



# GEORGIAN COURT UNIVERSITY

## THE MERCY UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY

### **Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies (with a concentration in Business) (BU concentration courses offered online only)**

**(Offered by Georgian Court University at Lincroft) revised Oct. 13, 2024**  
**2+2 traditional transfer (2 years BCC, 2 years GCU)**

#### **Interdisciplinary Studies (with a concentration in Business) Admission Requirements:**

- Completion of an A.A./A.S. Business Administration degree is preferred.
- The following Brookdale courses or their equivalent must be completed prior to enrolling in any Georgian Court business course at Lincroft:

<b>Georgian Court Requirement</b>	<b>Brookdale Equivalent</b>
AC171 Principles of Financial Accounting	ACCT101
AC172 Principles of Managerial Accounting	ACCT102
BU213 Management Theory & Organizational Behavior	BUSI205

- The following Brookdale courses or their equivalent should be completed prior to enrolling in any Georgian Court business course at Lincroft. Students who have not completed these courses prior to enrolling at GCU may not be able to graduate on schedule:

<b>Georgian Court Requirement</b>	<b>Brookdale Equivalent</b>
EC181 Principles of Macroeconomics	ECON105
EC182 Principles of Microeconomics	ECON106
BU121 Quantitative Business Concepts	MATH156
BU211 Business Law	BUSI221
BU221 Business Statistics & Probability	ECON225
MK241 Principles of Marketing	MRKT101

- 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).

**\* 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 <https://www.brookdalecc.edu/transfer-resources/info-georgian-court/>. Apply for BCC-GCU dual admission online (<https://www.brookdalecc.edu/transfer-resources/dual-admissions-programs/>).

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 ([www.georgian.edu/brookdale](http://www.georgian.edu/brookdale)) 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](http://www.georgian.edu/admissions/transfer)) to GCU. See admissions office for details.
3. 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 Interdisciplinary Studies (with a concentration in Business) Part of Program:**

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES (with a concentration in Business): The Interdisciplinary Studies (with a concentration in Business) major requires 30 credit hours as described below:

- 1) IDS201 Exploring Interdisciplinary Studies (a foundational course focusing on research);
- 2) 18 credits of courses at the 200+ level in Business, Accounting, Economics or Information Systems, all of which are offered by GCU at Lincroft and may be chosen from among IS224, BU242, BU335, IS320, BU411, and business electives. If taken at Brookdale, the courses may include BUSI221, BUSI205, ECON225, or MRKT101;
- 3) Six additional credits at 200+ level in Business, English\* (including the 300-level courses GCU offers at Lincroft), Integrative Health, Philosophy, Religious Studies, World Language, History or

American Studies which, if taken at Brookdale, can be any of the Business courses listed above, or ENGL155, 156, 158, 168, 175, 206, 221, 265, 266, 275, HIST 215, 217, 225, 227, 235, MUS116 (History of Jazz), POLI 105, or 115. The six credits must be for courses listed or accepted for transfer credit at the 200 level or higher;

4) IDS401 Interdisciplinary Seminar, which is a capstone seminar course.

-- \*In addition to the 30 credits of required courses for the major, students take Brookdale's ENGL121 and 122 (English Composition I and II). Students must take ENGL231, 232, 235, 236, 245 or 246 prior to enrolling in any GCU English course.

### **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 Interdisciplinary Studies (with a concentration in Business) 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 15 credits in the Interdisciplinary Studies major.

#### **How many credits are required?**

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

#### **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 <http://georgian.edu/publications/>.

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**Georgian Court University and Brookdale Community College: Lincroft  
B.A. Interdisciplinary Studies (Business concentration) - Subject to change**

**Business concentration courses are offered only online**

**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 B 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	Fall 26	Spr 27
2+2	^IDS201 or IS224  #Enrolled as a GCU student	^BU242 or Am or MultiEthnic Lit  #Enrolled as a GCU student	^6-9 GCU Business or English or other approved credits ^ReligStudies #Electives (3-6 cr)  #Enrolled as a GCU student	^IDS401 ^3-6 GCU Business or English or other approved credits ^GEN400 #Electives (3-6cr)  #Enrolled as a GCU student

^Required course

# 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. Take 18 credits in Business courses and 6 credits in Business, English or other area as listed on page 2. GCU English courses offered in Lincroft are included in the table below.

IDS201: Exploring Interdisciplinary Studies	ReligStudies: RS208 Discovering the Bible, RS213 Women & the Bible, RS220 Christian Trad., or RS260 Christianity in Dialogue
IS224: Intro to Business Analytics	BU335: Financial Management
IS320: Management Information Systems	BU411 Human Resource Management
BU242: Managerial Communication	Ethics: BU319 Bus& Prof Ethics, PL300 Phil Ethics, PL354 Bioethics, RS334 Theol Ethics, or RS336 Soc Just Ethics
EN300: Gateways to Literary Study	EN429: Bookends: A Global Literature Seminar
EN301 or 302: Shakespeare I, II	EN430: Senior Seminar II
British Lit: one of six 300-level courses	AngloSax/Medieval Lit: one of three 300-level courses
Multi-ethnic Lit: one of 4 courses	American Lit: one of five 300-level courses
IDS401: Seminar in Interdisciplinary Studies	GEN400: Visioning a Future

Advising notes for students:

1. Senior status within the Interdisciplinary Studies major is required before enrolling in IDS401.
2. Students must complete ENGL 231, 232, 235, 236, 245 or 246 prior to enrolling in any GCU English course.
3. Students should have completed ENGL121, 122 prior to enrolling in any GCU English course.
4. 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.
5. Questions about financial aid should be referred to the GCU financial aid office (732.987.2258 – please identify yourself as a Lincroft student).
6. All requirements listed in this handout and GCU catalog MUST eventually be completed (please note in particular Brookdale and GCU major 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 required courses offered at Lincroft does not total 30 credits. The student's GCU Registrar-issued Progress Chart shows which requirements have or have not been completed.

7. Some courses are offered in online mode only.
8. A minimum of 120 credits are required for graduation.
9. GCU Lincroft students must earn at least 48 GCU credits graded A-F to be eligible for degree honors.