

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE

2025-2026

Associate of Applied Science in Cyber Investigation Technology at Sinclair College
to a Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity at Northern Kentucky University

Overview

Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Cyber Investigation Technology degree at Sinclair College and leads to the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Cybersecurity degree at Northern Kentucky University (NKU).

Degree Requirements for Sinclair College

To earn a degree at Sinclair College, a student must complete a minimum of 60 credit hours, attain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0, and earn a minimum of 20 credit hours at Sinclair College.

Admission Requirements for NKU

Students completing an associate degree with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher will be accepted into NKU.

Tuition and Scholarships

For information on tuition and scholarships, please visit <https://nku.edu/admissions/adult/online.html>

NKU Contacts

Students can schedule a meeting with an advisor from the College of Arts & Sciences Advising Center at <https://inside.nku.edu/artsci/advisingcenter.html>. Students can also contact Kim McCoy, Assistant Director of Transfer Services, at mccoyk8@nku.edu.

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. This major includes a minor in Computer Science.

**SINCLAIR COLLEGE AAS IN CYBER INVESTIGATION TECHNOLOGY TO
NKU BS IN CYBERSECURITY CHECKLIST**

Sinclair College

Category 1: Sinclair Requirements for the AAS in Cyber Investigation Technology

Sinclair Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
CIS 1107	Introduction to Operating Systems	3	CIS 1107 + CIS 2731 = CIT 130 + CIT 200T	
CIS 1111	Introduction to Problem Solving & Computer Programming	3	INF 110	
CIS 1130	Network Fundamentals	3	INF 284	
CIS 2165	Database Management	3	INF 282	
CIS 2510	Microsoft Windows Server Operating System	3	CIT 200T	
CIS 2550	Linux Operating System	3	CIT 171 + CIT 200T	
CIS 2630	Securing a Windows Network Environment	3	CYS 200T	
CIS 2640	Network Security	3	CYS 200T	
CIS 2731	A+ Hardware & Software	4	CIS 1107 + CIS 2731 = CIT 130 + CIT 200T	
CIS 2808	Introduction to Computer Forensics	3	CYS 200T	
CJS 1103	Constitutional Law & Evidentiary Procedures	3	JUS 294	
CJS 2111	Ethics & Professionalism in Criminal Justice	3	JUS 294	
CJS 2209	Computer Crime	3	JUS 294	
CJS 2295	Criminal Justice Science Seminar	3	JUS 294	
COM 2225	Small Group Communication	3	CMST 230	
ECO 2160	Principles of Macroeconomics	3	ECO 200	
ENG 1101	English Composition I	3	ENG 101	
MAN 2150	Management & Organizational Behavior	3	MGT 205	
MAT 1120 or TBS XXX	Business Mathematics or Ohio Transfer 36: Mathematics Elective (Suggest MAT 1450: Introductory Statistics which equates to STA 205)	3	STA 100G TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Ohio Transfer 36: Arts & Humanities	3	TBD XXX	
	Total Associate Degree Hours	61		

TBS XXX means to be selected by Sinclair College student.

TBD XXX means to be determined by NKU based on course selected at Sinclair College.

Northern Kentucky University

Category 2: NKU Additional General Education Requirements

NKU Course	Course	Credits	Sinclair Course	Taken at Sinclair
ENG 102	Advanced College Writing	3	ENG 1201	
TBS XXX	Oral Communication	3		
TBS XXX	Natural Science	4		
TBS XXX	Cultural Pluralism	3		
TBS XXX	Individual & Society	3		
TBS XXX	Culture & Creativity	3		
TBS XXX	Global Viewpoints	3		
Subtotal General Education Courses		22		

Category 3: NKU Requirements for the BS in Cybersecurity

NKU Course	Course	Credits	Sinclair Course	Taken at Sinclair
CYS 285	Cybersecurity Fundamentals	3	CIS 2670	
CYS 310	Cybersecurity Risk Management	3		
CYS 330	Introduction to Ethical Hacking	3		
CYS 385	Cybersecurity Analysis I	3		
CYS 444	Software Security	3		
CYS 485	Cybersecurity Analysis II	3		
CIT 130	Information Technology Fundamentals	3	CIS 1107 + CIS 2731	x
CIT 171	Introduction to Linux	1	CIS 2550	x
CIT 371	Linux System Administration	3		
CSC 260	Object-Oriented Programming I	3	CIS 2212	
CSC 325	Machine Learning	3		
CSC 350	Database Programming	3		
CSC 360	Object-Oriented Programming II	3	CIS 2217	
CSC 362	Computer Systems	3		
CSC 364	Data Structures and Algorithms	3		
CSC 460	Operating Systems	3		
CSC 482	Computer Security	3		
BIS 300	Management Information Systems	3		
INF 100	Orientation to College of Informatics	1	Waived with AAS degree	x
INF 120	Elementary Programming	3	CIS 1202	
INF 201	Foundations of Informatics Professionals	1		
INF 284	Introduction to Computer Networks	3	CIS 1130	x
INF 286	Introduction to Web Development	3	CIS 1350	

NKU Course	Course	Credits	Sinclair Course	Taken at Sinclair
MAT 185	Introductory Discrete Mathematics	3		
PHI 310	Information Ethics	3		
STA 205	Statistical Methods	3	MAT 1450	
Select 6 cr: ASE 456 BIS 330 CIT 381 CIT 383 CIT 396 CIT 438 CIT 470 CIT 472 CIT 483 CMST 370 CSC 396 CSC 415 CSC 425 CSC 481 CYS 305 CYS 392 CYS 394 CYS 396 CYS 399 CYS 430 CYS 439 CYS 484 CYS 492 CYS 494 CYS 499 MAT 483	Select 6 credit hours from the following: Cross-Platform Development (3 cr) IT Project Management (3 cr) Raspberry PI Based IoT (3 cr) Scripting I (3 cr) Computer Information Technology Practicum (0-3 cr) Cloud Computing (3 cr) Advanced Network and System Administration (3 cr) Database Administration (3 cr) Scripting II (3 cr) Advanced Public Speaking (3 cr) Computer Science Practicum (0-3 cr) Mobile App Development (3 cr) Artificial Intelligence (3 cr) Blockchain and Ethereum Development (3cr) Peer Teaching Assistant Training & Practicum (3 cr) Intermediate Research Experience in CYS (0-3 cr) Intermediate Topics: Cybersecurity (1-3 cr) Cybersecurity Practicum (0-3 cr) Intermediate Independent Study: CYS (1-3 cr) Computer Forensics (3 cr) Cloud Security (3 cr) Network Security (3 cr) Advanced Research Experience in CYS (0-3 cr) Advanced Topics: Cybersecurity (1-3 cr) Advanced Independent Study: CYS (1-3 cr) Cryptology (3 cr)	6		
	Experiential learning experience. See NKU Catalog or talk to an NKU advisor about options.			
	Subtotal NKU Core Credit Hours	81		
	Less Core Credit Hours from Sinclair	8		
	Subtotal Core Credit Hours at NKU	73		
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	156		

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