General Advice for students accepted into any of the DDP programs at SUNY Cortland

Be sure to seek advice and help from those who can help you on campus. You can rely on us for accurate answers to your most important questions. For issues related to visas, admission, matriculation etc. contact the International Programs Office – Mary Schlarb, Gonda Gebhardt, or Hugh Anderson (E-mail: mary.schlarb@cortland.edu) For general registration issues, contact our Registrar (SUNYCortland.Registrar@cortland.edu). For other academic issues talk to your advisor, or your associate dean (email: jerome.ocallaghan@cortland.edu)

It is always important that your immigration papers be up to date and accurate. Likewise it is always important that you keep a full academic load each semester – a minimum of 12 credits each semester is required to be a full-time student. Finally it is very important that your academic performance is strong: a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required to be in “good academic standing.” Students who fall below that standard may be suspended or dismissed from SUNY Cortland.

Check you Cortland email account once a day. Many important announcements or inquiries will go to that address.

In many courses instructors use the Blackboard e-learning platform. Check into Blackboard each day to be sure you are in contact with your instructor.

MyRedDragon is the source of a lot of important information: your academic record (transcript), your CAPP (progress toward a degree), Residence Life policies, Student Accounts information, and campus announcements. Be sure to consult MyRedDragon regularly.

Your instructors expect you to attend every class and to be prepared in advance for each class. It is important that you not miss classes, that you show up on time, and that you contribute to in-class discussions. Each instructor has freedom to set policies in his/her syllabus. It is important that you understand those policies – if you have questions talk to your instructor during office hours.

SUNY Cortland’s policy on cheating is enforced regularly on campus. Copying the work of another, cheating on exams, academic dishonesty of any kind, all of these will be treated very seriously. Students may fail a course, or be dismissed from the College for violating this policy.

Some valuable web pages for you to visit:

International Programs Office (link)
MyRedDragon (link)
Schedule of Classes (link)
Residence Life (link)

Student Accounts (link)

College Catalog (link)