HSE Newsletter

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For COVID-19 updates, refer to <u>Breaking News</u>.

For more information, contact covidinfo@bcit.ca

Ladder Safety Course Available for All Employees

The HSE Division has launched a <u>Ladder Safety Course</u> on the Employee Learning Centre, which supports the new <u>BCIT Ladder Safety Program</u>. All employees will receive this course in their Employee Dashboard on the launch date, and will also see an email notification in their Outlook inbox, but the course is targeted for those who use ladders. After the launch date, all new employees will receive this course in their Employee Dashboard, however only those employees using ladders are to complete the course.

Launch Date

Friday, July 15th, 2022

How long is the course?

This course will take approximately 30 minutes to complete.

Who needs training?

The Ladder Safety course is to be completed before a ladder is used and is targeted to any employee who uses a ladder. The following groups have been identified where employees use ladders:

- Facilities and Campus Development
- Logistics
- BCIT Trades and Apprenticeship programs instructors
- Audio Visual Services
- School of Business and Media Digital Arts, Media and Design
- School of Health Sciences
- School of Computing and Academic Studies Labs., DTC Resources Room, DTC Instructors hotel room
- Student Housing
- Recreational Services

Contact the HSE Division at ssemhse@bcit.ca if you would like to know more about the Ladder Safety Course or Program, or if you use a ladder and your group is not identified in the previous list.

BCIT First Aid: BCIT FirstAid@bcit.ca BCIT OHS: ssemhse@bcit.ca

WHY THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT NEWSLETTER?

Health and Safety is a priority at BCIT. HSE newsletters contain first aid statistics, compliance concerns, and updates of new legislation and interest articles.



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CampusOptics

CampusOptics, an HSE software platform for post-secondary institutions launching in Sept 2022, will:

- Provide a centralized chemical inventory with Safety Data Sheet (SDS) management
- Promote effective Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committee (JOHSC) area safety inspections

Chemical inventories are now being entered into CampusOptics and linked to their SDS. Chemical inventory holders will be able to add or delete chemicals and change quantities. All employees will be able to search for chemicals and find SDS's.

JOHSC members when conducting safety inspections will be able to use an online app to enter the safety inspection into a checklist, note deficiencies, and assign corrective actions. Dashboards will be used to enable line of sight to completed and outstanding safety inspections and corrective actions.

There are many other features for CampusOptics, including safety asset management, which will be activated in the near future.

If you have any questions about CampusOptics, please contact Anna Matheson, amatheson10@bcit.ca.

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2022, Q1 and Q2*	Total # Employees	Total Employees completed course	Employees completed within 30 days of hire	% total complete within 30 days of hire	% total complete
Employee OHS Orientation	373	286	219	59%	77%
WHMIS	373	287	235	63%	77%
Supervisor OHS Skills	23	17	10	43%	74%

^{*}Note: includes renewed employees

Employee First Aid Statistics

