Completing a degree as a transfer student or returning adult is an incredible journey that can be challenging, rewarding and life changing.

Eastern Kentucky University has established the Student Outreach and Transition Office (SOTO) as a resource center for adult and transfer students to offer guidance and support along the way.

SOTO provides individualized help with:
- Accessing campus support and services,
- Navigating policies and procedures,
- Maximizing credit for previous coursework,
- Developing academic and career plans.

soto.eku.edu

EKU is committed to student success---your success---and will empower you throughout your educational journey.
Eastern Kentucky University offers 108 rigorous undergraduate degree programs---many that are nationally recognized---with a variety of options. Choose from exciting majors such as applied engineering, aviation, fire and safety engineering technology, professional golf management, criminal justice, occupational safety, and psychology to name just a few.

The curriculum challenges students to think critically and creatively while developing effective communication skills. Courses are taught by distinguished faculty in modern classrooms, labs and facilities with an average class size of 25 students.

programs.eku.edu
Nearly 80% of EKU students receive some form of financial aid, which can include scholarships, grants, loans, federal work study, employer reimbursement and tax credits. The first step toward financial assistance is completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Go to [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov) to access the application, and be sure to add EKU’s Federal School Code 001963.

The EKU Transfer Scholarship is awarded to new first-time transfer students who (1) have completed a minimum of 24 hours of courses taken after high school graduation, and (2) are currently enrolled as full-time students working on their first bachelor’s degree while maintaining a 3.0 GPA. The awards are based on individual GPA and range from $250 per semester to $2,000 per semester.

Students are encouraged to apply early for priority scholarship consideration since limited transfer scholarships are available. Visit [scholarships.eku.edu/new-transfer-students](http://scholarships.eku.edu/new-transfer-students) for more information.
Today’s minimum educational requirements for employment or promotion in many jobs and career fields are open only to college graduates, even if the employees have acquired years of work experience.

Many returning students and transfer students who have earned an array of college credits can complete their education quickly with the Bachelor of General Studies degree. This highly flexible degree has become very attractive to returning adults, with some students continuing on to specialize at the master’s level.

soto.eku.edu/generalstudies
Balancing work and family commitments while earning a degree can be challenging. EKU offers flexible scheduling with day, evening and online classes. The Regional Campuses and the Higher Education Centers offer convenient access to Eastern Kentucky University close to home.

Corbin Regional Campus
606.528.0551
corbin.eku.edu

Danville Regional Campus
859.236.6866
danville.eku.edu

Manchester Regional Campus
606.598.8122
manchester.eku.edu

Somerset Regional Campus
859.622.5017
somerset.eku.edu

Fort Knox Higher Education Center
859.622.5011
fortknox.eku.edu

Hazard Higher Education Center
606.439.3544
hazard.eku.edu

Lancaster Higher Education Center
859.622.2903
lancaster.eku.edu
EUK is a vibrant community filled with life-enriching opportunities. Students and their families are encouraged to actively engage in campus life by attending Homecoming, Family Weekend, movies, art exhibits, lectures and stellar performances from national and international artists at the EKU Center for the Arts, Central Kentucky’s premier arts and entertainment venue.

There are more than 300 registered student organizations including pre-professional groups, a specific organization for Older Wiser Learners (OWLs), special interest groups, and religious organizations.

The Alpha Sigma Lambda National Honor Society recognizes nontraditional students, and the Tau Sigma Honor Society is open to transfer students who compete their first semester with a 3.5 or higher GPA.

Students can stay fit and have fun in EKU's 10,000 square foot Fitness & Wellness Center, which provides weight and cardio rooms, a climbing wall, group fitness classes, an indoor track, basketball courts and much more!

studentlife.eku.edu

campusrec.eku.edu
Your Resources

One-on-one or small group tutoring is available, and the Common Knowledge GURUS, a group of successful upperclassmen, are available to help with homework and to answer most any question students may have.

it.eku.edu/gurus

Information Technology provides computer laboratories on all campuses, and the IT Help Desk provides support and computer basics assistance. Email and backup services are provided at no additional cost to students.

it.eku.edu

The award-winning Noel Studio for Academic Creativity, located within the main library on the campus of EKU, accommodates multiple learning styles and offers the latest in technology.

studio.eku.edu

Outpatient clinical services and minor emergency care are available through Student Health Services and the Office of Services for Individuals with Disabilities works with students to provide equal access to University resources, coursework, programs and activities by serving qualifying individuals. Veterans will find a welcoming and supportive environment through EKU’s Office of Military and Veteran Affairs.

healthservices.eku.edu

va.eku.edu
Gain valuable work experience that is related to specific majors through the Cooperative Education and Internship Program. EKU's Co-op Program is the first and only program accredited in the Commonwealth of Kentucky by the Accreditation Council for Cooperative Education. In many instances students are also paid while simultaneously earning academic credit. Nearly 50% of EKU students are offered positions with their co-op or internship employers.

coop.eku.edu

EKU Career Services provides a variety of services to assist students with career decisions and job searches. The professionals in Career Services help with: career exploration, resume and letter writing, interview skills, and evaluation of individual career goals and graduate school options for fields that require advanced degrees.

career.eku.edu
1. Complete the online application for admission at admissions.eku.edu/apply.

2. Submit separately an official signed and sealed transcript from each institution of higher education attended. Official transcripts must be either mailed or electronically forwarded from each previously attended institution directly to EKU Office of Admissions, 521 Lancaster Avenue, SSB 112 CPO 54, Richmond, KY 40475.

3. Submit an official high school transcript or GED scores along with official ACT/SAT scores if fewer than 24 college credit hours have been earned.

4. Pay the application fee.

5. Review the degree plan information in the EKU Undergraduate Catalog catalogs.eku.edu, and also refer to the EKU Transfer Course Equivalency Lookup Web page at soto.eku.edu/transferstudents/course-equivalency.

6. Schedule a time to meet with an academic advisor within the academic program of choice, request a DegreeWorks report, and select courses. Registration is completed via EKUDirect, the University’s Web-based student registration system.

7. Apply for financial aid by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at fafsa.ed.gov. The federal school code for EKU is 001963.
When are the admission deadline dates?
- Fall: August 1
- Spring: December 1
- Summer: April 1

When are the FAFSA application deadlines?
- Federal aid: online applications must be submitted by midnight June 30. Any corrections must be submitted by midnight September 15.
- Kentucky aid: submit as soon as possible after January 1. Awards are made until funds are depleted.

Am I too old to return to school?
EKU is a welcoming and inclusive environment, and students who attend Eastern Kentucky University are diverse and multi-generational. Adults who return to the classroom generally are committed to attending classes to learn as much as possible enabling them to achieve their educational and career goals.

What are the requirements for transferring to EKU?
A minimum GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale for all work attempted at regionally accredited institutions. Additionally, students should be eligible to return to each institution previously attended.

How do I reach the Student Outreach and Transition Office?
SOTO is located in the Student Success Building, Room 442, or contact the office at 859.622.7686 or ekusoto@eku.edu.
Drive and Park

• From Interstate 75, take Exit 87, the Eastern Bypass. Travel east about 1 mile to the Lancaster Avenue intersection (traffic light #5), and turn LEFT onto Lancaster Avenue.

• Take the second RIGHT onto Park Drive. The Student Success Building (SSB) is directly ahead to the right. SOTO, admissions, registration, financial aid, advising and housing are all located within the SSB.

• Guests who have pre-scheduled a visit through SOTO will receive a campus parking permit in the mail. Guests who arrive without pre-registering may obtain a parking permit from EKU Parking Services in Mattox Hall located on the right side of the SSB.

Make plans now for a guided campus tour led by a current EKU student. Register at soto.eku.edu/visitation or call 859.622.7686. Take this opportunity to meet with an advisor and learn more about admissions criteria, financial aid, scholarships, housing and much more. A virtual tour is also available at soto.eku.edu/virtualtour.