

Applied Associate Transfer Agreement

General Education Credits

A student earning an applied associate degree from a Kentucky Community and Technical College System college, Lexington Community College, or a Kentucky public four-year institution shall receive block transfer credit¹ for all general education courses². Upon enrollment in a baccalaureate program, applied associate degree recipients will receive general education credit for the number of general education credits completed in their applied associate degree program. (Applied associate degree general education requirements generally range from 15 to 27 credit hours.) General education credits will apply toward the institutional general education requirements of the baccalaureate program in which the student subsequently enrolls. Students will be required to complete the additional general education requirements of the baccalaureate institution to which they transfer but shall not be required to retake comparable general education courses or to repeat general education courses completed with a passing grade (D or above) as part of the applied associate program. A grade of C or above may be required for specific courses for some baccalaureate programs. Students transferring with an applied associate degree may be required to take additional general education courses that are specifically required for the baccalaureate program.

Discipline-Specific Credits

Discipline-specific block transfer credit will be based on program related transfer arrangements between the KCTCS, LCC, or a university offering an applied associate program and the baccalaureate institution(s) offering relevant programs. Specific transfer agreements, designed for each applied associate program, may incorporate competencies achieved in the associate program, the student's grade on related licensing or qualifying examinations, and relevant work experience as agreed to by the KCTCS, LCC, or a university offering an applied associate program and the university(ies) offering related baccalaureate programs into which applied associate recipients are most likely to enter and successfully complete.

Advising Responsibilities

The KCTCS, LCC, or the four-year university that awards an applied associate degree will provide a list of baccalaureate program agreements to applied associate degree recipients.

Each institution offering applied associate degree programs is responsible for providing comprehensive academic advising information to applied associate students. Each baccalaureate institution is responsible for providing comprehensive academic advising information to students who wish to transfer to that institution.

¹ Block transfer credit means that a student's courses, both general education and discipline-related, will not be analyzed individually by the receiving institution. But rather, the courses will be accepted for transfer credit according to the general education code assigned by the sending institution and the transfer agreement for the student's major.

² Transferrable general education courses are identified with a CPE general education code on the council's course inventory.