



TWO DEGREES, ONE PATH

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE 2025-2026

Associate of Arts To
Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy

Overview

Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for the Associate of Arts (AA) degree at Cincinnati State (CState) and leads to the Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Philosophy degree at Northern Kentucky University (NKU).

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Degree Requirements for Cincinnati State

1) Completion of minimum 62 credit hours, 36 of which from approved Ohio Transfer 36 courses, 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 for 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 meet prerequisites for all courses. Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 for courses that count towards the major as well as an overall GPA of 2.0. Students must complete a focus or minor as indicated on the pathway.

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 AA TO NKU BA IN PHILOSOPHY

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	English Composition 2: Contemporary Issues	3	ENG 102	
COMM 110	Public Speaking	3	CMST 101	
TBS XXX	Arts/Humanities List A Elective	3	TBD XXX	
PHI 105	Introduction to Philosophy	3	PHI 181	
TBS XXX	Social/Behavioral Science List A Elective	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Social/Behavioral Science List B Elective	3	TBD XXX	
PHI 110	Ethics	3	PHI 200	
TBS XXX	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Mathematics Elective	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural/Physical Science Elective 1	4-5	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural/Physical Science Elective 2	3-5	TBD XXX	
Subtotal General Education Core		37-40		

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 AA and NKU Recommendations

CState Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
FYE 1XX	First Year Experience Elective	1-3	UNV 100T	
HUM 190	Career Exploration Seminar: Associate of Arts and Sciences	2	CEP 101	
HUM 191 or HUM 192 or HUM 291 or HUM 292 or HUM 296	Part-Time Cooperative Education 1 or Part-Time Cooperative Education 2 or Full-Time Cooperative Education 1 or Full-Time Cooperative Education 2 or Full-Time Career Education Project	2	CEP 300	
Taken at NKU	Logic	3	PHI 265	
Taken at NKU	Select courses for the philosophy major, focus, minor or elective	6		
TBS XXX	Select courses for a focus, minor or electives at NKU	6-11	TBD XXX	
Total Associate Degree Credit Hours		62		

Northern Kentucky University

Category 3: NKU Major Requirements for the BA in Philosophy

NKU Course	Course	Credits	CState Course	Taken at CState
PHI 110 or PHI 181	Philosophy, Individuals and Society or Philosophers, Cultures and Creativity	3	PHI 105	x
PHI 200 or PHI 220	Introduction to Ethics or Health Care Ethics	3	PHI 110	x
PHI 265	Logic	3	Taken at NKU	x
PHI 281	Careers and Philosophy	0-1		
PHI 305 or PHI 393	Existentialism or History of Philosophy	3		
PHI 315 or PHI 345	Knowledge and Reality or AI & Philosophy of Mind	3		
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		
Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU		21-22		
Subtotal Major Credit Hours at CState		9		
Total Major Credit Hours		30-31		

Category 4: Additional Requirements at NKU

NKU Course	Course	Credits	CState Course	Taken at CState
	Subtotal Minor Credit Hours Taken at NKU	12-24		
	Subtotal Elective (300/400 level) Hours	12-25		
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	120		

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