

## Transfer Planning Sheet Public Administration and Public Policy (PADP)

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 (24-25 credits):

1. Any GE 2 Natural Science
2. GE 4 U.S. History and Society:  
POL 100 Intro to American Government and Politics **OR**

Course I will complete at my current college:

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Students with an 84 or lower on the New York State U.S. History Regents exam (and out of state students) should choose:

HIS 200 The United States to 1877 **OR** HIS 201 The United States since 1877

3. Any GE 6 Contrasting Cultures/Other World Civilization
4. Any GE 7 Humanities course  
Recommended: POL 102 Foundations of Democracy
5. Any GE 8 The Arts
6. Any GE 9 Foreign Language\*\*
7. CPN 100 Writing Studies I
8. CPN 101 Writing Studies II

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Major Requirements (18 credits):

1. POL 100 Intro to American Government and Politics  
(will also fulfill GE 3 Social Sciences and GE 4 U.S. History and Society, see above)
2. POL 240 Intro to Public Administration and Public Policy
3. POL 270 Introduction to Political Theory
4. Political Science elective  
One option includes:  
POL 326 State and Local Government
5. Cognate Courses (6 cr)  
Depending on chosen focus; See Catalog for options

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Electives (21-22 credits)

Total: 64

\*\*A foreign language course at the beginning level I (101) is required for this major. Sign language is acceptable as a foreign language for this major.

## Public Administration and Public Policy

### 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 Public Administration and Public Policy

Who doesn't love a little challenge? Make problem solving your specialty by learning to grapple with some of society's most urgent issues such as crime, health care and the quality of the air we breathe. With our distinguished staff and awesome student clubs, you will be able to learn various methods for studying proposed solutions to public problems as well as studying how administrators enact policy at the local, state, and federal levels.

### Career Potential

- Press secretary
- Lobbyist
- Government official
- Policy researcher

### What Will I Learn?

- Engage in a core curriculum covering the basics of U.S. and world politics, research techniques and political theory.
- Explore the different fields of political science through upper-division course work.
- Complete a capstone course either through a seminar or internship experience.

### 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.