TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE
2025-2026

Associate in Arts to Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy

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 Philosophy 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, enrolled in an associate degree program, plan to transfer to NKU, and maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA at Gateway.

Degree Requirements for Gateway

1. Completion of minimum of 60 credit hours
2. Minimum cumulative GPA 2.0
3. Minimum of 15 credit hours earned at the institution awarding the degree
4. Demonstration of digital literacy
5. 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:

1. Complete a minimum of 120 credit hours
2. Complete at least 25% of the required credit hours at NKU
3. Complete the last 30 credit hours at NKU
4. Complete at least 45 credit hours numbered 300 or above
5. Minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA across all coursework
6. Meet all requirements for the major
7. Completion of a minor, focus, or second major (if required by the major)

Tuition and scholarship information specific to transfer students can be viewed on the NKU Adult & Transfer Center website.

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 annual scholarships (fall and spring only). 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.

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GCTC AA TO NKU BA IN PHILOSOPHY

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	
PHI 110 or PHI 130	Medical Ethics (AH) or Ethics (AH)	3	PHI 220 PHI 200	
TBS XXX	Social & Behavioral Science (SB)	3	TBD XXX	
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PHI 250	Symbolic Logic (QR)	3	PHI 265	
TBS XXX	Quantitative Reasoning (QR) or Natural Science (NS)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural Science Course (SL)	4	TBD XXX	
	Subtotal General Education 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: GCTC AA Requirements

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
PHI 150	Business Ethics	3	PHI 308	
PHI 120	Introduction to Logic (AH)	3	PHI 165	
	Subtotal AA Requirement Courses	**6**		

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 or FYE 110	Achieving Academic Success or First Year Experience and Applications	3	UNV 100T	
Taken at NKU	Existentialism or History of Philosophy	3	PHI 305 or PHI 393	
Taken at NKU	Knowledge and Reality or Philosophy of Mind	3	PHI 315 or PHI 345	

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
TBS XXX or Taken at NKU	Select coursework that will satisfy a major or minor requirement at NKU.	3	TBD XXX	
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PHI 100 or PHI 160	Introduction to Philosophy: Knowledge and Reality (AH) or Philosophy Through Pop Culture (AH)	3	PHI 110 or PHI 181	
	Subtotal Elective Courses	**21**		
	TOTAL Associate Degree Hours	**61**		

If completing digital literacy using other means (like FYE 110), additional credits will be required in order to fulfill elective requirements.

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Category 4: NKU Major Requirements for a BA in Philosophy

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
PHI 110 or PHI 181	Philosophy, Individuals and Society or Philosophers, Cultures and Creativity	3	PHI 100 or PHI 160	x
PHI 200 or PHI 220	Introduction to Ethics or Health Care Ethics	3	PHI 130 or PHI 110	x
PHI 265	Logic	3	PHI 250	x
PHI 281	Careers and Philosophy	0-1		
PHI 305 or PHI 393	Existentialism or History of Philosophy	3	Taken at NKU	x
PHI 315 or PHI 345	Knowledge and Reality or AI & Philosophy of Mind	3	Taken at NKU	x
PHI 491	Philosophy Capstone	0		
TBS XXX	Select any philosophy courses not fulfilling requirements above, at least four of which must be at the 300 or 400 level and up to one of which may come from non-philosophy courses with approval of the program director.	15	PHI 120 = PHI 165 PHI 150 = PHI 308 PHI 170 = PHI 350	x Need 9 additional credits
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU	**9-10**		
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at GCTC	**24**		
	Total Major Credit Hours	**30-31**		

Category 5: Additional Requirements at NKU

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
	Subtotal Minor and Elective Credit Hours Taken at NKU *27 must be 300-level or higher	**49-50**		

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	**120-121**		

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