

## Transfer Planning Sheet Communication Studies (COM)

The following 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.

SUNY General Education/Cortland Degree Requirements (33-34 credits):

1. Any GE 1 Quantitative Skills
2. Any GE 2 Natural Science (3-4 cr)
3. GE 4 U.S. History & Society: HIS 200 The United States to 1877, **OR**  
HIS 201 The United States since 1877
4. Any GE 6 Other World Civilizations/Contrasting Cultures
5. Any GE 8 The Arts
6. Any GE 9: Foreign Language\*\*
7. CPN 100 Writing Studies I
8. CPN 101 Writing Studies II

Course I will complete at my current college:

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Major Requirements (12 credits):

1. COM 100 Human Communication (will also fulfill GE 7 Humanities)
2. COM 200 Communication History
3. COM 210 Fundamentals of Public Speaking
4. COM 301 Mass Media and Society (will also fulfill GE 3 Social Sciences)

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Electives (18-19 credits)

Total: 64

\*\*A foreign language course at the intermediate level II (202) is required for this major. Sign language is acceptable as foreign language for this major.

## Communication Studies

### 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](#).
- **Students can choose to add a concentration to this program.** You can choose from Journalism; Media Production; or Public Relations and Advertising.
- 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 Communication Studies

Hone your critical thinking and creative problem-solving skills. Core courses will provide you with a strong foundation in all aspects of human communication. Design a program of study that meets your personal learning objectives and career goals when you choose elective courses within the major.

## Career Potential

- Advertising
- Business
- Government
- Journalism
- Media production
- Public relations

## What Will I Learn?

When you choose communication studies, you will:

- have a greater understanding of the role that communication plays in shaping culture and identity.
- look at the ways in which the process of meaning-making — whether through the use of words, images, symbols or technology — is used strategically to influence human judgment and actions.
- sharpen your critical thinking abilities, allowing you to become an ethical producer and consumer of messages.

## 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.