 121/121L or BIO 208/208L+ or BIO 209/209L	Diseases and the Systems They Affect or Human Anatomy & Physiology I with Lab Human Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab	4-8	BIO 135 or BIO 137 + BIO 139	x
TBD XXX	Any CHE or PHY course	3	TBS XXX	x
CMST 220 or CMST 303	Interpersonal Communication or Organizational Communication	3	COM 252	x
CMST 403 or HCOM 301 or HCOM 305	Health Communication or Health Communication or Patient-Provider Communication	3		
HIN 355	Foundations of Health Informatics	3		
LDR 300 or	Foundations of Leadership or	3		

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
LDR 308	Leadership Development			
PHI 200/PHI 220	Introduction to Ethics or Health Care Ethics	3	PHI 110	x
PSY 100	Intro to Psychology	3	PSY 110	x
PSY 344	Industrial/Organizational Psychology	3		
PSY 321	Lifespan Development	3	PSY 223	x
STA 205	Statistical Methods	3	MAT 151 + STA 251	x
	Select 5 (15 hours) electives from the health issues or life changes; culture; or additional electives categories in the course catalog.	15	PSY 298 COM 254 HMS 220 PSY 230	x (6 more hours needed)
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU	39		
	Subtotal Credit Hours at GCTC	61-62		
	Total Major Credit Hours	79-83		

Category 5: Additional Requirements at NKU

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTCS Course	Taken at GCTC
	Subtotal Minor and Elective Credit Hours Taken at NKU	19-20		
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	120		

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