## THE CARDINAL PLAN FOR: BIOCHEMISTRY

	FIRST YEAR	SECOND YEAR	THIRD YEAR	FOURTH YEAR	SV SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY
COURSEWORK	Build your foundation: Take Chem 111, Chem 112, Biol 181 and Biol 182  Explore your course path: Meet with your chemistry advisor in February to plan classes	Take Organic Chemistry (Chem 230/231 and 331/331), and Genetics (Biol 260).  Make progress with math and physics and meet with your chemistry advisor	Take upper division courses in Chemistry and Biology Continue general education classes	Complete course electives in your major  Finish general education classes and complete your credits	A plan for a successful college experience.
GLOBAL VIEWS	Experience other cultures and go to the International Food Fair in October Attend International Student Night in January	Attend the Study Abroad Fair and consider the options and opportunities for learning more about other cultures	Grow your network and join the American Chemical Society as a student member	Present your research at a national conference	What can you do with a biochemistry degree?  There are many opportunities for moving forward. You may choose to attend graduate school in biochemistry, chemistry or one of various health professions.  If you consider starting your career after graduation, there are many positions in pharmaceutical research, forensic science, and other fields available to those newly awarded a B.S. in Biochemistry.  Our department is certified by the American Chemical Society. For more information on training and careers, visit acs.org.
COMMUNITY	Research available jobs And Co-op opportunities through Career Services	Make a difference and participate in volunteer activities with the Chemistry Club	Present your research at a local ACS meeting or a campus symposium	Volunteer to share what you've learned in at area k-12 schools	
CAMPUS ENGAGEMENT	Meet your classmates  Get involved with the Chemistry Club	Develop critical thinking and talk to professors about independent research projects	Continue to conduct research and interact with the Chemistry Club	Seek leadership positions in your groups and strengthen your skill sets	
CAREER PREPARATION	Explore your options with your chemistry advisor, pre-health advisor, and other students	Apply for Undergraduate Research Program (UGRP) funding	Look into graduate or professional school application requirements and deadlines — If applying, take the GRE, MCAT or other relevant entrance exam	Ask for recommendation letters and references to add to your resume  Complete graduate or professional school applications	