

## OSU's Office of Environmental Health & Safety (EHS)

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OSU's Office of Environmental Health & Safety (EHS) has advised that all Ohio State employees are required to complete training on the subjects of "Hazard Communication" and "Globally Harmonized System (GHS) Classification and Labeling of Chemicals." This training is mandatory, even for personnel who do not work in a laboratory or handle hazardous materials. These trainings are being required in order to comply with the state Public Employment Risk Reduction Program (PERRP) and the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazard Communication Program or "Employee Right-to-Know" act.

Both of these mandatory trainings can be done online and will not take very long to complete. The reason OSU's Office of Environmental Health and Safety is asking this be done online, is to be efficient in documenting those who have participated. I encourage all faculty and staff to complete the trainings. I understand we all have challenging workloads; however, this training is required by both state and federal agencies and it must be completed.

In addition, to the "HazCom Training" be advised that additional training is now required to be completed on the "Globally Harmonized System (GHS) Classification and Labeling of Chemicals." In an effort to facilitate this training taking place, the OSU Office of Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) has a new online training for GHS Classification and Labeling of Chemicals. This training provides GHS background information, an overview of OSHA's training requirements, new label elements, new hazard pictograms, signal words, hazard statements, and a Safety Data Sheet (SDS) format. This is a one-time training.

To complete the training:

1. Click on this link - <http://www.ehs.osu.edu/Training/ohst.aspx>
2. Find the word "Links" on the right side of the web page and then click on "EHS on-line" located under it.
3. Sign in using your osu.edu e-mail address. Once you have signed in, a new web page should pop up.
4. Click on "EHS On-line Training."
5. You will see a Program Listing bar with a drop-down menu labeled "Area" under it.

6. Click on the “Area” drop down menu (under the “Program Listing” bar), and choose the “Occupational Health and Safety” tab. Another drop down menu labeled “Program” will appear next to the one labeled “Area”.
7. Click on the “Program” drop down menu (also under the Program Listing bar) and choose “Hazard Communication (CFR1910.1200)” tab.
8. Click on “Begin Training Program” in the lower left part of the box to start the training.

Remember that the “GHS Classifying and Labeling of Chemicals” training is in addition to the “Hazard Communication (HazCom)” training that you should have already completed. This can be accessed in the same “Program” drop down menu (also under the Program Listing bar) and choose “Hazard Communication (CFR1910.1200)” tab.

If you need more general information about the Hazard Communication Standard, it can be found on the OSHA website at <https://www.osha.gov/dsg/hazcom/hazcom-faq.html>.

Complete this training at your earliest convenience. I am also working with OSU EHS to set up a training session later this winter for those who have trouble doing it on-line. I will let you know when that training session will be available. If you have any questions regarding the online training please contact me at [mcguire.225@osu.edu](mailto:mcguire.225@osu.edu) or 292-0588. You may also contact the OSU Environmental Health and Safety Office online at <http://ehs.osu.edu/OccHealthSafety/default.aspx> or by phone at (614) 292-1284.