

# GEORGIAN COURT UNIVERSITY THE MERCY UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY

### **Bachelor of Arts in English**

(Offered by Georgian Court University at Lincroft) revised Oct 15, 2024
For students taking their first GCU course fall 2025 and later.
2+2 traditional transfer (2 years BCC, 2 years GCU)

#### **English Admission Requirements:**

- -Completion of a Humanities English Option A.A. degree is preferred.
- -Completion of:
  - ENGL121 and 122
  - ENGL231, 232, 235, 236, 245 or 246
  - The following courses must eventually be completed and if they have not been completed by the time of admission, students may not be able to graduate on schedule: Three from among the following: ENGL155 (Short Story), ENGL156 (Intro to Poetry), ENGL158 (Intro to Lit), ENGL168 (Contemporary Plays), ENGL175 (Woman as Author), ENGL206 (Approaches to Literary Studies), ENGL221 (Creative Writing), ENGL231 (British Lit I), ENGL232 (British Lit II), ENGL235 (World Lit I), ENGL236 (World Lit II), ENGL245 (American Lit I), ENGL246 (American Lit II), ENGL265 (Children's Lit), ENGL266 (Young Adult Lit). One of the four may be from among ENGL223 (Poetry Writing Wkshp), ENGL224 (Fiction Writing Wkshp), ENGL225 (Technical Writing), or ENGL227 (Creative Non-Fiction Wkshp).
- -2.00 minimum cumulative GPA (from all previous colleges attended).
- -Note: Issues in Women's Studies (HUMN129) and Introduction to Ethics (PHIL227) must eventually be taken, unless students plan to take the GCU equivalents through GCU Lakewood (face-to-face, or online if offered).
- \*Important Notes:
- \* Students enrolled as GCU students who have Brookdale courses left in their program will need to pay Brookdale directly for the courses unless students take the courses through the GCU@ Brookdale Course Exchange Consortium Agreement. Financial aid will be awarded and paid to students for GCU courses only unless students take Brookdale courses through the GCU@Brookdale Course Exchange Consortium Agreement.

#### **Dual Admission**

Brookdale Community College and Georgian Court University have partnered together to offer Dual Admissions for BCC students. Dual Admissions allows a BCC student to apply and be admitted to GCU as early as their first semester at BCC. You must apply prior to your last semester at Brookdale. For a full description, please reference the Dual Admissions brochure located at <a href="https://www.brookdalecc.edu/transfer-resources/info-georgian-court/">https://www.brookdalecc.edu/transfer-resources/info-georgian-court/</a>. Apply for BCC-GCU dual admission online (<a href="https://www.brookdalecc.edu/transfer-resources/dual-admissions-programs/">https://www.brookdalecc.edu/transfer-resources/dual-admissions-programs/</a>).

Highlights of this agreement include:

- 1. Application fee to GCU is waived
- 2. Guaranteed admission to GCU provided you meet all entrance requirements

- 3. Your classes at Brookdale will satisfy GCU general education and other bachelor's degree course requirements as outlined in the Dual Admissions Agreement
- 4. Meetings with Georgian Court University faculty and advisors early and often to ensure a seamless transition and transfer of credits
- 5. Graduation requirements will not change based on the academic year you are accepted for dual admissions (certain restrictions apply)
- 6. Your BCC transcripts are automatically sent to GCU from Brookdale, at no charge

#### How do I learn more?

Please call GCU Admissions at 732-987-2700 for more information. Information Sessions about the Georgian Court Lincroft Program will be offered periodically by a Georgian Court Admission Counselor. During the Information Sessions, students will have the opportunity to learn about admission requirements, program overview, benefits of Dual-Admission, and smooth transfer.

## Next Steps to Apply to this GCU Lincroft Bachelor's Degree Program (all students, including dual admission students, should follow these steps):

- 1. Apply to GCU online (<u>www.georgian.edu/brookdale</u>) or by submitting a paper application available at the Lincroft Campus
- 2. Submit your official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended (note: for dual admit students, Brookdale transcripts are sent automatically to GCU by Brookdale). If you plan to be an Education Major at GCU, you must also submit Praxis Core, SAT, ACT, or GRE scores, Praxis II Multiple Subjects Exam for Elementary Educators scores, and two completed Teacher Education Recommendation Forms (www.georgian.edu/admissions/transfer) to GCU. See admissions office for details.
- Accepted students will receive notification within 72 hours of receiving the application and all supplemental documents. A Preliminary Transfer Credit Evaluation will be completed by GCU and sent to you.
- 4. Confirm your enrollment by submitting your enrollment deposit of \$250 during your last semester at BCC.
- 5. Submit your FAFSA. The GCU School Code is 002608.
- 6. Attend a Registration Night during your last semester at BCC to meet with a Faculty Academic Advisor to review your Progress Chart and discuss course selection. You will sign up for GCU classes at this event.

#### Structure of GCU English Part of Program:

The English major requires 33-36 credit hours of English courses, of which 21 credits are taken in seven three-credit courses as follows: 1) EN300 An Introduction to Literary Study (a foundational course focusing on research in English and basic literary theory), 2) upper-level Period Courses in Literature, one in each of four areas: British Literature before the Nineteenth Century, British Literature from the Nineteenth Century to the Present, American Literature, and Multi-ethnic Literature, 3) EN429 and 430, which are capstone seminar courses that provide an overview of all literature written in English and discussion of specific works not covered in other courses, with a second-semester concentration on twentieth-century Britain.

- -Twelve credits are English electives. All English electives may be taken at Brookdale Community College.
- For students who complete the 175 hours of clinical practice requirement for NJ teacher certification, the major requirements are 33 semester hours of English. For students who do not complete the 175 hours of clinical practice required for NJ teacher certification, the major requirements are 33 semester hours of English as detailed above, plus one of the following three options, which adds 0-3 credits to the major, bringing the total to 33-36 semester hours of English: 1) an internship, either credit-bearing or non-credit-bearing (0-3 credits); 2) a 1-credit practicum (EN299 Practicum); or 3) a 1-3-credit independent project (EN421 Independent Project). The internship option may be satisfied by EN405 Internship (3 credits), CAR465 NonCredit Internship (0 credits) or by an internship arranged through the Office of Career Services or completed for another major or program.
- In addition to the 33-36 credits of required courses, students take Brookdale's ENGL121 and 122 (English Composition I and II).

English majors develop skills that businesses, other employers, and graduate schools want: the ability to write and speak well, to read and interpret complex material, and to explain difficult concepts in comprehensible terms. They begin to apply and test those skills through internships and in collaborative research with faculty members. Graduates have followed diverse career paths to become lawyers, technology specialists, account supervisors, journalists, librarians, teachers, college professors, educational administrators, and more.

#### Structure of Rest of the GCU Part of the Program:

Graduates of an accredited New Jersey community college who have earned an associate degree with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 and have completed the general education requirements established in the statewide agreement will transfer those general education credits in full to satisfy a minimum of 45 (A.A.), 30 (A.S.), or 20 (other associate degree) credits of the Georgian Court General Education Requirements. Only courses in which a grade of "C" or higher has been achieved are eligible for transfer. Courses transferred as part of the community college's general education program that have Georgian Court University general education equivalents will be transferred as those equivalent courses. Other general education courses required by the community college will be transferred as general education electives. If an equivalency is not transferred, all four of the following general education requirements must be fulfilled: a designated Religious Studies course, a designated Women and Gender Studies course (BCC's HUMN129 fulfills the requirement), a designated Ethics course (BCC's PHIL227 fulfills the requirement), and the Capstone course (GEN400). The GCU Experiential Learning requirement must be fulfilled as follows: 1) GEN400, which includes a service learning project completed, and 2) a service learning project completed in a course other than GEN101 or GEN400, an internship/practicum/field placement/research, or an approved education abroad experience.

#### Tuition:

\$605/credit for 2024-2025. No general fees are charged.

#### Degree FAQ:

#### How many credits can I transfer to this program?

Georgian Court University will accept all Brookdale courses listed as requirements on the Lincroft English degree plan plus Brookdale requirements that are not part of the degree plan [e.g., Oral Communications course]. Remaining required course work must be completed through Georgian Court. Georgian Court will accept up to 75 credits from Brookdale or other community colleges. Up to 15 additional credits will be accepted from 4-year institutions. At least 30 credits must be earned at Georgian Court, including at least 21 credits in the English major.

#### How many credits are required?

Students must earn a minimum of 120 credits to meet requirements for the BA in English.

#### Can I attend courses at the Lakewood campus as well?

Yes, if the courses are approved by your advisor. Some restrictions apply. Please consult the policy entitled "Students taking courses at an enrollment location other than their own" in the GCU catalog at <a href="http://georgian.edu/publications/">http://georgian.edu/publications/</a>.

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Georgian Court University and Brookdale Community College: Lincroft B.A. English (without Education) (subject to change)

Course offerings for students enrolling at GCU's Lincroft program in fall 2025 (Table A)

Traditional (2 years BCC, 2 years GCU) transfer students: The sequence in Table A is one possible way a 2+2 student could complete the program. Students may take some liberal arts major and Gen Ed courses out of sequence if prerequisites have been met (in other words, some courses shown for year 2 may be taken in year 1).

Table A. Possible 2+2 Program

	Fall 25	Spr 26	Sum 26	Fall 26	Spr 27
2+2	^EN300	^AmLit or Multi-ethnic		^AmLit or Multi-	^EN430
		Lit		ethnic Lit	^Brit Lit Early
				^EN429	^GEN400
	#Enrolled as a GCU			^ReligStudies	#Elective
	student	#Enrolled as a GCU		^British Lit Late	#Elective
		student		#Elective	
					#Enrolled as a
				#Enrolled as a	GCU student
				GCU student	

^ Required course. All other courses listed are recommended but not required but see note below. British Lit and American Lit are 300/400 level specialized courses, not equivalent to BCC's ENGL231,232,245,246. Please note that student's financial aid status may be adversely affected by not taking a full-time (or part-time, depending on type of aid) load of GCU credits.

# In order to be a full-time student for financial aid purposes when enrolled as a GCU student in a GCU Lincroft program, undergraduate students will need to be enrolled in at least 12 GCU credits. Students who have completed appropriate course prerequisites may choose to take courses offered at Lincroft in a different GCU program. Otherwise, students may take GCU online or Lakewood courses at the Lincroft tuition rate. If enrolled as a GCU student, students who have Brookdale courses left in their program will need to pay Brookdale directly for the courses unless students take the courses through the GCU@Brookdale Course Exchange Consortium Agreement. If enrolled as a GCU student, financial aid will be awarded and paid to students for GCU courses only, unless students take Brookdale courses through the GCU@Brookdale Course Exchange Consortium Agreement. See separate Course Exchange Consortium Agreement documents for more information. Questions about financial aid should be referred to the GCU financial aid office (732.987.2258 – please identify yourself as a Lincroft student).

\*\*\*Students who do not take BCC's PHIL227 may take a GCU Ethics course online to fulfill GCU's Ethics Requirement

#### All courses are 3 credits unless otherwise indicated

EN300: Gateways to Literary Study	EN429: Bookends: A Global Literature Seminar	
British Lit Before 19th Cent.: one of 8 300-	EN430: Senior Seminar II	
level courses		
British Lit 19 <sup>th</sup> Cent. To Present: one of 4 300-level courses	ReligStudies: RS208 Discovering the Bible, RS213 Women & the Bible, RS220 Christian Trad., or RS260 Christianity in Dialogue	
Multi-ethnic Lit: one of 4 courses	Ethics: BU319 Bus& Prof Ethics, PL300 Phil Ethics, PL354	
	Bioethics, RS334 Theol Ethics, or RS336 Soc Just Ethics	
American Lit: one of 6 300-level courses	GEN400: Visioning a Future	

#### Advising notes for students:

- 1. Students do not have to have taken all transferable credits prior to entry into the bachelor's degree program. HOWEVER, all requirements listed in this handout and the GCU catalog MUST eventually be completed (please note in particular the required Brookdale English and gen ed courses, and GCU requirements for experiential learning). Students must earn at least 30 credits from GCU to graduate, even if the program of courses offered face-to-face at Lincroft does not total 30 credits. The student's GCU Registrar-issued Progress Chart shows which requirements have or have not been completed.
- 2. The 2+2 program is designed for students taking a mostly part-time schedule of GCU courses through GCU Lincroft, but students may enroll full-time by taking GCU Lakewood online or face-to-face courses, or Brookdale courses through the Course Exchange Consortium Agreement. Students not following the published cohort schedule in its entirety should realize that they may experience some course conflicts. GCU is not responsible for resolving such conflicts.
- 3. Questions about GCU financial aid should be referred to the GCU financial aid office (732.987.2258 please identify yourself as a Lincroft student).

- 4. Some courses may be offered in online mode only. GCU attempts to offer courses on no more than two days per week but cannot guarantee that the courses will be offered on only two days per week or that the days per week will not change from semester to semester.
- 5. Students should have completed ENGL121 and 122 prior to enrolling in any GCU English course.
- 6. Students must complete ENGL231, 232, 235, 236, 245 or 246 prior to enrolling in any GCU English course.
- 7. Senior status within the English major is required before enrolling in EN429 and EN430.
- 8. Lincroft students must earn at least 48 GCU credits graded A-F to be eligible for degree honors.