

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE

2025-2026

Associate of Applied Science in Nursing at Sinclair College to a
Bachelor of Science in Nursing – R.N. to B.S.N.
at Northern Kentucky University

Overview

Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Nursing degree at Sinclair College and leads to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree at Northern Kentucky University (NKU).

Degree Requirements for Sinclair College

To earn a degree at Sinclair College, a student must complete a minimum of 60 credit hours, attain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0, and earn a minimum of 20 credit hours at Sinclair College.

Admission Requirements for NKU

Students completing an associate degree with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher will be accepted into NKU.

Admission Requirements for the R.N. to B.S.N. program:

- Be fully admitted to NKU as a degree-seeking student.
- Submit a separate application to the R.N. to B.S.N. program.
- Submit to the Office of Admissions:
 - Official transcripts from an associate degree in nursing.
 - Official transcripts from all postsecondary work completed.
- Possess a cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- Complete the following prerequisite courses with a minimum grade of C in each course.
Courses in parentheses are Sinclair College courses.
 - ENG 101 (ENG 1101) and ENG 102 (ENG 1201)
 - BIO 208/208L (BIO 1141) and BIO 209/209L (BIO 1242)
 - BIO 202/202L (BIO 2205)
 - PSY 100 (PSY 1100)
 - PSY 321 (PSY 2200) or EDU 300 (PSY 2242)
 - PHI 220 or PHI 200 (PHI 2206)
- Hold current, unrestricted R.N. licensure within the first semester of admission to R.N. to B.S.N. program. Proof of R.N. licensure in state of practice is mandatory prior to enrollment in any nursing course.

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 Sinclair College students who choose to enroll in the fully online program. Visit our website for more information about the [Nursing Accelerated Online program](#).

Tuition and Scholarships

For information on tuition and scholarships, please visit <https://nku.edu/admissions/adult/online.html>

NKU Contact

For more information, students should contact Kim McCoy, Assistant Director of Transfer Services, at mccoyk8@nku.edu.

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 higher in all major courses, and meet all prerequisites for courses and requirements for the major. A minor is not required for this major.

SINCLAIR COLLEGE AAS IN NURSING TO NKU BSN CHECKLIST

Sinclair College

Category 1: Sinclair Requirements for the AAS in Nursing

Sinclair Course	Course or Category	Credits	NKU Course	Completed
ALH 1101	Introduction to Healthcare Delivery	2	HEA 100T	
ALH 2202	General Pharmacology	3	HSC 105	
BIO 1141	Principles of Anatomy & Physiology I	4	BIO 208/208L	
BIO 1242	Principles of Anatomy & Physiology II	4	BIO 209/209L	
BIO 2205 or CHE 1111	Microbiology Introduction to Chemistry I	4	BIO 202/202L CHE 100G/L	
COM 2206	Interpersonal Communication	3	CMST 220	
ENG 1101	English Composition I	3	ENG 101	
MAT 1130 or TBS XXX	Mathematics in Health Science or Ohio Transfer 36: Mathematics Elective	3	MAT 100T or TBD XXX	
NSG 1200	Introduction to Nursing	1	NUR 100T	
NSG 1400	Health & Illness I: Foundational Concepts in Nursing	7	NUR 100T	
NSG 1450	Professional Nursing I: Introduction to the Role of the Professional Nurse	2	NUR 100T	
NSG 1600	Health & Illness II: Health & Wellness Concepts	7	NUR 100T	
NSG 1650	Professional Nursing II: Healthcare System Concepts	2	NUR 100T	
NSG 2400	Health & Illness III: Health & Wellness Concepts	7	NUR 200T	
NSG 2450	Professional Nursing III: Leadership & Management of Care	2	NUR 200T	
NSG 2600	Concept Synthesis	8	NUR 200T	
PSY 1100	General Psychology	3	PSY 100	
	Total Associate Degree Hours	65		

TBS XXX means to be selected by Sinclair College student.

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

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Category 2: NKU Additional General Education Requirements

NKU Course	Course	Credits	Sinclair Course	Taken at Sinclair
ENG 102	Advanced College Writing	3		
TBS XXX	Cultural Pluralism	3		
TBS XXX	Individual & Society	3		

NKU Course	Course	Credits	Sinclair Course	Taken at Sinclair
TBS XXX	Culture & Creativity	6		
	Subtotal General Education Courses	15		

Category 3: NKU Major Requirements for the BSN

NKU Course	Course	Credits	Sinclair Course	Taken at Sinclair
STA 205	Statistical Methods	3	MAT 1450	
PSY 321 or EDU 300	Lifespan Development or Human Growth and Development	3	PSY 2200 PSY 2242	
PHI 200 or PHI 220	Ethics or Health Care Ethics	3	PHI 2206	
HIN 355	Foundations of Health Informatics	3		
NRP 470	Role Transformation	3		
NRP 472	Nursing Research and Evidence based Practice	3		
NRP 474	Models of Care Delivery	3		
NRP 475	Population Centered Health in the Community	3		
NRP 476	Genetics and Genomics in Nursing	3		
NRP 477	Leadership in Nursing	3		
NRP 478	Nursing Leadership Practicum	3		
NRP 481	Current Trends & Issues in Nursing	3		
NRP 483	Caring & Communication for Older Adults	3		
	Total NKU Major Credit Hours	39		
	Elective credits covered by the NCLEX to meet graduation requirement (at no cost to student)	12		
	Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours	131		

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National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN)

A requirement for admission to the R.N. to B.S.N. program is an active registered nursing license. In order to obtain a nursing license, nurses must take and pass the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN). Validation for passing the exam will be to verify a current license with the state board of nursing in which the student is licensed.

Students with an active registered nursing license will receive credit for NKU courses according to the chart below after they are enrolled in the R.N. to B.S.N. program.

EXAMINATION	PREREQUISITE	MINIMUM SCORE	EQUIVALENT NKU COURSES	SEMESTER CREDITS
Active registered nursing license via NCLEX.	ADN or Diploma	Pass	NRS 330 Principles of Psych & Mental Health Nursing (3) NRS 330P Psych & Mental Health Nursing Practicum (2) NRS 360 Principles of OB & Newborn Nursing (3) NRS 360P OB & Newborn Nursing Practicum (2) NRS 415 Principles of Pediatric Nursing (3) NRS 415P Pediatric Nursing Practicum (2) NRS 450 Advanced Medical-Surgical Nursing (3) NRS 450P Advanced Medical-Surgical Practicum (2) SCI 100G (3)	23