



TWO DEGREES, ONE PATH

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE 2025-2026

Associate in Applied Science in Human and Social Services to Bachelor of Science
in Human Services & Addictions

Overview

Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for the Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Human and Social Services at Gateway Community and Technical College (GCTC) and leads to the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Human Services & Addictions 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 CTC, enrolled in an associate degree program, plan to transfer to NKU, and maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA at Gateway CTC.

Degree Requirements 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. 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 credit hours required 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 major coursework
6. Meet all requirements for the major

7. Completion of a minor, focus, or second major (if required by major)
Students must successfully complete all required human services and addictions courses and all program-required supportive courses with a grade of C- or better and have a minimum GPA of 2.5 to graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Human Services and Addictions. At least 45 credit hours must be 300 level or above. Students must meet the pre-requisites for each course. At least 25 percent of the total required hours and the last 30 credit hours must be completed at NKU. Students must complete a minimum of 120 credit hours. 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 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.

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

GCTC AAS IN HUMAN SERVICES TO NKU BS IN HUMAN SERVICES & ADDICTIONS CHECKLIST

Gateway Community and Technical College

Category 1: GCTC General Education 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 | |
| COM 181 or COM 252 | Basic Public Speaking (OC) or Intro to Interpersonal Communications (OC) | 3 | CMST 101 CMST 220 | |
| PSY 110 | General Psychology (SB) | 3 | PSY 100 | |
| PSY 230 | Psychosocial Aspects of Death and Dying (SB) | 3 | HSR 314 | |
| SOC 101 | Introduction to Sociology (SB) | 3 | SOC 100 | |
| TBS XXX | Heritage/Humanities (AH) | 3 | TBD XXX | |
| MAT 151 | Introduction to Applied Statistics (QR) | 3 | STA 100G | |
| TBS XXX | Natural Science (SL) | 3-4 | TBD XXX | |
| Subtotal General Education Courses | | 27-28 | | |

TBS XXX means to be selected by GCTC student.

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

To complete general education certification, student must take a lab science class.

Category 2: GCTC AAS Requirements for Human Services

| GCTC Course | Course or Category | Credits | NKU Course | Completed |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------|------------------------|------------------|
| CIT 105 or OST 105 or FYE 110 | Introduction to Computing or Introduction to Information Systems or First Year Experience and Applications | 3 | INF 101 or UNV 100T | |
| HMS 101 | Human Services Survey | 3 | HSR 100 | |
| HMS 102 | Values of Human Services in a Contemporary Society | 3 | HSR 300 | |
| HMS 103 | Theories and Techniques in Human Services | 3 | HSR 105 | |
| HMS 104 | Group Dynamics for Human Services | 3 | HSR 412 | |
| HMS/SWK 220 | Cultural Diversity in Human Services | 3 | HSR 303 | |
| HMS 251 | Clinical Practices in Human Services | 3 | HSR 304 | |
| TBS XXX | Select two courses that are considered technical courses: (recommendations below) EDP 202 Human Development and Learning HMS 212/SWK 260 Crisis Intervention | 6 | EDU 300 HSR 312 | |
| TBS XXX | Select two elective courses: (recommendations below) Heritage or Humanities Course (for Gen Ed certification) Quantitative Reasoning (for Gen Ed | 3 | | |

| GCTC Course | Course or Category | Credits | NKU Course | Completed |
|-------------|---|-----------|------------|-----------|
| | certification) – Recommended STA 251 | | | |
| | Subtotal AAS Requirement Courses | 33 | | |
| | Total Associate Degree Hours | 61 | | |

Students must demonstrate digital literacy skills, either through completing a course or passing a test.

The heritage/humanities elective in Category 2 is dependent upon which class student takes in Category 1. Each student needs one heritage and one humanities course.

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Category 3: NKU Major Requirements for Bachelor of Science in Human Services & Addictions

| NKU Course | Course | Credits | GCTC Course | Taken at GCTC |
|--|--|---------|---|--------------------------|
| HSR 100 | Society and Human Services | 3 | HMS 101 | x |
| HSR 105 | Helping Skills and Techniques for Human Services Professionals | 3 | HMS 103 | x |
| HSR 205 | Case Management Skills | 3 | HMS 248 | x |
| HSR 300 | Ethics & Issues in Human Services Profession | 3 | HMS 102 | x |
| HSR 303 | Multicultural Issues in Human Services | 3 | HMS/SWK 220 | x |
| HSR 305 | Principles of Assessment in Human Services | 3 | | |
| HSR 312 | Crisis Intervention | 3 | HMS 212/ SWK 260 | x |
| HSR 340 | Intro to Substance Use in Human Services | 3 | HMS 210 + HMS 211 = HSR 340 + HSR 300T | |
| HSR 400 | At-Risk Populations in Human Services | 3 | | |
| HSR 412 | Leadership Skills for Small Groups | 3 | HMS 104 | x |
| HSR 416 | Theories/Skills for Helping Professions | 3 | | |
| HSR 430 | Human Services Administration | 3 | | |
| HSR 450 | Diagnosis & Treatment: Sub Use Disorders | 3 | | |
| HSR 304 | Field Experience and Seminar | 3 | HMS 251 | x |
| HSR 404 | Advanced Field Experience and Seminar | 3 | | |
| EDU 300 | Human Growth and Development | 3 | EDP 202 | |
| STA XXX | Select 3 credit hour statistics course | 3 | MAT 151 | x |
| PSY 100 | Introduction to Psychology | 3 | PSY 110 | x |
| Select 9 cr: COU 594 HSR 110 HSR 314 HSR 326 | Select 9 credit hours of electives: Special Topics in Counseling (1-6 credits) Addiction and Society Death, Dying, and Grief Behavior Problems of Children | 9 | PSY 230 | x (need 6 more hours) |

| NKU Course | Course | Credits | GCTC Course | Taken at GCTC |
|------------|---|-----------|-------------|---------------|
| HSR 330 | Introduction to Disability Studies | | | |
| HSR 420 | Process Addictions | | | |
| HSR 428 | Family Systems | | | |
| HSR 431 | Fundamentals of Nonprofit Management | | | |
| HSR 494 | Selected Topics: Human Services & Addictions | | | |
| HSR 499 | Independent Study (1-4 credits) | | | |
| HSR 503 | LGBTQIA+ Issues in Human Services | | | |
| HSR 574 | Grief and Loss Across the Lifespan | | | |
| HSR 594 | Selected Topics in Human Services (1-3 credits) | | | |
| | Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU | 30 | | |
| | Subtotal Credit Hours at GCTC | 61 | | |
| | Total Major Credit Hours | 63 | | |

Category 4: Additional Requirements at NKU

| NKU Course | Course | Credits | GCTCS Course | Taken at GCTC |
|------------|--|------------|--------------|---------------|
| | Subtotal Minor and Elective Credit Hours Taken at NKU | 29 | | |
| | Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours | 120 | | |

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