Notes for interpreting the plans of study:

1) These plans of study are designed to show how a chemistry or biochemistry major (often with a minor or second major) can be achieved in 8 typical semesters with no transfer/AP credits or summer/winter courses. To achieve 128 hours (required by WKU for graduation), an average of 16 hours per semester is required. Transfer credits, summer/winter courses, etc. will effectively reduce the load in appropriate semesters.

2) These plans assume that students will place into CHEM 120, MATH 126 (calculus), and the second semester of a foreign language. If any of these are not true, the necessary courses will replace electives from the plan of study (some shuffling of courses will likely be required).

3) Courses in bold are generally required by the plan of study. Normal type indicates courses that could be used, but these are often substituted by other equivalent courses in an actual degree program.

4) The ordering of certain courses is important, although some shuffling is possible, especially with respect to general education and elective courses.

5) WKU requires 42 hours of upper-division courses for graduation. While many of these plans of study automatically accomplish this, it is important to note that some electives or general education courses may need to be at the 300 level or above.

6) While these plans of study are kept as accurate and up-to-date as possible, they are not designed to substitute for advising or the filing of a degree program.