

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE 2024-2025

Associate of Arts to Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

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 Science (BS) in Computer Science 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 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 have an overall GPA of 2.0 and meet all prerequisites for courses and requirements for the 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. Some courses in this document may have prerequisites that are not reflected in the grid. Students should work with their advisor to ensure that prerequisites are met.

Credits for Certifications: Students with a current certification at the time of registering for classes will receive credit for equivalent NKU courses based on the following course mappings.

Cisco

NKU students who have taken and passed an examination from Cisco, and hold a current certification (at the time of registering for classes) will receive credit for an equivalent NKU course. The chart below shows the semester credit hours and the equivalent NKU course.

| EXAMINATION | EQUIVALENT NKU COURSE | TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS |
|--|---|-------------------------|
| CCNA Exam (200-301)* | CIT 247 Networking Fundamentals CIT 447 Network Design/Troubleshooting | 6 |
| CCNP Security Core Exam (350- 701)* | CYS 484 Network Security | 3 |
| Certified Entry Networking | CIT 247 Networking Fundamentals | 3 |

*Credit given for exams taken after Summer 2020

Computing Technology Industry Association (CompTIA)

NKU students who have taken and passed an examination from CompTIA, and hold a current certification (at the time of registering for classes) will receive credit for an equivalent NKU course. The chart below shows the semester credit hours and the equivalent NKU course.

| EXAMINATION | EQUIVALENT NKU COURSE | TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS |
|--|---|-------------------------|
| Security+ (versions SY0-501 and later) | CYS 285 Cybersecurity Fundamentals | 3 |
| Network+ | INF 284 Introduction to Computer Networks | 3 |
| Linux+ | CIT 371 Unix Systems | 3 |

Note: Students with Security+ exams SY0-401 and before will be required to take CYS 285.

CINCINNATI STATE AA TO NKU BS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE 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 or ENG 104 or ENG 105 | English Composition 2: Contemporary Issues English Composition 2: Writing about Literature English Composition 2: Technical Communication English Composition 2: Business Communication | 3 | ENG 102 or (GWR 200G) | |
| COMM 110 | Public Speaking | 3 | CMST 101 | |
| TBS XXX | Arts/Humanities List A Elective | 3 | TBD XXX | |
| TBS XXX | Arts/Humanities List B Elective | 3 | TBD XXX | |
| TBS XXX | Social/Behavioral Science List A Elective | 3 | TBD XXX | |
| TBS XXX | Social/Behavioral Science List B Elective | 3 | TBD XXX | |
| MAT 251 | Calculus I | 5 | MAT 129 + MAT 100T | |
| TBS XXX | Natural/Physical Science Elective 1 | 3 | TBD XXX | |
| TBS XXX | Natural/Physical Science Elective 2 | 3 | TBD XXX | |
| MAT 252 | Calculus 2 | 5 | MAT 229 | |
| | Subtotal General Education Core | 37 | | |

TBS XXX means to be selected by Cincinnati 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 | UNV 100T | |
| HUM 190 | Career Exploration Seminar: AA/AS | 2 | CEP 101 | |
| HUM XXX | Co-op/Internship Elective 1 and Elective 2 | 2 | CEP 300 | |
| CPDM 120 | Fundamentals of Object-Oriented Programming with Python | 3 | CSC 260 | |
| IT 101 | Programming 1 | 3 | INF 120 | |
| IT 102 | Programming 2 | 3 | INF 200T | |
| IT 110 | HTML with CSS and JavaScript | 3 | INF 286 | |
| IT 111 | Database Design and SQL 1 | 3 | INF 282 | |
| IT 115 | Operating Systems Administration 1 | 3 | CIT 271 | |
| NETA 115 | Networking Essentials | 3 | INF 284 | |
| | Total Associate Degree Credit Hours | 63 | | |

Northern Kentucky University

| NKU Course | Course | Credits | CState Course | Taken at CState |
|-----------------------|---|---------|---|-----------------------|
| INF 100 | Orientation to College of Informatics | 1 | Waived for students with AA degree | х |
| INF 120 | Elementary Programming | 3 | IT 101 | х |
| INF 284 or CIT 247 | Introduction to Networks and Data OR Networking Fundamentals Recommend: CIT 247 for CIT Minor Req. | 3 | NETA 115 | x |
| INF 286 | Introduction to Web Development | 3 | IT 110 | х |
| CSC 260 | Object-Oriented Programming I | 3 | CPDM 120 | х |
| CSC 350 | Database Programming | 3 | | |
| CSC 360 | Object-Oriented Programming II | 3 | | |
| CSC 362 | Computer Systems | 3 | | |
| CSC 364 | Data Structures and Algorithms | 3 | | |
| CSC 402 | Advanced Programming Methods | 3 | | |
| CSC 439 | Software Testing and Maintenance | 3 | | |
| CSC 440 | Software Engineering | 3 | | |
| CSC 460 | Operating Systems | 3 | | |
| CSC 485 | Theory of Computation | 3 | | |
| CSC 491 | Comprehensive Examination | 0 | | |
| CSC XXX | Select one 300/400-level CSC course not included above. CIT 381 may count toward this elective. | 3 | | |
| TBS XXX TBS XXX | Select two 400-level CSC courses not included above. MAT 360 may count for either a 300- level or 400-level course. | 6 | | |
| MAT 129 | Calculus I - QR | 4 | MAT 251 | х |
| MAT 229 | Calculus II | 5 | MAT 252 | х |
| STA 250 | Probability and Statistics I | 3 | | |
| MAT 385 | Discrete mathematics | 3 | | |
| | Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU | 42 | | |
| | Subtotal Major Credit Hours at CState | 22 | | |
| | Total Major Credit Hours | 64 | | |

Category 3: NKU Major Requirements for the BS in Computer Science

Category 4: Additional Requirements at NKU

| Category | Credits | |
|---|---------|--|
| Subtotal Minor/Focus Hours | 6-24 | |
| (6 credits needed for a minor in Mathematics) | | |
| Subtotal Elective Credit Hours | 0-9 | |
| Minimum Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit | 120 | |
| Hours | | |

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