TWO DEGREES, ONE PATH

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE
2024-2025

Associate in Arts to Bachelor of Arts in English

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 Arts (BA) in English 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, 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, earn a C or higher in each course used to fulfill the major or minor requirements, and meet all prerequisites for courses and requirements for the major. All English majors are required to demonstrate (1) intermediate-level proficiency in a foreign language previously spoken or used to satisfy the NKU entrance requirement or (2) novice-level-proficiency in a second foreign language. Students can demonstrate intermediate-level-proficiency by either completing the appropriate 200-level course in the language studied in high school or by attaining an acceptable score on the CLEP test in that language.

uStudents can demonstrate novice-level-proficiency by completing two semesters of a language not previously studied or spoken. Students must complete a focus or minor as indicated on the pathway.

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 ENGLISH 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 Course (OC)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities (AH) – Heritage	3	TBD XXX	
ENG 161	Introduction to Literature (AH)	3	ENG 200	
TBS XXX	Social & Behavioral Sciences Course (SB)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Social & Behavioral Sciences Course (SB)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Social & Behavioral Sciences Course (SB)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural Science Course with Lab (SL)	4	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Quantitative Reasoning Course (QR)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural Science Course (SL) OR Quantitative Reasoning Course (QR)	3	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
ENG 107U	Writing Craft: Intro to Imaginative Writing	3	ENG 231	
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities (AH), Social & Behavioral Sciences (SB), Oral Communication (OC), or Foreign Language (FL) elective	3	TBD XXX	
	Subtotal AA Requirement Courses	**6**		

See the note regarding foreign language proficiency on the title page of the document. Students may use this elective space toward this requirement.

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	BIS 101	
FYE 105	Achieving Academic Success	3	UNV 101	

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
TBS XXX	Elective or Foreign Language Intermediate Level	3	TBD XXX	
Taken at NKU	Introduction to English Studies	3	ENG 250	
Taken at NKU	Introduction to Writing Studies	3	ENG 204	
TBS XXX or Taken at NKU	Choose a course from one of the tracks in Categories 5 to 8 or a course toward a minor	3		
TBS XXX or Taken at NKU	Choose a course from one of the tracks in Categories 5 to 8 or a course toward a minor	3		
	Subtotal Elective Courses	**21**		
	Total Associate Degree Hours	**61**		

If completing digital literacy using other means, additional credits will be required in order to fulfill elective requirements.

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 English

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
ENG 250	Introduction to English Studies	3	Taken at NKU	x
ENG 204	Introduction to Writing Studies	3	Taken at NKU	x
ENG 231	Introduction to Creative Writing	3	ENG 107U	x
ENG 307	Diverse Voices in English Studies	3		
TBS XXX	Choose one of the following four tracks: Creative Writing Track Literary and Cultural Studies Track Public and Professional Writing Track Open Focus Track (Required courses are listed in Categories 5-8 tables below.)	24-27	ENG 161 (except for Open Focus Track)	x Still need 21-24 credits
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU	**24-27**		
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at GCTC	**12**		
	Total Major Credit Hours	**36-39**		

Category 5: NKU Major Requirements for the Creative Writing Track

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
ENG 332	Fiction Writing	3		
ENG 334	Poetry Writing	3		

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
ENG 336	Creative Nonfiction Writing	3		
Choose 2: ENG 335 ENG 358 ENG 430 ENG 431 ENG 434 ENG 436 ENG 542	Choose two courses from the following: Craft of Creative Writing Writing in Creative Genres Advanced Poetry Writing Screenwriting Advanced Fiction Writing Advanced Creative Nonfiction Writing Teaching and Practice/Creative Writing	6	FLM 210 = ENG 431	
ENG XXX	Choose two ENG courses numbered 300 or higher	6	ENG 203 = ENG 340 ENG 208 = ENG 318 ENG 234 = ENG 305 ENG 281 = ENG 302	
ENG XXX	Choose one ENG course numbered 200 or higher	3	ENG 161 = ENG 200	x
Choose 1: ENG 450 ENG 496	Choose one course from the following: Capstone in English Studies Internship: Various	3		
	Additional Credit Hours for Track	**24**		

Category 6: NKU Major Requirements for the Literary and Cultural Studies Track

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
Choose 2: ENG 308 ENG 309 ENG 323 ENG 350 ENG 355 ENG 384 ENG 404 ENG 421 ENG 451 ENG 452 ENG 461 ENG 462 ENG 472	Choose two courses from Group A: Shakespeare I Shakespeare II Writers in Context Critical Theory Contemporary Literature Modern Poetry Arthurian Legend Restoration and Eighteenth Century Literature British Romanticism Victorian Literature Nineteenth Century American Literature Modern American Literature Studies in British Modernism	6		
Choose 2: ENG 300	Choose two courses from Group B: American Women Poets	6		

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
ENG 301 ENG 322 ENG 326 ENG 368 ENG 380 ENG 418 ENG 455 ENG 456 ENG 470 ENG 477 ENG 570	American Novel Literature and Sexuality Literature and the Environment The Graphic Novel Studies in Literature and Other Arts Gender and Early Modern Literature British Narrative Fantasy The Gothic in Literature and the Arts Twentieth Century British Novel Irish Literary Renaissance American Folklore			
ENG XXX	Choose two ENG courses numbered 300 or higher	6	ENG 203 = ENG 340 ENG 208 = ENG 318 ENG 234 = ENG 305 ENG 281 = ENG 302 FLM 210 = ENG 431	
ENG XXX	Choose one ENG course numbered 200 or higher	3	ENG 161 = ENG 200	x
Choose 1: ENG 450 ENG 494 ENG 496	Choose one course from the following: Capstone in English Studies Senior Seminar Internship: Various	3		
	Additional Credit Hours for Track	**21**		

Category 7: NKU Major Requirements for the Public and Professional Writing Track

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
ENG 351	Rhetorical Theories & Writing Practices	3		
Choose 3: ENG 331 ENG 338 ENG 340 ENG 347 ENG 348 ENG 349 ENG 371 ENG 394	Choose three courses from the following: Persuasive Writing Writing for Social Change Business Writing Technical Writing Editing and Content Development Content Development for Web Traditional Grammar Topics (must be approved by department)	9	ENG 203 = ENG 340	

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
ENG 496 ENG 497 ENG 544 ENG 546 ENG 556	Internship: Various (1-3 credits) Projects: Writing (1-3 credits) Research/Methods in Professional Writing Grant Writing Composition Theories (1-3 credits)			
ENG XXX	Choose two ENG courses numbered 300 or higher	6	ENG 208 = ENG 318 ENG 234 = ENG 305 ENG 281 = ENG 302 FLM 210 = ENG 431	
ENG XXX	Choose one ENG course numbered 200 or higher	3	ENG 161 = ENG 200	x
Choose 1: ENG 450 ENG 496	Choose one course from the following: Capstone in English Studies Internship: Various	3		
	Additional Credit Hours for Track	**21**		

Category 8: NKU Major Requirements for the Open Focus Track

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
ENG XXX	Choose 21 credit hours of English courses at the 300-, 400- and 500-level from courses not used to fulfill any other requirements, including general education requirements.	21	ENG 203 = ENG 340 ENG 208 = ENG 318 ENG 234 = ENG 305 ENG 281 = ENG 302 FLM 210 = ENG 431	
Choose 1: ENG 450 ENG 496	Choose one course from the following: Capstone in English Studies Internship: Various	3		
	Additional Credit Hours for Track	**24**		

Category 9: Additional Requirements at NKU

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTCS Course	Taken at GCTC
	Subtotal Minor Credit Hours Taken at NKU	**12-24**		
	Subtotal Elective (300/400 level) Hours	**8-23**		
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	**120**		

Major credit hours at NKU, credit hours for a minor, and total elective credit hours at NKU could vary depending on the courses taken while at GCTC.

Updated April 2024