If you bring pieces that mix and match, you will have more variety, account for seasonal weather, and have enough clothing to last the whole mission.

8 tops + 8 bottoms = 64 outfits

64 outfits + 5 jackets or cardis = 320 outfits

320 outfits + 2 scarves/belts = 640 outfits

3 dresses + 5 jackets or cardis = 15 outfits

add 2 scarves/belts to your dresses = 30 outfits

Basically, you could potentially have 685 Unique Outfits without repeating.

An 18 month mission is only about 547 days...