TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE
2023-2024

Associate of Arts To
Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies

Overview
Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for the Associate of Arts (AA) degree at Cincinnati State (CState) and leads to the Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Communication Studies degree at Northern Kentucky University (NKU).

Applying to the CState2NKU 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 Cincinnati State, enrolled in an associate degree program, plan to transfer to NKU, and maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA at Cincinnati State.

Degree Requirements for Cincinnati State
1) Completion of minimum 62 credit hours, 36 of which from approved Ohio Transfer 36 courses, 2) minimum cumulative GPA 2.0, 3) completion of an FYE course as part of the first 12 credit hours taken at Cincinnati State, and 4) completion of Cooperative Education.

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

This major can be completed face-to-face or online. If completed fully online, courses are offered in seven-week formats. Tuition for online accelerated programs differs from face-to-face tuition. Scholarship pricing is available to Cincinnati State students who choose to enroll in the fully online program. Visit our website for more information about the Communication Studies Accelerated Online program.

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, earn a C- or better in all major and minor courses, and meet all prerequisites for courses and requirements for the major. Students must complete a focus or minor as indicated on the pathway.

Advising Note

Students in the CState2NKU program should work closely with their advisors when choosing courses. This document serves as a guide but does not replace academic advising. When choosing Cincinnati State courses, student may also consult the Associate of Arts advising brochure or the catalog for A and B list courses in Arts and Humanities or Social and Behavioral Sciences.

CINCINNATI STATE AA TO NKU BA IN COMMUNICATION STUDIES

Cincinnati State

Category 1: Ohio Transfer 36 Requirements

CState Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
ENG 101	English Composition 1	3	ENG 101	
ENG 102	English Composition 2: Contemporary Issues	3	ENG 102	
COMM 110	Public Speaking	3	CMST 101	
TBS XXX	Arts/Humanities List A Elective	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts/Humanities List B Elective	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Social/Behavioral Sciences List A Elective	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Social/Behavioral Sciences List B Elective	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective 1	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective 2	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Mathematics Elective	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural/Physical Science Elective 1	4-5	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural/Physical Science Elective 2	3-5	TBD XXX	
	Subtotal General Education Core	**37-40**		

TBS XXX means to be selected by Cincinnati student.
TBD XXX means to be determined by NKU based on course selected at Cincinnati State.

Category 2: CState Degree Requirements for the AA and NKU Recommendations

CState Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
FYE 1XX	First Year Experience Elective	1-3	UNV 100T	
HUM 190	Career Exploration Seminar: Associate of Arts and Sciences	2	CEP 101	
HUM 191 or HUM 192 or HUM 291 or HUM 292 or HUM 296	Part-Time Cooperative Education 1 or Part-Time Cooperative Education 2 or Full-Time Cooperative Education 1 or Full-Time Cooperative Education 2 or Full-Time Career Education Project	2	CEP 300	
COMM 105	Interpersonal Communication	3	CMST 220	
COMM 120	Mass Media and Society	3	EMB 100	
TBS XXX	Choose two Electives - Consider at least one of the following: IT 110: HTML with CSS and JavaScript MGT 101: Principles of Management MKT 101: Principles of Marketing	6-8	TBD XXX INF 286 MGT 205 MKT 205	
TBS XXX	Elective	3	TBD XXX	
	Total Associate Degree Credit Hours	**62**		

Students may also opt to take an elective course(s) at NKU.

Northern Kentucky University

Category 3: NKU Major Requirements for the BA in Communication Studies

NKU Course	Course	Credits	CState Course	Taken at CState
CMST 101	Public Speaking	3	COMM 110	x
CMST 220	Interpersonal Communication	3	COMM 105	x
CMST 230	Small Group Communication	3		
CMST 300	Research Methods in Communication Studies	3		
CMST 303	Organizational Communication	3		
CMST 310 or CMST 340 or CMST 410	Argumentation or Strategies of Persuasion or Rhetorical Theory and Criticism	3		
CMST 355	Culture and Communication	3		
CMST 370	Advanced Public Speaking	3		
CMST 430	Communication Theories	3		
CMST XXX	Select two 200/300/400-level CMST courses	6		
TBS XXX	Select one CMST, EMB, JOU, DFX, POP, PRE, or 400/500-level COM course not used as a general education course	3		
Select 2: BIS 101 CMST 396 ENG 340 ENG 347 ENG 349 INF 286 JOU 220 JOU 305 LDR 300 MGT 205 MKT 205	Select two courses from the following: Fundamentals of Business Computing Internship: Communication Business Writing Technical Writing Web Writing for the Professions Introduction to Web Development News Writing Science in the Media Foundations of Leadership Business Management Principles Principles of Marketing	6	IT 110 COMM 115 MGT 101 MKT 101	x (may need 0-2 courses based on selection at CState)
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU	**27**		
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at CState	**15**		
	Total Major Credit Hours	**42**		

Category 4: Additional Requirements at NKU

NKU Course	Course	Credits	CState Course	Taken at CState
	Subtotal Minor Credit Hours Taken at NKU	**12-24**		
	Subtotal Elective (300/400 level) Hours	**4-16**		
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	**120**		