TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE
2023-2024

Associate in Arts to Bachelor of Arts in Middle Grade Education – English/Communications and Social Studies Tracks

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 Middle Grades Education – English/Communications and Social Studies Tracks 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, 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. In addition, students must meet the following requirements for admission into Education. Courses in parentheses are GCTC course equivalencies.
- A minimum overall GPA of 2.75
- A minimum grade of "B" in CMST 101 (COM 181) and ENG 102 (ENG 102)
- A minimum grade of "C" in all other pre-admission courses and required EDU and EDS courses which include EDU 300 (EDP 202), EDU 305 (EDU 201), EDU 313 (EDU 204), and EDS 360 (EDP 203).
- Meet the entrance exam requirement through an approved combination of passing scores on the ACT and/or Praxis I Core Academic Skills for Educators exams
    - ACT Comp. 22 -OR-
    - Reading (ACT: 20 -or- Praxis I: 156) and
    - Eng./Writing (ACT: 18 -or- Praxis I: 162) and
    - Mathematics (ACT: 19 -or- Praxis I: 150)

ACT scores must be less than 5 years old at time of admissions semester
- Pass criminal background check
- 60 semester hours completed
- An acceptable portfolio
- A completed application to the Teacher Education 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 majoring in Middle Grades Education must maintain a GPA of 2.75 overall and in major courses and earn a minimum grade of C in all education courses. Students must meet the pre-requisites for each course. No minor is required for this 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 MIDDLE GRADES EDUCATION (ENGLISH/COMMUNICATIONS AND SOCIAL STUDIES TRACKS) CHECKLIST

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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	
ENG 161	Introduction to Literature (AH)	3	ENG 200	
HIS 108	History of the United States Through 1865	3	HIS 102	
TBS XXX	Quantitative Reasoning (QR)	3	TBD XXX	
PSY 110	General Psychology (SB)	3	PSY 100	
GEO 152	Regional Geography of the World (SB)	3	GEO 101	
ANT 160 or SOC 101	Cultural Diversity in the Modern World (SB) OR Introduction to Sociology (SB)	3	ANT 100 or SOC 100	
TBS XXX	Natural Science Course with lab (SL)	4	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Quantitative Reasoning or Natural Sciences (QR/NS)	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 251	Survey of American Literature I	3	ENG 208	
ENG 252	Survey of American Literature II	3	ENG 209	
	Subtotal AA Requirement Courses	**6**		

Category 3: GCTC Electives

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
FYE 105	Achieving Academic Success	3	UNV 100T	
HIS 109	History of the United States Since 1865	3	HIS 103	
Select 1: HIS 101 HIS 102 ENG 107U	Select one course from the following: World Civilization I World Civilization II Writing Craft: Introduction to Imaginative Writing	3	HIS 108 HIS 109 ENG 231	

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
EDP 202	Human Development and Learning	3	EDU 300	
EDP 203	Teaching Exceptional Learners in Regular Classroom	3	EDS 360	
EDU 201	Introduction to American Education	3	EDU 305	
EDU 204	Technology in the Classroom	3	EDU 313	
	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.

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Category 4: NKU Major Requirements for BA in Middle Grades Education (English/Communications and Social Studies Tracks)

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
EDU 104	Orientation: Education Profession/Program	Waived		
EDU 300	Human Growth and Development	3	EDP 202	x
EDU 304	Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum: Middle Grades	3		
EDU 305	Introduction to Education	2	EDU 201	x
EDU 309	Admission Field Experience Middle Grades	2		
EDU 313	Instructional Technology	3	EDU 204	x
EDU 316	Education in a Multicultural Society	3		
EDU 318	Classroom Climate Management: Middle School	2		
EDU 343	Educational Assessment Middle Schools	2		
EDU 344	Fundamentals of Middle Grades Education	2		
EDU 391	Middle Grades Field Experience I	2		
EDU 394	Middle Grades Field Experience II	2		
EDU 495	Clinical Experience Middle Grades	12		
EDS 323	Instructional Planning for Inclusive Middle Level Classrooms	3		
EDS 360	Students with Exceptionalities in Schools	3	EDP 203	x
PSY 100	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY 110	x
CMST 101	Public Speaking	3	COM 181	x
ENG 102	Advanced College Writing	3	ENG 102	x
EDU 345 EDU 348	Methods courses: Teaching Language Arts in Middle Grades Teaching Social Studies in Middle Grades	6		
	English/Communications Track			
ENG 200	Understanding Literature	3	ENG 161	x
ENG 208	Survey of American Literature I	3	ENG 251	x
ENG 209	Survey of American Literature II	3	ENG 252	x
ENG 102	Advanced College Writing	3	ENG 102	x
ENG 371	Traditional Grammar	3		

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
ENG 530	Readings in the English Language	3		
CMST 310	Argumentation	3		
ENG 231 or ENG 331	Introduction to Creative Writing or Persuasive Writing	3	ENG 107U	Option
	Social Studies Track			
HIS 102	History of the United States through 1877	3	HIS 108	X
HIS 103	History of the United States since 1877	3	HIS 109	X
HIS 108	World History to 1500	3	HIS 101	Option
HIS 109	World History since 1500	3	HIS 102	Option
GEO 101	World Regional Geography	3	GEO 152	x
PSC 102	Comparative Politics	3		
ECO 205	Economics for Teachers	3		
ANT 100 or SOC 100	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology or Introduction to Sociology	3	ANT 160 SOC 101	x
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU	**60**		
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at GCTC	**47**		
	Total Major Credit Hours	**107**		
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	**121**		

EDU 309 is waived if student provides documentation of 50 hours of field experience in an education setting. If EDU 309 is waived, student must complete EDU 334: Portfolio Development (1 credit).

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