



TWO DEGREES, ONE PATH

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE 2024-2025

Associate in Arts to Bachelor of Science in Sociology

Overview

Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for the Associate in Arts (AA) degree at a Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) institution and leads to the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Sociology degree at Northern Kentucky University (NKU).

Applying to the KCTCS2NKU 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 a KCTCS institution, enrolled in an associate degree program, plan to transfer to NKU, and maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA at their KCTCS institution.

Degree Requirements for KCTCS

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.

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 KCTCS students who choose to enroll in the fully online program. Visit our website for more information about the [Sociology 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 a minimum GPA of 2.0 for courses that count towards the major as well as an overall GPA of 2.0. 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 KCTCS.

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.

KCTCS AA TO NKU BS in SOCIOLOGY CHECKLIST

Kentucky Community and Technical College System Institution

Category 1: KCTCS General Education Core Requirements

KCTCS 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 & Humanities (AH) – Heritage	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities (AH) – Humanities	3	TBD XXX	
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology (SB)	3	SOC 100	
SOC 235	Inequality in Society (SB) (CS)	3	SOC 307	
TBS XXX	Social & Behavioral Sciences Course (SB) – not SOC	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Quantitative Reasoning (QR)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural Science w/ Lab (SL)	4	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural Science Course (NS) or Quantitative Reasoning Course (QR)	3	TBD XXX	
	Subtotal General Education Core Courses	34		

TBS XXX means to be selected by KCTCS 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: KCTCS AA Requirements

KCTCS Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
SOC 260	Population, Resources and Change	3	SOC 340	
SOC 250	Sociology of Popular Culture	3	SOC 335	
	Subtotal AA Requirement Courses	6		

Category 3: KCTCS Electives

KCTCS Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
	Digital Literacy	0-3		
	First-Year Experience	0-3		
CRJ 277	Introduction to Criminology	3	SOC 305	
TBS XXX	Elective	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Elective	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Elective	3	TBD XXX	

KCTCS Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
TBS XXX	Elective	3-9	TBD XXX	
	Subtotal Elective Courses	21		
	Total Associate Degree Hours	61		

A course carrying the Cultural Competence status must also be completed as part of the AA and AS requirements. Approved Cultural Competence courses are listed in the catalog under Academic Services - Cultural Competence Requirement.

Students in the Gateway2NKU, MCTC2NKU and Jefferson2NKU programs may choose to use up to four of their electives to take NKU courses toward the bachelor's degree. Work with your NKU advisor to schedule these courses. All students may choose to use electives to take courses KCTCS courses toward their selected minor. Students should work with their KCTCS and NKU advisors to choose a minor and enroll in these courses.

Northern Kentucky University

Category 4: NKU Major Requirements for BS in Sociology

NKU Course	Course	Credits	KCTCS Course	Taken at KCTCS
SOC 100	Introduction to Sociology	3	SOC 101	x
SOC 281	Careers in Sociology	1		
SOC 319	Managing and Analyzing Databases	3		
SOC 320	Social Research	3		
SOC 330	Classical Sociological Theory	3		
SOC 493	Sociology Senior Seminar	2		
SOC XXX	Select any seven sociology courses not fulfilling requirements above, at least six of which must be at the 300 or 400 level.	21	CRJ 277 SOC 235 SOC 250 SOC 260	x Need 9 additional credits
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU	21		
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at GCTC	15		
	Total Major Credit Hours	36		

Category 5: Additional Requirements at NKU

NKU Course	Course	Credits	KCTCS Course	Taken at KCTCS
	Subtotal Minor Credit Hours Taken at NKU	12-24		
	Subtotal Elective (300/400 level) Hours	14-26		
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	120		

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