

EHS Fact Sheet

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- All OSU employees, including student employees, receive safety training at least four times a year.
- Anybody receiving a paycheck through OSU falls under this requirement.
- One exception to this rule would be contractors who are paid for services through payroll for short-term projects.



The State Law

- The Oklahoma State Legislature passed House Bill 1447 which revised state law (40 O.S., Section 403).
- Every employer having twenty-five (25) or more full-time or part-time employees must comply.
- The employer must provide safety classes to each type or class of employee no less than quarterly.
- Documentation of training shall include, but not be limited to, date(s), location, course information, course provider/trainer and a list of employees in attendance.
- Quarterly safety training must be "appropriate to the nature and severity of the hazards faced by the employee".

Goals/Objectives of Training

- Reduce worker's compensation claims costs by educating employees in safe work practices and heightening safety awareness.
- 2. Help provide a safer work environment for all employees through education.
- 3. Foster good relations between employer and employees.

Colleges/Departments Responsibilities

- 1. Each department is responsible for making sure that their employees receive quarterly safety training.
- 2. Departments are responsible for tracking their employees training. Copies do not need to be sent to EHS.
- During a safety inspection of the department, they may be asked to provide documentation of their training records.
- 4. Some departments may require additional safety training for employees due to the job requirements.
- Provisions must be made to arrange for make-up sessions for employees who were not able to attend the scheduled training.

EHS Responsibilities

- EHS provides general and specific safety related training to the faculty, staff, and students.
- 2. All trainings can be tailored to the needs of any office or department on campus.
- We can help with analyzing the specific job hazards to determine training needs.

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