



TWO DEGREES, ONE PATH

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE 2024-2025

Associate in Arts to Bachelor of Science in Psychological Science

Overview

Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for an Associate in Arts (AA) at Gateway Community and Technical College (GCTC) and leads to the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Psychological Science 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, enrolled in an associate degree program, plan to transfer to NKU, and maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA at Gateway.

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. Students must complete a focus or minor as indicated on the pathway.

Psychological Science majors must have a grade of C- or better in all courses applied toward certification of the major or minor, as well as an overall 2.00 GPA in the discipline. They are required to participate in a standardized assessment test given by the department prior to graduating. Transfer students in the Department of Psychological Science are required to complete 21 hours in psychology at NKU.

General Transfer Information

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

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 BS IN PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE

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	
FAM 253	Human Sexuality: Development, Behavior, and Attitudes (SB)	3	PSY 315	
PSY 110	General Psychology (SB)	3	PSY 100	
PSY 223	Developmental Psychology (SB)	3	PSY 321	
MAT 151	Introduction to Applied Statistics	3	STA 100G	
STA 251	Applied Statistics (QR)	3	STA 205	
TBS XXX	Natural Science Course (SL)	4	TBD XXX	
	Subtotal General Education 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.

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

Category 2: GCTC AA Requirements

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
PSY 298	Essentials of Abnormal Psychology	3	PSY 333	
PSY 297	Psychology of Aging	3	PSY 200T	
	Subtotal AA Requirement Courses	6		

Foreign language courses meet requirement for Track A in Psychological Science major at NKU. See page 4 for more info on Track A and Track B.

Category 3: GCTC Electives

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
CIT 105 or OST 105	Introduction to Computers or Intro to Information Systems	3	BIS 101	
FYE 105	Achieving Academic Success	3	UNV 100T	
INF 120	Elementary Programming	3	INF 120	
Taken at NKU	Research Methods and Lab	5	PSY 210	
Taken at NKU	Career Planning for Psychology Majors	1	PSY 210R	

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
Taken at NKU	Psychological Testing & Measurement	3	PSY 305	
Taken at NKU	Animal Learning	3	PSY 337	
	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.

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Category 4: NKU Major Requirements for a BS in Psychological Sciences

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
STA 205	Statistical Methods	3	(MAT 151 or MAT 161) + STA 251	x
PSY 100	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY 110	x
PSY 210 or PSY 211 and PSY 212	Research Methods and Lab or Research Methods A and Research Methods B	5	NKU Course	x
PSY 210 R	Career Planning for Psychology Majors	1	NKU Course	x
PSY 305	Psychological Testing & Measurement	3	NKU Course	x
PSY 311	Biopsychology	3		
PSY 321	Lifespan Development	3	PSY 223	x
PSY 333	Abnormal Psychology	3	PSY 298	x
PSY 337	Learning and Behavior	3	NKU Course	x
PSY 338	Cognitive Processes	3		
PSY 340	Social Psychology	3		
TBS XXX	Select five PSY courses (total at least 13 credit hours). At least three of these courses must be at the 300 or 400 level. Optional two-credit hour laboratory classes may be included in this category.	13	FAM 253 PSY 297	X (need 7 more credits)
TBS XXX	Students must select either Track A or Track B. Required track courses are in the tables labeled Categories 6-7 tables below.	7-8		x (need 4-5 more)
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU	20-21		
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at KCTCS	33		
	Total Major Credit Hours	53-54		

Category 5: Additional Requirements at NKU

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
	Subtotal Minor Credit Hours Taken at NKU	12-24		
	Subtotal Elective (300/400 level) Hours	14-27		
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	120		

Category 6: NKU Track A Requirements for the BS in Psychological Science

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
Select 1: MAT XXX STA XXX PSY 410 INF 120 INF 282 CSC 260 CSC 325	Select one course from the following: MAT course at the 100-level or above STA course at the 100-level or above (not STA 205) Advanced Research Methods Elementary Programming Introduction to Databases Object-Oriented Programming Introduction to Neural Networks and A.I.	3	INF 120 CIT 149 or CIT 238	x
Select 2: PSY 311L PSY 321L PSY 338L PSY 340L PSY 465L	Select two courses from the following: Biopsychology Laboratory Developmental Science Laboratory Cognitive Processes Laboratory Social Psychology Laboratory Health Psychology Laboratory	4		
	Subtotal Track A Credit Hours	4		

Category 7: NKU Track B Requirements for the BS in Psychological Science

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
Select 2: STA 3/4/5XXX PSY 410 INF 120 INF 282 CSC 260 CSC 325	Select two courses from the following: 300/400/500-level Statistics course Advance Research Methods in Psychology Elementary Programming Introduction to Databases Object-Oriented Programming Introduction to Neural Networks and A.I.	6	INF 120 CIT 170 CIT 149 or CIT 238	x (need 3 more)
Select 1: PSY 311L PSY 321L PSY 338L PSY 340L PSY 465L	Select one course from the following: Biopsychology Laboratory Developmental Science Laboratory Cognitive Processes Laboratory Social Psychology Laboratory Health Psychology Laboratory	2		
	Subtotal Track B Credit Hours	5		

Note: Laboratory classes may be taken at the same time as the core class or at a later time, but students must complete PSY 201 Research Methods and Lab (5 credits) to take a laboratory. The laboratory classes listed here may also count as elective classes.

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