



TWO DEGREES, ONE PATH

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE 2025-2026

Associate in Arts to
Bachelor of Social Work

Overview

Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for the Associate in Arts (AA) at Maysville Community and Technical College (GCTC) and leads to the Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) at Northern Kentucky University (NKU).

Applying to the MCTC2NKU 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 MCTC, enrolled in an associate degree program, plan to transfer to NKU, and maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA at MCTC.

Degree Requirements for MCTC

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, and 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.

Note: To move on to Phase 2 in the path to a Bachelor of Social Work at NKU, students must earn a C- or better in six required pre-requisite courses (SWK 105, SWK 106, SWK 204, SWK 205, SWK 206, and a 3 hour statistics course) and have maintained a minimum overall GPA of 2.75.

Degree Requirements for NKU

To graduate with a Bachelor of Social Work, a student must successfully complete all required social work courses and all program required supportive courses with a grade of C- or better and have a minimum GPA of 2.75 or higher. At least 45 credit hours must be 300 level or above. Students must

meet the pre-requisites for each course. At least 25 percent of the total required hours and the last 30 credit hours must be completed at NKU. Students must complete a minimum of 120 credit hours. A focus or 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 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.

MCTC AA TO NKU BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK CHECKLIST

Maysville Community and Technical College

Category 1: MCTC General Education Core Requirements

MCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
ENG 101	Writing I (WC)	3	ENG 101	
ENG 102	Writing II (WC)	3	ENG 102	
COM 181 or COM 252	Basic Public Speaking (OC) or Interpersonal Communication (OC)	3	CMST 101 or CMST 220	
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities Course (AH) – Heritage	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities Course (AH) – Humanities	3	TBS 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	3	TBD XXX	
MAT 141 or MAT 146	Liberal Arts Mathematics (QR) or Contemporary College Mathematics (QR)	3	MAT 115	
STA 220	Statistics (QR)	3	STA 205	
Subtotal General Education Core Courses		33		

TBS XXX means to be selected by MCTC 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.

A grade of A or B in MAT 150 equates to MAT 103 + MAT 100T. Grade of C or D in MAT 150 equates to MAT 102 + MAT 100T.

Category 2: MCTC AA Requirements

MCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities (AH) or Social & Behavioral Science (SB) or Foreign Language Course	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Arts & Humanities (AH) or Social & Behavioral Science (SB) or Foreign Language Course	3	TBD XXX	
Subtotal AA Requirement Courses		6		

Category 3: MCTC Electives

MCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
	Digital Literacy	0-3		
	First-Year Experience	0-3		

MCTC Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
SWK 124	Introduction to Social Services	3	SWK 105	
Taken at NKU	Introduction to Social Justice	3	SWK 106	
Taken at NKU	Social Work Ethics	3	SWK 204	
Taken at NKU	Inclusion, Oppression, & Social Work	3	SWK 205	
Taken at NKU	Professional Communication	3	SWK 206	
TBS XXX	Elective	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Elective	3	TBD XXX	
	Subtotal Elective Courses	21		
	Total Associate Degree Hours	60		

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

Northern Kentucky University

Category 4: NKU Major Requirements for Social Work

NKU Course	Course	Credits	MCTC Course	Taken at MCTC
SWK 105	Social Work and the Community	3	SWK 124	x
SWK 106	Introduction to Social Justice	3	Taken at NKU	x
SWK 204	Social Work Ethics	3	Taken at NKU	x
SWK 205	Inclusion, Oppression, & Social Work	3	Taken at NKU	x
SWK 206	Professional Communication	3	Taken at NKU	x
STA XXX	Any 3 credit hours of Statistics	3	STA 220	x
SWK 303	Professional Interactional Skills	3		
SWK 304	Human Behavior in Childhood	3		
SWK 305	Practice with Individuals	3		
SWK 306	Contemporary Social Welfare Policy	3		
SWK 307	Human Behavior in Adulthood	3		
SWK 310	Practice with Families & Groups	3		
SWK 311	Practice with Communities & Organizations	3		
SWK 392	Social Work Research	3		
SWK 406	Field Experience I	5		
SWK 408	Field Experience II	5		
Select 9 cr:	Select 9 credit hours from the following: Special Topics: Social Work (1-3 cr) Child Abuse Child Welfare PCWCP I Child Welfare PCWCP II Safety in Social Work Practice (1-4 cr) Special Topics: Bachelor of Social Work (1-3 cr) Independent Study (1-6 cr) Substance Use and Misuse Compassion, Empathy and Forgiveness	9		

NKU Course	Course	Credits	MCTC Course	Taken at MCTC
SWK 572	Family-Directed Structural Model			
SWK 576	Forensic Social Work			
SWK 577	Social Work & the Law			
SWK 578	Social Work in Law Enforcement Settings			
SWK 579	Aging & Mental Health			
SWK 594	Gerontology			
SWK 595	Special Topics: Issues in Social Work (1-3 cr)			
	Social Work Study Abroad			
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours Taken at NKU	43		
	Subtotal Major Credit Hours Taken at MCTC	18		
	Total Major Credit Hours	61		

Category 5: Additional Requirements at NKU

NKU Course	Course	Credits	MCTC Course	Taken at MCTC
	Subtotal Minor Credit Hours Taken at NKU	12-24		
	Subtotal Elective (300/400 level) Hours	0-5		
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	120		

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