



TWO DEGREES, ONE PATH

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE 2025-2026

Associate in Applied Science in Health Science Technology
to Bachelor of Science in Health Science (Degree Completion Track)

Overview

Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for the Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Health Science Technology at a Kentucky Community and Technical College (KCTCS) institution and leads to the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Health Science – Degree Completion Track degree at Northern Kentucky University (NKU).

Applying to the KCTCS2NKU 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 their KCTCS institution, enrolled in an associate degree program, plan to transfer to NKU, and maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA at their KCTCS institution.

Degree Requirements for KCTCS

1) Minimum cumulative GPA 2.0, 2) minimum of 25 percent of credit hours required for the degree earned at the institution awarding the degree, and 3) demonstration of digital literacy.

Admission Requirements to NKU

Students completing an associate degree with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher will be accepted into NKU. Students wishing to enroll in the Health Science Completer degree must have a minimum college GPA of 2.30. The Degree Completion Track is designed for students who have an earned associate degree in a health discipline looking to complete a bachelor's degree.

Students who complete one of the following associate degrees at a Kentucky Community and Technical College can apply for admission into NKU's Health Science - Degree Completion Track.

- Dental Hygiene
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- Emergency Medical Services – Paramedic
- Health Information Technology

- Health Science Technology
- Massage Therapy Technology
- Medical Assisting
- Medical Information Technology
- Medical Laboratory Technician
- Occupational Therapy Assistant
- Orthotics and Prosthetics Technology
- Physical Therapist Assistant
- Radiography
- Respiratory Therapist
- Surgical First Assisting
- Surgical Technology

This major can be completed online. Courses are offered in seven-week formats. Tuition for online accelerated programs differs from face-to-face tuition. Scholarship pricing is available to KCTCS students who choose to enroll in the fully online program. Visit our website for more information about the [Health Science Accelerated Online 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 must have an overall GPA of 2.0, earn a C or better in major courses, and meet all prerequisites for courses and requirements for the major. An associate of applied science (AAS) degree or equivalent from a regionally accredited institution serves as an imbedded minor for the program.

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 \$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.

**KCTCS AAS IN HEALTH SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY
TO NKU BS IN HEALTH SCIENCE (DEGREE COMPLETION TRACK) CHECKLIST**

Kentucky Community and Technical College System

Category 1: KCTCS General Education Requirements

| KCTCS Course | Course or Category | Credits | NKU Course | Completed |
|-----------------------|---|----------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| ENG 101 | Writing I (WC) | 3 | ENG 101 | |
| TBS XXX | Oral Communication Course (OC) | 3 | TBD XXX | |
| TBS XXX | Heritage or Humanities Course (AH) | 3 | TBD XXX | |
| TBS XXX | Social or Behavioral Science Course (SB) | 3 | TBD XXX | |
| MAT 110 or TBS XXX | Applied Mathematics (QR for AAS) or Higher Level Quantitative Reasoning (QR) | 3 | MAT 100G TBD XXX | |
| PSY 110 | General Psychology | 3 | PSY 100 | |
| BIO 135 or BIO 137 | Basic Anatomy and Physiology with Lab (SL) Human Anatomy and Physiology I with Lab (SL) | 4 | BIO 121/121L BIO 208/208L | |
| | Subtotal General Education Courses | 22 | | |

TBS XXX means to be selected by KCTCS student.

TBD XXX means to be determined by NKU based on course selected.

Category 2: KCTCS AAS Requirements for Health Science Technology

| KCTCS Course | Course or Category | Credits | NKU Course | Completed |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------|---------------------|------------------|
| TBS XXX | Digital Literacy | 0-3 | TBD XXX | |
| CLA 131 or MIT 103 or AHS 115 | Medical Terminology from Greek or Latin or Medical Office Terminology or Medical Terminology | 3 | BIO 272 | |
| CPR 100 or KHP 190 | CPR for Healthcare Professionals or First Aid and Emergency Care | 0-2 | HEA 100T HEA 135 | |
| TBS XXX | Health Science Technical Courses | 35 | TBD XXX | |
| | Subtotal AAS Requirement Courses | 38-43 | | |
| | Total Associate Degree Hours | 60-65 | | |

Health Science Technical Course selection must result in final attainment of a minimum of three certificate credentials. Attainment of additional certificates may be awarded to complete the required hours in the Health Science Technical Courses. Please refer to the KCTCS catalog or work with your advisor on course selection.

Northern Kentucky University

Category 4: NKU Additional General Education Courses

| NKU Course | Course or Category | Credits | KCTCS Course | Taken at KCTCS |
|--|------------------------|-----------|--------------|----------------|
| ENG 102 | Written II | 3 | ENG 102 | |
| TBS XXX | Natural Science | 3 | | |
| TBS XXX | Self and Society | 3 | | |
| TBS XXX | Culture and Creativity | 3 | | |
| TBS XXX | Global Viewpoints | 3 | | |
| Subtotal General Education Credit Hours | | 15 | | |

The KCTCS Heritage and Humanities course will likely transfer as a Culture and Creativity credit, but discuss your choice with an advisor to know for sure which NKU general education category it will fulfill. These course could meet general education certification requirements at KCTCS.

If students complete both BIO 137 and BIO 139, they will fulfill both science general education requirements at NKU.

Category 5: NKU Major Requirements for BS in Health Science

| NKU Course | Course | Credits | KCTCS Course | Taken at KCTCS |
|---|---|-----------|--|----------------|
| HHS 500 | Teaching & Learning in Healthcare Education | 3 | | |
| HIN 355 | Foundations of Health Informatics | 3 | | |
| HSC 410 | Healthcare Management | 3 | | |
| HSC 413 | Aging in Today's Society | 3 | | |
| HSC 415 | Ethical and Legal Issues in Healthcare | 3 | | |
| HSC 421 | Healthcare Research | 3 | | |
| HSC 440 | Issues in Chronic Disease Management | 3 | | |
| HSC 480 | Global Perspectives in Healthcare | 3 | | |
| HSC 510 | Trends and Cultural Issues in Healthcare | 3 | | |
| LDR 308 | Leadership Development | 3 | | |
| STA 205 | Statistical Methods | 3 | STA 220 or (MAT 151 or STA 151 or MAT 161) + STA 251 | |
| Subtotal Major Credit Hours at NKU | | 33 | | |

Category 6: Additional Requirements at NKU

| NKU Course | Course | Credits | KCTCS Course | Taken at KCTCS |
|------------|--|------------|--------------|----------------|
| | Subtotal Elective (300/400 level) Hours | 15 | | |
| | Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours | 123 | | |

Elective credit at the 300-level may be granted after specific Health Science Technical Courses are evaluated by NKU, thus reducing total credit hours for the BS degree to 120.

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