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## TWO DEGREES, ONE PATH

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### TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE 2025-2026

#### Associate in Arts to Bachelor of Arts in Art and Design (Art Education Track) with Secondary Education

##### **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 art and Design (Art Education Track) with Secondary Education 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) cultural studies 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.

In addition, students must meet the following requirements for admission into Education. Courses in parentheses are GCTC course equivalencies.

- A minimum overall GPA of 2.75
- A minimum grade of "B" in CMST 101 (COM 181) and ENG 102 (ENG 102)
- A minimum grade of "C" in all other pre-admission courses and required EDU and EDS courses which include EDU 300 (EDP 202), EDU 305 (EDU 201), EDU 313 (EDU 204), and EDS 360 (EDP 203).
- Meet the entrance exam requirement through an approved combination of passing scores on the ACT and/or Praxis I Core Academic Skills for Educators exams
  - o ACT Comp. 22 -OR-
  - o Reading (ACT: 20 -or- Praxis I: 156) and

- o Eng./Writing (ACT: 18 -or- Praxis I: 162) and
- o Mathematics (ACT: 19 -or- Praxis I: 150)

ACT scores must be less than 5 years old at time of admissions semester

- Pass criminal background check
- 60 semester hours completed
- An acceptable portfolio
- A completed application to the Teacher Education program

### ***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 Education must maintain a GPA of 2.75 overall and in major courses and earn a minimum grade of C in all education courses. Students must meet the pre-requisites for each course. Students wishing to be certified to teach Art must complete the requirements for the B.A. in Secondary Education along with the requirements for a B.A. in Visual Arts. No minor is required for this major.

### ***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 ART AND DESIGN WITH SECONDARY EDUCATION 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	
Taken at NKU	Advanced Writing – Writing/Artists (WC)	3	ART 291W	
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	
PSY 110	General Psychology (SB)	3	PSY 100	
Taken at NKU	Education in a Multicultural Society (SB)	3	EDU 316	
TBS XXX	Social & Behavioral Sciences Course (SB)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Quantitative Reasoning (QR)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Quantitative Reasoning or Natural Science (QR/NS)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural Science Course (SL)	4	TBD XXX	
	<b>Subtotal General Education Core 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.

#### Category 2: GCTC AA Requirements

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
ART 105	Ancient Through Medieval Art History	3	ARTH 101	
ART 106	Renaissance Through Modern Art History	3	ARTH 100	
	<b>Subtotal AS Requirement Courses</b>	<b>6</b>		

#### Category 3: GCTC Electives

GCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
FYE 105	Achieving Academic Success	3	UNV 100T	
EDU 201	Introduction to American Education	3	EDU 305	
EDU 204	Technology in the Classroom	3	EDU 313	
EDP 202	Human Development and Learning	3	EDU 300	
EDP 203	Teaching Exceptional Learners in Regular Classrooms	3	EDS 360	
Taken at NKU	Creating Visual Form	3	ART 130	
Taken at NKU	Creating Visual Order	3	ART 135	
	<b>Subtotal Elective Courses</b>	<b>21</b>		
	<b>Total Associate Degree Hours</b>	<b>61</b>		

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

### Northern Kentucky University

#### Category 4: NKU Major Requirements for BA in Art and Design (Art Education Track) with Secondary Education

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
ART 130	Creating Visual Form	3	Taken at NKU	x
ART 135	Creating Visual Order	3	Taken at NKU	x
ART 140	Building Meaning in Visual Art	3		
ART 291W	Advanced Writing-Writing/Artists	3	Taken at NKU	x
ARTH 100	History of Art: Renaissance Modernism	3	ART 106	x
ARTH 101	History of Art: Prehistoric through Goth	3	ART 105	x
ARTE 380	Concepts in Art Education	3		
ARTE 381	Art Education: Content I	3	ART 208	
ARTE 382	Art Education: Content II	3		
ARTH 454	Art Now	3		
ARTH XXX	Select one 300/400-level ARTH course	3		
ARTD 210	Drawing I	3	ART 110	
ARTO 210	Photography I	3		
ARTC 240	Ceramics I	3		
ARTS 262	Sculpture I	3		
ARTR 272	Printmaking I	3		
ARTM 350	Video, Installation & Sound I	3		
ARTP 230	Painting I	3		
TBS XXX	Studio Electives Select four 300/400-level courses in ART, ARTC, ARTD, ARTM, ARTO, ARTP, ARTR, or ARTS	12		
EDU 104	Orientation: Education Profession/Program	1		
EDU 300	Human Growth and Development	3	EDP 202	x
EDU 305	Introduction to Education	2	EDU 201	x
EDU 311	Admission Field Experience Secondary	2		
EDU 313	Instructional Technology	3	EDU 204	x
EDU 316	Education in a Multicultural Society	3	Taken at NKU	x
EDU 319	Classroom Climate Management Secondary	1		
EDU 324	Fundamentals of Secondary Education	1		
EDU 325	Educational Assessment Secondary	2		
EDU 354	Read/Write Across Curriculum-Secondary	3		
EDU 393	Secondary Field Experience I	2		
EDU 396	Secondary Field Experience II	2		
EDU 496	Clinical Experience Secondary	12		
EDS 324	Instructional Planning for Inclusive Secondary Classrooms	3		
EDS 360	Students with Exceptionalities in School	3	EDP 203	x
PSY 100	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY 110	x

NKU Course	Course	Credits	GCTC Course	Taken at GCTC
CMST 101	Public Speaking	3	COM 181	x
	<b>Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU</b>	<b>80</b>		
	<b>Subtotal Major Credit Hours at GCTC</b>	<b>35</b>		
	<b>Total Major Credit Hours</b>	<b>115</b>		
	<b>Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours</b>	<b>141</b>		

Students pursuing a secondary education degree may also choose to concurrently complete a third major in special education. Students who enroll in the special education major are not required to take *EDS 360 Students with Exceptionalities in School* and can replace EDP 203 with another course at Gateway.

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