



TWO DEGREES, ONE PATH

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE 2025-2026

Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Education To
Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education – Non-Certification Track

Overview

Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Early Childhood Education degree at Cincinnati State (CState) and leads to the Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Early Childhood Education-Non-Certification Track degree at Northern Kentucky University (NKU).

Applying to the CState2NKU 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 Cincinnati State, enrolled in an associate degree program, plan to transfer to NKU, and maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA at Cincinnati State.

Degree Requirements for Cincinnati State

1) Completion of minimum 60 credit hours, 2) minimum cumulative GPA 2.0, 3) completion of an FYE course as part of the first 12 credit hours taken at Cincinnati State, and 4) completion of Cooperative Education.

Admission Requirements to NKU

Students completing an associate degree with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher will be accepted into NKU. Students must earn a C or higher in all education courses or repeat the course after transfer.

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 majoring in Early Childhood Education must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher overall and earn a minimum grade of C in all education courses. Students must meet the pre-requisites for each course. No minor is required for this major.

Advising Note

Students in the CState2NKU program should work closely with their advisors when choosing courses. This document serves as a guide but does not replace academic advising. When choosing Cincinnati State courses, student may also consult the Associate of Arts advising brochure or the catalog for A and B list courses in Arts and Humanities or Social and Behavioral Sciences.

CINCINNATI STATE AAS IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION TO NKU BA IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION – NON-CERTIFICATION TRACK CHECKLIST

Cincinnati State

Category 1: Ohio Transfer 36 Requirements

CState Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
ENG 101	English Composition 1	3	ENG 101	
ENG 102 or ENG 103	English Composition 2: Contemporary Issues English Composition 2: Writing about Literature	3	ENG 102	
MAT XXX	Mathematics Elective	3	TBD XXX	
PSY 110	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY 100	
TBS XXX	Natural Science Course (with lab) Elective	4	TBD XXX	
Subtotal General Education Courses		16		

TBS XXX means to be selected by Cincinnati State student

TBD XXX means to be determined by NKU based on course selected at Cincinnati State

Category 2: CState Degree Requirements for the AAS in Early Childhood Education

CState Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
FYE 1XX	First Year Experience Elective	1	UNV 100T	
ECE 145 + ECE 180	The Developing Child and Infant and Toddler Environments	3 4	EDU 552 + EDU 300T	
ECE 155	Health, Safety, and Nutrition in Childhood	3	HEA 250	
ECE 160	Assessment and Observation in Early Childhood Education	3	EDU 566	
ECE 165	Emergent Literacy	3	EDU 554	
ECE 175	Family, Community, and Schools	3	EDU 320	
ECE 185 + ECE 220	Creative Learning Environments and Preschool and School Age Environments	4 4	EDU 551 + EDU 300T	
ECE 215	Classroom Management and Guidance	3	EDU 301	
ECE 230	Administration and Leadership in Early Childhood Education	3	EDU 568	
ECE 290	Student Teaching in Early Childhood Education	3	EDU 300T	
EDU 105	Introduction to Education	3	EDU 305	
EDU 110	Educational Technology	3	EDU 313	
EDU 200	Individuals with Exceptionalities	3	EDS 360	
EDU 210	Learning in Childhood	3	EDU 300	
Total Associate Degree Credit Hours		65		

Northern Kentucky University

Category 3: NKU Additional General Education Requirements

NKU Course	Course	Credits	CState Course	Taken at CState
CMST 101	Public Speaking	3	COMM 110	
MAT XXX	Mathematics & Statistics	3		
TBS XXX	Natural Science Course	3		
TBS XXX	Individual & Society	3		
TBS XXX	Culture & Creativity	6		
TBS XXX	Global Viewpoints	3		
	Subtotal General Education Courses	21		

TBS XXX means to be selected

Category 4: NKU Major Requirements for the BA in Early Childhood Education – Non-Certification Track

NKU Course	Course	Credits	CState Course	Taken at CState
EDU 301	Interpersonal Interaction and Guidance	3	ECE 215	x
EDU 316	Education in a Multicultural Society	3		
EDU 320	Family Engagement in the Home, School and Community	3	ECE 175	x
EDU 550	Current Trends in Early Childhood Education	3		
EDU 551	Preschool Education and Programming	3	ECE 185 + ECE 220 = EDU 551 + EDU 300T	x
EDU 552	Infant Toddler Education and Programming	3	ECE 145 + ECE 180 = EDU 552 + EDU 300T	x
EDU 554	Language Development and Emergent Literacy	3	ECE 165	x
EDU 565	EC Screening & Ongoing Assessment	3		
EDU 568	Administration and Supervision in Early Childhood Education	3	ECE 230	x
EDU 569	Kindergarten Education and Programming	3		
EDS 360	Students with Exceptionalities in School	3	EDU 200	x
EDS 562	Early Childhood Special Education Programs	3		
EDU 490	Non-certification Final Field Experience	6		
TBS XXX	Electives (See advisor for recommended list of electives)	32	24 credits from ECE courses	
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU	29		

NKU Course	Course	Credits	CState Course	Taken at CState
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at CState	45		
	Total Major Credit Hours	74		
	Elective Credit Hours	5		
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	120		

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