



100% Online Bachelor's Degree in General Studies

EKU's online bachelor's degree in general studies allows you to align your previous coursework and current classes with your interests and career goals. This program balances the critical skills needed to advance in the workforce with a thorough background in the liberal arts. Graduates have broad employment and graduate/professional school opportunities.



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ONLINE



\$443 PER
CREDIT HOUR

DEGREE OPTIONS

- General Studies Associate Degree
- General Studies Bachelor's Degree

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Eastern Kentucky University is a nationally recognized public university located in Richmond, Kentucky. ECU began offering online degrees in 2006 and continues to service students with both on-campus and online offerings.

BENEFITS

- Fully accredited, brick-and-mortar institution
- 8-week terms
- Free textbooks for all students with [EKU BookSmart](#)
- [Reduced tuition for active duty military members and their spouses](#)
- Personalized graduation plan
- Study anytime, from any where
- Quality courses from respected faculty who teach the same classes online and on-campus
- Ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* among the best universities offering online degrees

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GENERAL STUDIES

Student Success Seminar

Foundations of Learning 1 - GSD 101

A course to promote student success and lay the foundation for critical and creative thinking across the curriculum. Open to all first year students with fewer than 30 semester hours earned.

Writing Intensive Course (Hrs. incorporated into Major/Supporting/Gen Ed/Free Electives category)

Upper division courses (42 hrs. distributed throughout Major/Supporting/Gen Ed/Free Electives categories) At least 6 hrs. must be 400-level or higher.

ACCT – General Studies majors may fulfill ACCT with any of the following options:

Thesis Project and Seminar - HON 420

Work under field supervisors in placements related to academic studies. Minimum 80 hours work for each credit hour. Repeatable up to 16 credit hours.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

ACCT Requirement

Choose from one of the following:

Professional Skill Development - GSD 399

Will help students recognize and build skills needed for desired career fields. Topics include: job search, resumes, cover letters, interview skills, and making connections between academic experiences and professional goals.

Applied Learning (3 credit hours of co-op/applied learning) - GSD 349

Work under field supervisors in placements related to academic studies. Minimum 80 hours work for each credit hour. Repeatable up to 16 credit hours.

Service Learning (S) course

EKU-approved Study Abroad course

FREE ELECTIVES...78

TOTAL HOURS...120

Waived for students who enter EKU with 30+ hrs. of courses ordinarily accepted for transfer credit by Eastern Kentucky University. Student Success Seminars will not be waived for AP and Dual Credit hours.

Note: General Studies students are encouraged to earn minors and/or certificates. Advisors will assist students with identifying minors and certificates.

[EKU UNDERGRADUATE CATALOG](#)

What can I do with this degree?

CAREER OUTLOOK

Higher education is a critical component of advancing in the workforce. Earning a degree requires not only hard work, but a significant time commitment and sometimes life gets in the way. If you started your degree and had to stop for any reason, ECU's online general studies degree could be the first step to reaching your goals. The general studies degree program has a generous credit transfer policy and is ideal for individuals with previous college credits.

The degree is also flexible and can be applied to jobs in a variety of fields including:

- Business
- Education
- Government
- Healthcare
- Technology

SALARY ESTIMATES

Why should I choose ECU Online?

STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

The highlight of my experience while attending ECU Online was definitely the ECU faculty. All of the professors demonstrated a true passion for the subject they taught. It was always clearly evident that they cared greatly about the success of each of their students. Whether it's the amount of detail put into designing courses or the dedication each professor displays for the success of every student in the course, ECU distance learning is set up to make sure every student succeeds.

- Garrett Chain,

ECU Online General Studies Graduate

SEE OTHER ECU STUDENT STORIES

Can I afford to go back to school?

FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS

Paying for school doesn't have to be overwhelming. Almost everyone, regardless of income, can qualify for some form of financial aid. We're here to help you learn about available options and what may be right for your unique situation.

- Grants
- Federal Loans
- Private Loans
- Military Benefits
- Departmental Scholarships
- Outside Scholarships
- Foundation Scholarships
- Employer Tuition Reimbursement

MORE FINANCIAL AID INFO

Questions about financial aid?

Big E Central

BigECentral@eku.edu

(859) 622-2361

EKU Online offers a range of scholarships designed to address the financial needs of our students, lower the overall cost of attendance and reward a student's scholastic achievements.

EKU UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS

Start Strong Scholarship Fund (undergraduate programs only)

The Start Strong Scholarship provides up to \$2,000 per year of need-based scholarship funds for newly admitted undergraduate students. Candidates must have a completed FAFSA application, but are not required to be eligible for FAFSA awarded funding.

Stay Strong Scholarship Fund (undergraduate programs only)

The Stay Strong Scholarship provides up to \$1,000 per year of need-based scholarship funds for qualified undergraduate students who have completed two semesters with EKU Online and have earned a 3.5 GPA or higher their previous semester. Candidates must have a completed FAFSA application, but are not required to be eligible for FAFSA awarded funding.

Omega Nu Lambda Honor Society Scholarship Fund

In recognition of your accomplishments as an online student, Omega Nu Lambda Honor Society provides members with an opportunity to apply for a scholarship in both fall and spring. Fall scholarships are announced in November and spring are announced in April.

EKU Foundation Scholarship

The Eastern Kentucky University Foundation, through the generosity of its donors, offers a variety of scholarship opportunities to deserving students. EKU Foundation scholarships are awarded through the University Scholarship Office and at college and department levels. New and renewable awards of [EKU Foundation scholarships](#) are subject to available funds each year.

MORE SCHOLARSHIP INFO

When will I start classes?

APPLICATION DEADLINES

TERM	APPLY BY	BEGIN CLASSES
Fall A	July 5	August
Fall B	August 31	October
Spring A	November 30	January
Spring B	January 31	March
Summer A	April 5	May
Summer B	May 31	June

What do I need to apply?

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

First-Time Freshman

- Standard Admission:
high school cumulative GPA (unweighted): 2.50 or higher
- Success First Admission:
high school cumulative GPA (unweighted): 2.00-2.49
- minimum high school GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale

While test scores are not required for admissions purposes, students are encouraged to submit test scores for proper course placement in English and mathematics courses.

Transfer Students

- cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale
- in good academic and financial standing at previous institution
- Students who have earned 23 hours or fewer of college credits after high school graduation must also provide a final high school transcript and meet the requirements for incoming freshmen

ADMISSION INFORMATION

How do I apply?

APPLICATION PROCESS

First-time Freshman:

Step 1: Complete the free online application at:
https://application.eku.edu/portal/apply_eku

START MY APPLICATION

Step 2: Submit your high school transcripts to the Office of Admissions.

Step 3: Submit ACT or SAT scores (not required, but encouraged for determining appropriate course placement).

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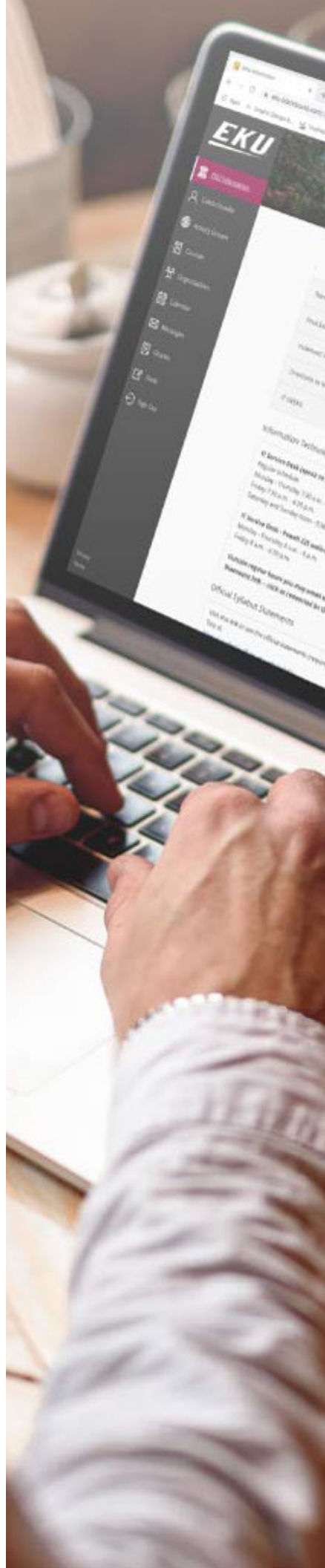
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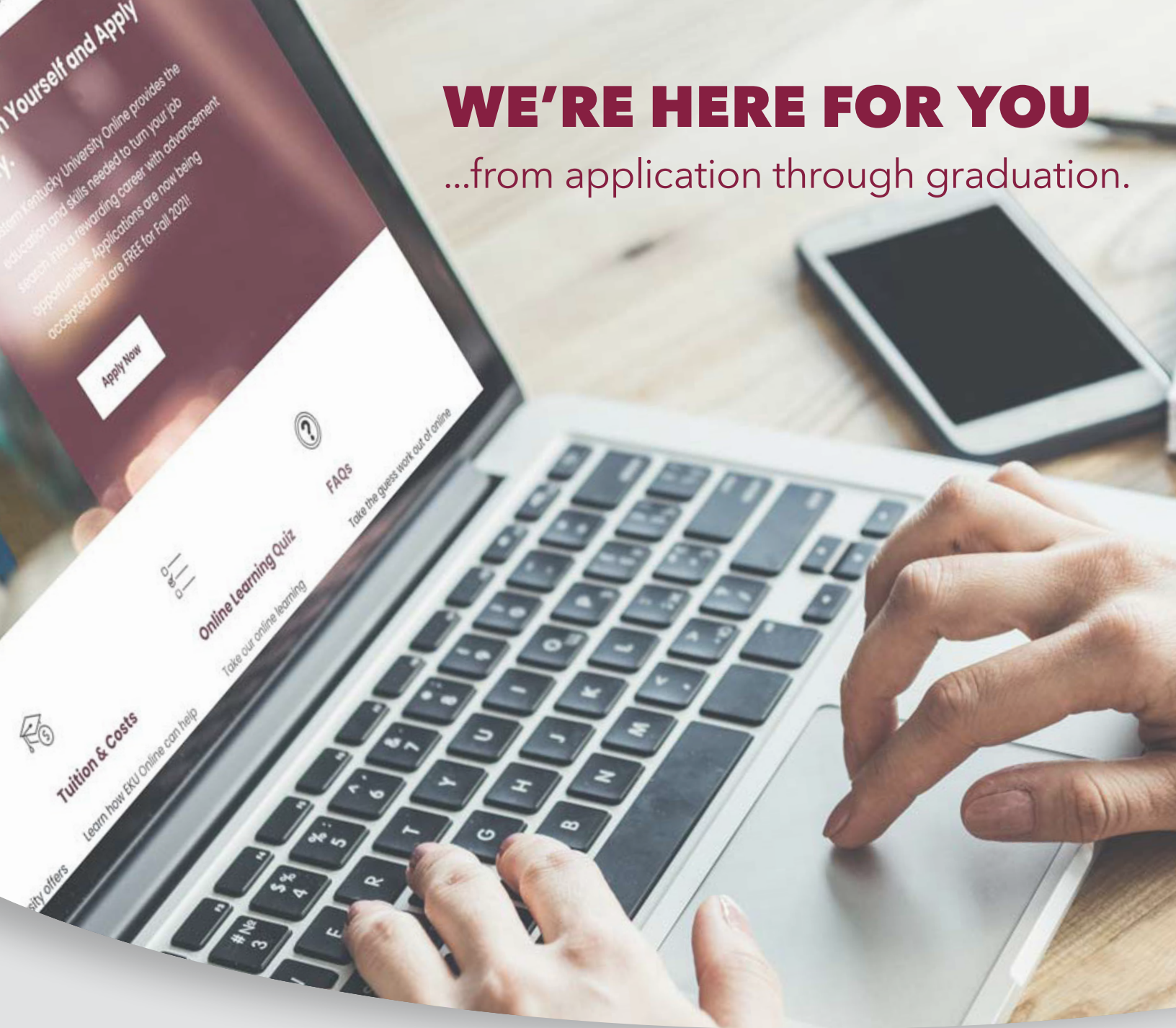
Step 2: Send us your high school transcript (if you have 23 or fewer credit hours).

Step 3: [Send us your official transcripts](#) from each accredited university you attended, including dual credit from high school.

What are you waiting for?

GET STARTED TODAY!





WE'RE HERE FOR YOU
...from application through graduation.



Lauren Seaman
Enrollment Advisor



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