



GEORGIAN COURT UNIVERSITY THE MERCY UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY

Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies (with a concentration in English)

(Offered by Georgian Court University at Lincroft) revised Mar. 19, 2023

For students ready to take their first GCU course fall 2023 and later.

3+1 (3 years BCC, 1 year GCU)

2+2 traditional transfer (2 years BCC, 2 years GCU)

Interdisciplinary Studies (with a concentration in 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

-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.**

Students enrolled in year 3 of a 3+1 program are Brookdale students and will be paying Brookdale tuition for GCU advisor-approved Brookdale and GCU courses taken in fall and spring of the year 3 curriculum. See GCU advisor for registration process.

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) 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.
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 English) Part of Program:

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES (with a concentration in English)*: The Interdisciplinary Studies (with a concentration in English) major requires 30 credit hours of English and Interdisciplinary Studies courses,

- 1) IDS201 Exploring Interdisciplinary Studies (a foundational course focusing on research),
- 2) 18 credits of English, of which nine are offered by GCU at Lincroft as 300 level or above courses in Literature. If taken at Brookdale, the remaining nine credits can be taken from among these Brookdale courses: 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), ENGL265 (Children's Lit), ENGL266 (Young Adult Lit), or ENGL275 (Shakespeare's Plays).
- 3) Six credits at 200+ level in Business, English, History, Integrative Health, Philosophy, World Language, Religious Studies, or American Studies which, if taken at Brookdale, can be any of the English courses listed above, or HIST 215, 217, 225, 227, 235, MUS116 (History of Jazz), POLI 105, or 115,
- 4) IDS401 Interdisciplinary Seminar, which is a capstone seminar course

-- *In addition to the 30 credits of required courses in the Interdisciplinary Studies major, students take Brookdale's ENGL121 and 122 (English Composition I and II) and either 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 2023-2024. 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 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 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 (English concen.) (subject to change)**

Course offerings for students enrolling at GCU’s Lincroft program in fall 2023 (Tables A, B)

3+1 (3 years BCC, 1 year GCU) students: Table A outlines years 3 and 4 of the 3+1 sequence in Lincroft.

Table A. 3+1 Program

	Fall 23	Spr 24	Sum 24	Fall 24	Spr 25
3+1	^IDS201 3+1 students take above course and at least 12 BCC credits (see separate program sequence)	^^AmLit or Multiethnic Lit 3+1 students take above course and at least 12 BCC credits (see separate		^^AmLit or Multiethnic Lit ^ReligStudies ^Brit Lit #Elective #Elective	^IDS401 ^^AngloSax/Med Lit ^GEN400 #Elective #Elective

document) Total: 15 cr Enrolled as a BCC student in a 3+1 program	program sequence document) Total: 15 cr Enrolled as a BCC student in a 3+1 program		#Enrolled as a GCU student Total: 15 cr	#Enrolled as a GCU student Total: 15 cr
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Traditional (2 years BCC, 2 years GCU) transfer students: Take the same GCU Lincroft courses as those offered as part of the 3+1 sequence, but are not limited to taking only one GCU course in the fall of the first year and one GCU course in the spring of the first year. 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 B. Possible 2+2 Program

	Fall 23	Spr 24	Sum 24	Fall 24	Spr 25
2+2	^IDS201 #Enrolled as a GCU student	^^AmLit or Multiethnic Lit #Enrolled as a GCU student		^^AmLit or Multiethnic Lit ^ReligStudies ^Brit Lit #Elective #Elective #Enrolled as a GCU student	^IDS401 ^^AngloSax/Med Lit ^GEN400 #Elective #Elective #Enrolled as a GCU student

^Required course.

^^Student selects at least 3 from among these courses. British Lit and American Lit are 300/400 level specialized courses, not equivalent to BCC's ENGL231,232,245,246.

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

IDS201: Exploring Interdisciplinary Studies	ReligStudies: RS208 Discovering the Bible, RS213 Women & the Bible, RS220 Christian Trad., or RS260 Christianity in Dialogue
British Lit: one of 6 300-level courses offered	Ethics: BU319 Bus& Prof Ethics, PL300 Phil Ethics, PL354 Bioethics, RS334 Theol Ethics, or RS336 Soc Just Ethics
Multi-ethnic Lit: one of 4 courses offered	GEN400: Visioning a Future
American Lit: one of 5 300-level courses offered	AngloSax/Medieval Lit: one of 3 300-level courses
IDS401: Seminar in Interdisciplinary Studies	

Advising notes for students:

1. Students must complete ENGL 231, 232, 235, 236, 245 or 246 prior to enrolling in any GCU English course.
2. Students should have completed ENGL121, 122 prior to enrolling in any GCU English course.
3. 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. The 3+1 program is designed for full-time

students. 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.

4. 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 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.
5. Questions about GCU financial aid should be referred to the GCU financial aid office (732.987.2258 – please identify yourself as a Lincroft student).
6. Some courses may be offered in online mode only. GCU cannot guarantee that courses will be offered on only two days per week or that the days per week will not change from semester to semester.
7. Senior status within the Interdisciplinary Studies major is required before enrolling in IDS401.
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.