TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE
2025-2026

Associate in Arts to Bachelor of Arts in Theatre

Overview
Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for an Associate in Arts (AA) at Gateway Community and Technical College (GCTC) and leads to the Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Theatre degree 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)

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 AA TO NKU BA IN THEATRE 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	
TBS XXX	Oral Communication Course (OC)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities Course (AH) – Heritage	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities Course (AH) – Humanities – THA 200 recommended if available	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	
TBS XXX	Natural Science Course with Lab (SL)	4	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Quantitative Reasoning Course (QR)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural Science Course (SL) OR Quantitative Reasoning Course (QR)	3	TBD XXX	
	Subtotal General Education Courses	**34**		

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.

Category 2: GCTCS AA Requirements

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
TBS XXX	Arts and Humanities (AH), Social & Behavioral Sciences (SB), Oral Communications (OC), or Foreign Language (FL) elective	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts and Humanities (AH), Social & Behavioral Sciences (SB), Oral Communications (OC), or Foreign Language (FL) elective	3	TBD XXX	
	Subtotal AA Requirement Courses	**6**		

Category 3: GCTCS Electives

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
CIT 105 OR OST 105*	Introduction to Computing OR Introduction to Information Systems	3	BIS 101	

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
FYE 105 or FYE 110	Achieving Academic Success or First Year Experience and Applications	3	UNV 100T	
Taken at NKU	Acting I	3	TAR 110	
Taken at NKU	Stage Make Up	3	TAR 118	
Taken at NKU	Introduction to Stagecraft with Lab	3	TAR 160/160L	
Taken at NKU	Choose one of the following: Introduction to Stage Management Acting II Lighting Fundamentals Costume Construction with Lab Theatrical Rendering Fundamentals of Sound Technology Playscript Analysis	3	TAR 176 TAR 210 TAR 260 TAR 262/262L TAR 268 TAR 277 TAR 340	
TBS XXX	Electives	3	TBD XXX	
	Subtotal Elective Courses	**21**		
	Total Associate Degree Hours	**61**		

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Category 4: NKU Major Requirements for the BA in Theatre

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
TAR 104	Introduction to NKU Theatre and Dance	1	Waived	
TAR 110	Acting I	3	Taken at NKU	
TAR 118	Stage Make Up	3	Taken at NKU	
TAR 160	Introduction to Stagecraft	2	Taken at NKU	
TAR 160L	Stagecraft Laboratory	1	Taken at NKU	
TAR 204	Life as an Artist	1		
TAR 340	Playscript Analysis	3		
TAR 346	Theatre History & Dramatic Literature I	3	THA 200	x
TAR 347	Theatre History & Dramatic Literature II	3		
TBS XXX	Select 3 TAR credit hours from group II or group III. See NKU catalog for course listings by group.	3		
TBS XXX	Select 15 TAR/DAN credit hours in group I, group II, group III group IV, group VI or group VII. See NKU catalog for course listings by group.	15	One course taken at NKU	
TAR 390	Production Credits	1		
TAR 391	Production Credits	1		
TAR 490	Production Credits	1		
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU	**25**		
	Subtotal Credit Hours at GCTC	**61**		
	Total Major Credit Hours	**41**		

Category 5: Additional Requirements at NKU

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
	Subtotal Minor Credit Hours Taken at NKU	**34**		
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	**120**		

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