



Associate of Arts to Bachelor of Arts in Middle Grades Education

Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for the **Associate of Arts** degree at Gateway Community and Technical College and leads to the **Bachelor of Arts in Middle Grades Education** degree at Northern Kentucky University.

Degree requirement 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 studies course, and 5) demonstration of computer/digital literacy.

Admission Requirements for a Bachelor of Arts in Middle Grades Education

(Courses in parentheses are GCTC course equivalents)

- 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).
- Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading (5712) – 156 or higher, Writing (5722) – 162 or higher and Mathematics (5732) – 150 or higher
- Pass criminal background check
- 60 semester hours completed
- An acceptable portfolio
- A completed application to the Teacher Education program

Degree requirements for a Bachelor of Arts in Middle Grades Education:

Students majoring in Middle Grades Education must maintain a GPA of 2.75 overall in major courses in order to enroll in the clinical experience. **At least 45 credit hours must be 300 level or above.** Students must meet the pre-requisites for each course. At least 20 percent of the total required hours must be taken at NKU.

GCTC AA TO NKU BA IN MIDDLE GRADES EDUCATION CHECKLIST

Gateway Community and Technical College

Category I: General Education Requirements				
GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	
ENG 101	Writing I (WC)	3	ENG 101	
ENG 102	Writing II (WC)	3	ENG 291	
COM 181	Basic Public Speaking (OC)	3	CMST 101	
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities (AH) Humanities	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities (AH) Heritage	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Quantitative Reasoning (QR)	3	TBD XXX	
PSY 110	General Psychology (SB)	3	PSY 100	
TBS XXX	Social & Behavioral Sciences (SB)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Social & Behavioral Sciences (SB)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural Science Course (with lab) (SL)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Quantitative Reasoning or Natural Sciences (QR/NS)	3	TBD XXX	
Subtotal General Education Courses		33		

TBS XXX means to be selected.

TBD XXX means to be determined.

Category II: Degree Requirements for the AA				
GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	
TBS XXX	Additional Courses in Core Categories and/or Foreign Language	12	TBD XXX	
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	
TBS XXX	Elective	3		
Total Associate Degree Credit Hours		60		

Students should work with their advisors to select general education courses that will satisfy requirements in their chosen content tracks, when possible. Four courses can be taken from NKU as part of the Gateway2NKU program.

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Students must complete the following courses for a B.A. in Middle Grades Education.

Category III: Major Requirements for the BA in Middle Grades Education				
NKU Course	Course	Credits	GTC Course	Taken at GTC
EDU 104	Orientation: Education Profession/Program	1		
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	2	EDU 204	x
EDU 316	Racism and Sexism in Educational Institutions	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 346 EDU 347 EDU 348	Select two methods courses: Teaching Language Arts in Middle Grades Teaching Science in Middle Grades Teaching Math in Middle Grades Teaching Social Studies in Middle Grades	6		
Subtotal NKU Education Courses Credit Hours		40		
Subtotal NKU Track Courses		Varies		
Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours		120-130**		

*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).

**Total credits hours depend on the selected content area tracks and the courses within the tracks taken while at GTC.

Content Area Tracks

Students select two content area tracks from the following: English/Communication, Social Studies, Mathematics, Science, and Special Education.

Category IV: English/Communications Track				
NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
ENG 200	Understanding Literature	3	ENG 202	
ENG 208	Survey of American Literature I	3	ENG 251	
ENG 209	Survey of American Literature II	3	ENG 252	
ENG 102	Advanced College Writing	3	ENG 102	x
ENG 371	Traditional Grammar	3		
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		
Subtotal NKU English/Communications Track Credit Hours		21		

Category IV: Social Studies Track				
NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
HIS 102	History of the United States through 1877	3	HIS 108	
HIS 103	History of the United States since 1877	3	HIS 109	
HIS 108	World History to 1500	3	HIS 101	
HIS 109	World History since 1500	3	HIS 102	
GEO 101	World Regional Geography	3	GEO 152	
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 101 SOC 101	
Subtotal NKU Social Studies Track Credit Hours		24		

Category IV: Mathematics Track				
NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
MAT 110	Introduction to Probability	3		
MAT 112	Applied Calculus	3	MAT 170	
MAT 116	Mathematics for Middle Grades Teachers I	3		
MAT 117	Algebra for Middle Grades Teachers	3		
MAT 141	Mathematics for Elementary and Middle Grades Teachers II	3	MAT 206	
MAT 240	Geometry for Middle Grades Teachers	3		
STA 204	Statistics for Middle Grades Teachers	3		
Select 1: MAT 114 MAT 119 MAT 128 MAT 129 MAT 185 MAT 227	Select one course from the following: Finite Mathematics Pre-Calculus Mathematics Calculus A Calculus I Introductory Discrete Mathematics Calculus B	3-4	MAT 165 MAT 155 MAT 175	
Subtotal NKU Mathematics Track Credit Hours		24		

Category IV: Science Track				
NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
BIO 120/201L	Understanding the Living World	4	BIO 112/113	
CHE 105	Discovering Chemistry with Laboratory	4		
PHY 110	Introduction to Physics with Laboratory	4		
AST 110	Solar System Astronomy with Laboratory	4		
GLY 110	The Face of the Earth with Laboratory	4	GLY 101/111	
Select 1: BIO 150/150L BIO 151/151L BIO 208/208L BIO 123 BIO 121/121L SCI 110 PHY 211 PHY 213 GLY 120/120L GLY 115 AST 115	Select one course from the following: Introduction to Biology I Introduction to Biology II Human Anatomy and Physiology I Human Anatomy and Physiology II Human Ecology Diseases and the Systems They Affect Integrative Science General Physics with Laboratory I This Dangerous Earth History of the Earth Stars, Galaxies, and Cosmology with Laboratory	3-5	BIO 114/115 BIO 116/117 BIO 137 BIO 120 BIO 135 PHY 211 PHY 213	
Subtotal NKU Science Track Credit Hours		24		

Category IV: Special Education in Middle Grades Major				
NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
EDS 364	Characteristics of Learning Disabilities	3		
EDS 365	Characteristics of Emotion/Behavioral Disorder	3		
EDS 561	Intellectual and Orthopedic Disabilities	3		
EDS 570	Working with Families of Students with Disabilities	3		
EDS 572	Secondary Special Education Programs	3		
EDS 362	Applied Behavior Analysis for Students with Disabilities	3		
EDS 464	Assessment Learning and Behavior Disorders	3		
EDS 472	Special Education Methods and Materials	3		
EDS 473	Special Education Field Experience	2		
EDU 493*	Clinical Experience Middle Grades with Special Education	12		
MAT 140	Mathematics for Elementary Grade Teachers I	3	MAT 205	
MAT 141	Mathematics for Elementary Grade Teachers II	3	MAT 206	
Subtotal NKU Special Education Major Credit Hours		44		

*Students who choose Special Education as their second track will need to complete EDU 493 as their clinical experience and will not need EDU 495.

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