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## TWO DEGREES, ONE PATH

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### **TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE 2024-2025**

#### Associate in Arts to Bachelor of Arts in Journalism

##### ***Overview***

Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for the Associate in Arts (AA) degree at Gateway Community and Technical College (GCTC) and leads to the Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Journalism degree at Northern Kentucky University.

##### ***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) cultural competence course, 5) demonstration of digital literacy, 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.

##### ***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. In addition, students must earn a letter grade of C- or better and a 2.0 GPA in their major courses. 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 GCTC.

**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 JOURNALISM 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	
COM 181	Basic Public Speaking (OC)	3	CMST 101	
TBS XXX	Arts and Humanities (AH) Heritage	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts and Humanities (AH) Humanities	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Social & Behavioral Sciences Course (SB)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Social & Behavioral Sciences Course (SB)	3	TBD XXX	
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	
<b>Subtotal General Education Courses</b>		<b>34</b>		

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. This course is recommended by the Journalism program to fulfill the Quantitative Reasoning general education category.

#### Category 2: GCTC AA Requirements

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities (AH), Social & Behavioral Sciences (SB), Oral Communication (OC), or Foreign Language Course	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities (AH), Social & Behavioral Sciences (SB), Oral Communication (OC), or Foreign Language Course	3	TBD XXX	
<b>Subtotal AA Requirement Courses</b>		<b>6</b>		

#### Category 3: GCTC Electives

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
CIT 105 or OST 105	Introduction to Computers or Intro to Information Systems	0-3	BIS 101	
FYE 105	Achieving Academic Success	3	UNV 100T	

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
JOU 101	Introduction to Journalism	3	JOU 110	
JOU 204	Writing for the Mass Media	3	JOU 220	
Taken at NKU	Media Aesthetics	3	EMB 140	
Taken at NKU	News Reporting and Writing	3	JOU 230	
Taken at NKU	News Media Workshop	3	JOU 380	
	<b>Subtotal Elective Courses</b>	<b>21</b>		
	<b>TOTAL Associate Degree Hours</b>	<b>61</b>		

If completing digital literacy using other means, additional credit hours will be required in order to fulfill elective requirements.

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

Students enrolled in the Gateway2NKU program are eligible to take courses at NKU that are not offered at GCTC or online through KCTCS. With the help of your NKU and Gateway advisors, choose a course that will help you complete your degree. This includes both major requirements as well as those for a minor.

### Northern Kentucky University

#### Category 4: NKU Major Requirements for BA in Journalism

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
CMST 101	Public Speaking	3	COM 181	x
EMB 140	Introduction to Media Aesthetics	3	Taken at NKU	x
JOU 110	Introduction to Mass Communication	3	JOU 101	x
JOU 220	News Writing	3	JOU 204	x
JOU 230	News Reporting and Writing	3	Taken at NKU	x
JOU 346	Copy Editing and Design	3		
JOU 380	News Media Workshop	3	Taken at NKU	x
JOU 440	Current Topics in Media Ethics	3		
JOU 450	Media Skills	3		
JOU 480	Advanced News Media Workshop	3		
JOU 485	Mass Communication Law	3		
Select 4: CEP 300 EMB 308 JOU 305 JOU 321 JOU 325 JOU 331 JOU 340 JOU 350 JOU 360 JOU 382	Select 12 credits hours from the following: Cooperative Education (1-3 credits) Electronic News Gathering Science in the Media Digital Publishing Photojournalism Specialty Reporting Feature Writing Issues in News Media Diversity Exploring the Future of News & Media Data Journalism	12	OST 225	

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
JOU 392	Directed Research (0-6 credits)			
JOU 394	Special Topics in Journalism			
JOU 396	Internship			
JOU 421	Mass Communication History			
JOU 499	Independent Study: Journalism (1-3 credits)			
	<b>Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU</b>	<b>27</b>		
	<b>Subtotal Major Credit Hours at GCTC</b>	<b>15</b>		
	<b>Total Major Credit Hours</b>	<b>42</b>		

**Category 5: Additional Requirements at NKU**

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
	<b>Subtotal Minor Credit Hours Taken at NKU</b>	<b>12-21</b>		
	<b>Subtotal Elective (300/400 level) Hours</b>	<b>11-20</b>		
	<b>Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours</b>	<b>120</b>		

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