



TWO DEGREES, ONE PATH

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE 2023-2024

Associate in Arts to Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice

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 Arts (BA) in Criminal Justice 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 GCTC 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 studies 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 GCTC students who choose to enroll in the fully online program. Visit our website for more information about the [Criminal Justice 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 and meet all prerequisites for courses and requirements for the major. Students must complete a focus or minor as indicated on the pathway.

Students majoring in criminal justice must earn at least a C- in each course counted as part of the major. At least 24 hours of JUS courses must be earned in residence 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 BA IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE 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 (OC)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts and Humanities (AH) Heritage	3	TBD XXX	
JUS 231U	Race, Gender and Crime (AH)	3	JUS 231	
JUS 101U	Introduction to Criminal Justice (SB)	3	JUS 101	
POL 101	American Government (SB) - recommended	3	PSC 100	
TBS XXX	Social & Behavioral Sciences Course (SB)	3	TBD XXX	
MAT 151	Introduction to Applied Statistics (QR)	3	STA 100G	
STA 251	Applied Statistics (QR)	3	STA 205	
TBS XXX	Natural Science Course (SL)	4	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.

STA 251 equates to STA 205 only with the completion of MAT 151 or MAT 161.

STA 251 meets NKU's prerequisite requirement for some JUS courses.

Category 2: GCTC AA Requirements

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
TBS XXX	General Education Elective (Arts & Humanities, Social Behavioral Science, Foreign Language, or Oral Communication)	3	TBD XXX	
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	Subtotal AA Requirement Courses	6		

Students should select courses toward their chosen minor

Category 3: GCTC 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 100T	
CRJ 102	Introductions to Corrections	3	JUS 201	
CRJ 204	Criminal Investigations	3	JUS 204	
CRJ 215	Introduction to Law Enforcement	3	JUS 200	
CRJ 230	Criminal Justice Courtroom Procedures	3	JUS 203	
Choose 1: CRJ 202 CRJ 216 CRJ 217	Choose one course: Issues and Ethics Criminal Justice Criminal Law Criminal Procedures	3	JUS 294	
	Subtotal Elective Courses	21		
	TOTAL Associate Degree Hours	61		

Degree Requirement: One course must be selected from the KCTCS identified Cultural Studies course list in the KCTCS catalog.

Northern Kentucky University

Students can transfer a maximum of 12 hours to be applied to the Criminal Justice Program Core Requirements. Students can transfer a maximum of 9 credit hours of lower division elective courses to be applied to the Secondary Requirements. A minimum of 24 credit hours of criminal justice courses must be completed at NKU.

Category 4: NKU Core Requirements for Criminal Justice

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
JUS 101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	JUS 101U	x
JUS 200	Police in America	3	CRJ 215	x
JUS 201	Corrections in America	3	CRJ 102	x
JUS 203	The Criminal Court System	3	CRJ 230	x
JUS 300	Juvenile Justice	3		
JUS 301	Ethics in Criminal Justice	3		
JUS 315	Criminal Justice Research Methods	3		
JUS 317	Perspectives on Crime	3		

Category 5: NKU Secondary Requirements for Criminal Justice

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
JUS 204	Criminal Investigation	3	CRJ 204	x
JUS 231	Race, Gender, and Crime (AH)	3	JUS 231U	x

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
JUS 294	Topics: Justice Studies	3	CRJ 202 OR CRJ 216 OR CRJ 217 OR CRJ 295	X
JUS XXX JUS XXX JUS XXX JUS XXX JUS XXX	Select 5 additional courses (15 credit hours) from the JUS electives list in catalog. Must be at the 300-level or above.	15		
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours Taken at GCTC	21		
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours Taken at NKU	27		
	Total credit hours required for the major	48		

Category 6: Additional Requirements at NKU

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTCS Course	Taken at GCTC
	Subtotal Minor/Focus Hours Taken at NKU	12-24		
	Subtotal Elective (300/400 level) Hours	8-20		
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	120		

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