



ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE

GENERAL OCCUPATIONAL/TECHNICAL STUDIES

Program Description

Thank you for your interest in the Associate of Applied Science General Occupational/Technical Studies Degree. Credit earned through certificate and diploma program completion will be applicable toward the Associate in Applied Science in General Occupational/Technical Studies degree when consistent with the objectives of the student's individual plan of study. This heavily advisor-driven model can combine certificates and/or diplomas in different disciplines for meeting employer needs for unique skill combinations for which there is no established degree program. As many as twenty hours of credit for experiential learning may be applied toward degree completion. KCTCS certificate and diploma credit and acceptable credit transferred from other colleges may also be applied to a student's program completion plan. At least 25 percent of the approved curriculum credits must be completed at the KCTCS institution granting the degree.

Students with an AAS in General Occupational/Technical Studies will have completed general education courses and credits in the categories noted. Students who transfer the GOTS degree into the Occupational Training and Development program at the University of Louisville will complete the KCTCS Transition general education listed on the program sheet. Transfer credit for the GOTS technical component applicable to the Occupational Training and Development program will be evaluated individually for each student.

With a KCTCS Associate of Applied Science in General Occupational/Technical Studies (GOTS), you may transfer this degree to the University of Louisville and complete the Bachelor of Science Administration Occupational Training and Development Degree completely online.

The Associate in Applied Science degree in General Occupational/Technical Studies provides flexible alternatives for meeting student and employer needs. This program serves two general purposes: 1) individualized program which provides a flexible curriculum that can be designed to meet specific student and workplace needs; and 2) degree completion provides a structure through which credit may be granted for significant prior learning experiences in occupational/technical areas.

List of Colleges

[Ashland Community & Technical College](#), [Big Sandy Community & Technical College](#), [Bowling Green Technical, College](#), [Bluegrass Community & Technical College](#), [Elizabethtown Community & Technical College](#), [Gateway Community & Technical College](#), [Hopkinsville Community College](#), [Hazard Community & Technical College](#), [Jefferson Community & Technical College](#), [Madisonville Community College](#), [Maysville Community & Technical College](#), [Owensboro Community & Technical College](#), [Southeast Kentucky Community & Technical College](#), [Somerset Community College](#), [West Kentucky Community & Technical College](#) offer this degree.

One of these colleges must be designated as your Home College. Even though the classes will be delivered by different KCTCS colleges, the Home College will admit you and take care of all of your student service needs including advising, library services, billing, financial aid, etc.

Getting Started

Students may register for KCTCS online classes offered system wide directly at any KCTCS college. Individuals may also complete a “course inquiry” submit form through www.kyvc.org. KYVC course inquiries are submitted directly to the KCTCS Home College identified by the student. The student’s chosen Home College processes the course inquiry either through formal admission procedures or class enrollment. Additional information about KCTCS admission requirements and college contacts may be accessed at www.kctcs.edu/distancelearning.

Competencies

Varies by area of Technical Specialization

Course Requirements

Here is a listing of the classes involved in this degree. There may be additional courses that meet these requirements. Please check the current course catalog and online class schedule for additional information and offerings. The entire Associate in Applied Science degree may be completed online; however, some faculty may require proctored exams. Approved proctored sites are listed at www.kctcs.edu/distancelearning under student services.

KCTCS Courses – Associate in Applied Science		
GOTS General Education (from published KCTCS general education course list)		
Course		Credit
Mathematics (SACS requires natural sciences/COE requires mathematics)		3
Natural/Applied Science (SACS requires natural sciences/math, COE requires natural or applied sciences)		3
Behavioral Science/Social Interaction (SACS requires social/behavioral science, COE requires behavioral science)		3
Humanities/Fine Arts (SACS requires humanities/fine arts)		3
Writing/Accessing Information		3
Additional General Education Coursework		0 - 12
GOTS General Education Subtotal:		15 - 27
GOTS Technical Component		
Computer Literacy (Computer literacy must be demonstrated either by competency exam or by completing a computer literacy course)		3
Technical Courses: Industrial Technology, Business Technology, or Health and Human Services		42-58
Subtotal		45-61
GOTS Technical Subtotal:		60-76
Additional General Education if transferring to University of Louisville's Bachelor of Science in Occupational Training and Development		
ENG 102	Writing II	3
COM 81	Basic Public Speaking (OR)	3
COM 252	Introduction to Interpersonal Communication	(3)
Humanities		3
Social/Behavioral Science		6
Natural Science (incl. Lab)		3-4
Additional General Education		18-19

HELPFUL LINKS

COURSES: <http://www.kctcs.edu/distancelearning/Courses.htm>

CONTACTS: <http://www.kctcs.edu/distancelearning/collegeContacts.htm>

FINANCIAL AID: <http://www.kctcs.edu/student/financialaidscholarships/index.htm>

GETTING STARTED: <http://www.kctcs.edu/distancelearning/gettingstarted.htm>

KCTCS CONTACTS: <http://www.kctcs.edu/distancelearning/DLPeerTeam.htm>

ONLINE BOOKSTORE: <http://www.campusstores.com/kctcs/index.asp>

STUDENT TUTORIAL: <http://www.kctcs.edu/distancelearning/tutorials.htm>