The following SUNY Cortland courses are recommended by the department to complete prior to transfer. The transfer credit limit from a 2-year college is 64 credits. All classes are three (3) credits unless otherwise noted. SUNY Transfer Path courses are underlined and notated in blue. Transfer students who have completed SUNY General Education prior to attending SUNY Cortland will have met their General Education requirements at SUNY Cortland.

**SUNY General Education/ Cortland Degree Requirements (30 credits)**

- Communication 1 (GEC1)*
  - CPN 100 Writing Studies I
- Communication 2 (GEC2)*
  - CPN 101 Writing Studies II
- Communication – Presentation (GECP)*
- Diversity: Equity, Inclusion & Social Justice (GEDI)*
- Humanities (GEHU)
- Social Sciences (GESS)
- The Arts (GEAR)
- US History & Civic Engagement (GEUS)
- World History & Global Awareness (GEWH)
- World Languages (GEWL)**

*Indicates required SUNY General Education Category

**A foreign language course at the beginning level I (101) is required for this major. Sign language is NOT acceptable as a foreign language for this major. Students have the option of pursuing a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Science (BS) in Geology. The BA requires additional foreign language.**

**Major Requirements (30 credits):**

- GLY 261 Physical Geology (4 cr) (will also fulfill GE Natural Sciences*)
- GLY 262 Historical Geology (4 cr)
- CHE 227 and 277 General Chemistry I with lab (4 cr)
- CHE 228 and 278 General Chemistry II with lab (4 cr)
- MAT 221 Calculus A (will also fulfill GE Mathematics*)
- MAT 222 Calculus B OR MAT 201 Statistical Methods
- Physics or Biology sequence (8 cr): choose
  - PHY 105 Elementary Mechanics and Heat (4 cr) AND
  - PHY 106 Elementary Electricity, Light and Sound (4 cr)
  OR
  - BIO 201 Biological Sciences I (4 cr) AND
  - BIO 202 Biological Sciences II (4 cr)

**Electives (4 credits)**

Total: 64
Geology
School of Arts and Sciences

The program requirements pertain to the Undergraduate Catalog and are intended as a guide for academic planning. Students currently on SUNY campuses should consult their academic advisor for additional choices in general education categories when any course is recommended.

➢ To view all required courses for the program and Cortland’s General Education courses, see the most current undergraduate Catalog.
➢ Use the transfer equivalency tables to choose equivalents at your transfer college.
➢ If you plan to transfer before you complete your associate’s degree, you can still earn your degree via Reverse Transfer.

About Geology
Geologists find the natural resources we need and protect the environment on which we depend. As a geology major, you’ll learn about the natural workings of our home planet and develop an appreciation for its rich geological history. Prepare yourself for entry into a geoscience career or graduate school, and come discover the Earth at SUNY Cortland.

Career Potential
➢ Licensed professional geologist
➢ Environmental or exploration geoscientist
➢ Research or academic scientist

What Will I Learn?
➢ Study the composition, structure, processes and history of Earth
➢ Fieldwork and hands-on learning are infused throughout the program
➢ Learn research skills for modern geology
➢ Develop writing and presentation skills for professional development
➢ Take course work in related math and sciences

Applying to Cortland
➢ SUNY Cortland accepts the Common Application and the SUNY Online application. Choose just one way to apply; both require a $50 non-refundable application fee.
➢ If you apply to Cortland using the SUNY application, SUNY will waive the $50 application fee for transfer students graduating with an associate degree from a SUNY or CUNY college, who apply directly to Cortland for baccalaureate programs.
➢ Fall applicants should apply by March 1. Spring applications should apply by November 1
➢ After applying, students must send transcripts from all colleges attended and a high school transcript.