

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

Complete at VCCS				Course and Curricular Information for Norfolk State University
BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT	SATISFIED BY			Information for students planning to transfer to Norfolk State University through the GAA, upon completion of the associate degree
Course	Credits	CC Course	Notes	
SEM 101 (1 credit), SEM 102 (1 credit), and SEM 201 (1 credit)	1-2	SDV 100 or 101	Students will receive 1 or 2 credits based on the number of credits transferred from the VCCS course. Students may need to take SEM 201 or additional 1 or 2 credits at NSU to meet the minimum credit hours required for graduation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Upper-Level Gen. Ed. Requirement:</b> Two of the following: ENG 383, MUS 234, HIS 335, HIS 336, HRP 320, HIS 371 These courses satisfy the University's cultural elective requirement and are considered upper-division gen. ed. courses. Departments may require specific courses for their majors.</li> <li>● <b>Major Core:</b> The major consists of a minimum of 27 semester hours in a subject or discipline.</li> <li>● <b>Lower-Division Major Electives:</b> Any 200-300 level courses in major or as required by program.</li> <li>● <b>Upper-Division Major Electives:</b> Any 400-level courses in major or as required by program.</li> <li>● <b>General Electives:</b> Any upper-division electives or as required by program.</li> <li>● <b>Capstone Course, Internship, or Practicum:</b> As required by program.</li> <li>● <b>Minor or Double Major:</b> See advisor to plan additional credit hours.</li> <li>● <b>Major-Specific Transfer Guides:</b> Transfer guides are available for specific majors. Please use the major-specific transfer guide, when applicable, to refer to specific program requirements in the major.</li> </ul>
ENG 101	3	ENG 111		
ENG 102	3	ENG 112 OR 113		
ENG 285	3	CST 100 or CST 110	A UCGS course in public speaking or communication is required.	
ENG 207, FIA 201, or MUS 301	3	Any UCGS Humanities, Fine Arts, or Lit	This course must be a UCGS course at the 200 level or above.	
HIS 101 or HIS 103	3	Any UCGS History		
SOC 101, BUS 175, or ECN 200	3	Any UCGS Social or Behavioral Science	Cannot be a history course	
BIO 100 (3 credits), SCI 101 (for Non-Science Majors) (3 credits) and BIO 100L (1 credit) or SCI 101L (1 credit)	4	Any UCGS Lab Science	There are 7 natural science credits required for general education. Students need to take an additional UCGS course in natural science.	
MTH 103	3	Any UCGS Math 154 or higher	Math gen ed	
CSC 150	3	CSC 110 or ITE 152	A course in computer literacy or digital telecommunications is required.	

PED 100 (1 credit) and HED 100 (2 credits)	3	Any UCGS course or PED 101 and HLT 110		
Pre-Major/Gen Ed	28-30	Pre-Major/Gen Ed	Consult Major-Specific Transfer Guides to determine best classes to complete.	
CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: 60-62				CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 60

## TRANSFER GUIDANCE

### Guaranteed Admission Agreement between NSU and the VCCS

By meeting the following criteria, you are guaranteed admittance into Norfolk State University. This agreement does not guarantee your enrollment in any specific major.

- Earn a transfer associate degree (AA, AS, or AA&S) with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- Complete all courses in the pathway, earning a grade of C or higher on all courses.
- A minimum of 30 credits must be completed at the 2-year college awarding the associate degree.
- A maximum of 63 credits will transfer and apply toward a bachelor's degree requirements.
- Submit (register) your intent by the end of your first semester using the portal.
- Submit your transfer application for admission by May 1, including an unofficial transcript.
- Request an official transcript to be sent upon completing the associate degree.
- Transfer within four years of first enrolling at the community college and within one year of completing an appropriate associate degree.
- Dual enrollment students, see bullet below for clarification on eligibility.

Please visit the [TransferVirginia.org](https://www.transfervirginia.org) portal to find course requirements for different majors (Transfer Tools) and Transfer Guides that outline course requirements for specific majors (Resource Center).

See the [VCCS Transfer Programs](#) page for more details in our Guaranteed Admission Agreement.

No letter of intent is required to apply for guaranteed admission.

### IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- **University Transfer Center:** Transfer Admissions & Services <https://www.nsu.edu/transfer>
- **Register Intent to Transfer:** By the end of your first semester at the Community College through College Connect at [www.TransferVirginia.org](https://www.TransferVirginia.org)
- **Admission Application:** By May 1 at <https://www.nsu.edu/Admissions-Aid/Apply-Online>
- **Financial Aid:** <https://www.nsu.edu/tuition-and-financial-aid>
- **FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid:** By October 1 at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>

### WHAT SHOULD I CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING COURSES?

- Create a schedule for all required courses, pay attention to prerequisites and when courses are offered, complete your first math and English courses in your first year. For help, see Transfer Steps and Resource Center [www.TransferVirginia.org](https://www.TransferVirginia.org).
- Connect with an advisor at your community college and NSU within your first year. College Connect available in your account of [www.TransferVirginia.org](https://www.TransferVirginia.org).

### WHICH MAJORS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ME THROUGH THIS GAA?

Acceptance in some degree programs at NSU is competitive; thus, guaranteed admission into NSU does not imply admission to these programs without further acceptance by the program or department offering the program.

- Students participating in the GAA should follow all special college and/or departmental application procedures and deadlines when applying to the following programs:
  - a. B.S. Nursing (Traditional & RN to BSN Online)
  - b. B.S. Exercise Science (Kinesiotherapy)
  - c. B.S. Health Services Management
  - d. Bachelor's Degree in Social Work (BSW)
  - e. All degree programs with teacher certification endorsement programs in the Department of Early Childhood/Elementary & Special Education, Health & Physical Education, and Secondary Education & School Leadership.
- GAA students will be given the same consideration as all other students for admission to competitive programs, as well as for registration, financial aid, student housing, and any other opportunities open to other students.
- GAA students must follow all NSU application processes and specific special departmental/program application procedures, deadlines, and grade point average requirements.
- List of undergraduate programs at NSU: <https://catalog.nsu.edu/programs/#undergraduate>

### WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON MY DEGREE OF WORK I HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED?

- **Associate Transfer Degree Completion:** Completion of a transfer-level associate degree satisfies all lower-division general education requirements.
- **Dual Enrollment – Completion of Associate Degree in HS:** The agreement of guaranteed admission into the college applies to students earning an associate degree concurrent with high school who have completed a transfer-approved degree with a minimum of 45 credits completed through a Virginia Community College, with a GPA of 2.0 or higher and that meets all requirements outlined in the Transfer Guide.
- **Credit for Prior Learning:** All course credits that were awarded by the two-year institution for equivalent prior learning experiences (IB, AP, CLEP, Military, etc.) will transfer based on the transfer equivalence for the course awarded.
- **Catalog Year:** Catalog year determined by first semester of attendance at the community college post high school graduation. For students maintaining continuous enrollment, this entitlement will be in effect for a minimum of four years from the time of the student's first enrollment at the two-year institution. Students must enroll at the four-year institution within one year of completing their associate degree.

### IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

- NSU has been ranked by U.S. News and World Report as one of the Top 20 HBCUs in the nation.
- It is close to downtown Norfolk and within driving distance of Virginia Beach.
- On-campus housing is available. Weekend/evening/summer courses are available, and online degree options are available for several programs.
- NSU is a military-friendly institution.
- Learn more about our college at [www.TransferVirginia.org](https://www.TransferVirginia.org).

#### WHAT RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE TO HELP ME SELECT A MAJOR?

- Learn more about career pathways at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org).

#### DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- Completing your Associate transfer degree post high school satisfies all lower division general education requirements and increases the chance of completing your bachelor's degree?
- Exceeding 3 years or 90 credits at your community college means you may have exhausted your financial aid at that college and have limited your future financial aid at NSU?

#### WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

- If you apply through general application instead of through the GAA, you will be considered for admission with all other transfer applicants.
- NSU accepts close to 90 percent of students who complete an application.
- The average GPA of students admitted is a 2.9.
- Learn more about applying at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org).