Associate Degree Requirements

Comprehensive Requirements

To qualify for an associate degree, students must satisfy the following requirements:

1. Complete all requirements in the degree program as established by appropriate University committees.
2. Complete University academic requirements, including basic skills proficiencies in English, reading, and mathematics; and general education; as established by appropriate University committees for each degree program.
3. Complete a minimum of 60 semester credit hours.
4. Earn a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 on all college-level work taken at Eastern Kentucky University. In addition, transfer students must earn a minimum GPA of 2.0 on the combined transfer work and Eastern Kentucky University work.
5. Earn a minimum of 15 semester hours through Eastern Kentucky University.
6. Earn the credits applicable to major and supporting degree requirements within eight years prior to the date the degree is awarded. Credits more than eight years old may be used to meet general education, upper division, and free elective areas. The college dean of a student’s major may validate individual eight-year-old (or older) coursework as meeting major and/or supporting requirements.
7. Students enrolled in MAT 090 are not permitted to enroll in any course with the following prefix: AST, BIO, CHE, CIS, CNM, CSC, FOR, GLY, NAT, PHY, SCI or STA.

General Education Requirements for Associate Degrees: Students in associate degree programs must earn a minimum of 15 hours in courses approved for general education. These hours must include ENG 101 and ENG 102 or their equivalent. The nine additional hours must include one course in each of the following General Education Elements: 3A, 3B, or 3A/B (Arts and Humanities); 5A, or 5B (Social and Behavioral Sciences); and 2 (Mathematics), 4A (Life Science with Lab), or 4B (Physical Science with Lab).

Baccalaureate Degree Requirements

Comprehensive Requirements

To qualify for a baccalaureate degree, students must satisfy the following requirements:

1. Complete all requirements in the degree program as established by appropriate University committees.
2. Complete University academic requirements, as established by appropriate University committees for each degree program, that includes:
   A.) Basic skills proficiencies in English, reading, and mathematics,
   B.) Student Success Seminar (or equivalent course) to be completed during student’s first full-time semester at EKU,
   C.) a writing-intensive course,
   D.) One of the university approved Wellness courses,
   E.) General Education, and
F.) The Applied Creative and Critical Thinking (ACCT) requirement.
3. Complete a minimum of 120 semester credit hours, with at least 42 hours at the 300 level or above.
4. Earn a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 on all college-level work taken at Eastern Kentucky University. In addition, transfer students must earn a minimum GPA of 2.0 on the combined transfer work and Eastern Kentucky University work.
5. Earn a minimum of 30 semester hours through EKU if the student is pursuing a 120 hour degree program. If the degree program sought requires greater than 120 semester hours, the minimum EKU residency credit shall be no less than 25% of the total program hours.
6. Earn the credits applicable to the major and supporting degree requirements within eight years prior to the date the degree is awarded. Credits more than eight years old may be used to meet general education, upper division and free elective requirements, as well as major requirements for the General Studies degree. The college dean of a student’s major may validate individual 8-year-old courses to count for non-General Studies major and supporting requirements.