

The office of Environmental Health & Safety (EH&S) is committed to promoting a safe and healthful environment for research, instruction and the campus community. Through education, auditing and monitoring, technical consultation, and the provision of direct services. EH&S assists the campus in meeting its obligations for compliance with the state and Federal health, safety and environmental regulations.

Asbestos/Lead (DCS)

(805) 451-1918



Monitors building projects to ensure against releases of asbestos fibers or lead. Provides annual notification to employees of known asbestos in campus buildings. Teaches protective measures to employees who have potential for occupational exposure.

Biological Safety

x8894



Provides guidance to research groups on bloodborne pathogens, medical waste, aerosol transmissible diseases, shipping biological materials, and containment practice.

Dive & Boat Safety

x4559



Oversees all research that requires SCUBA or boating operations and provides the training, planning and logistical support required for this work.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & MISSION CONTINUITY

(805) 450-1437



Implements strategies and procedures to prepare the University for potential emergencies. Educates the campus community on emergency preparedness, response and recovery topics.

Environmental Compliance

x8533



The Environmental Compliance Program assists the campus community with its environmental (air, water & soil) compliance obligations. Assistance is provided in the form of information, guidance and/or technical support.

Environmental Health

x2471



Oversees the community health and sanitation programs, including food operations, water quality, pest management, and pool sanitation.

Ergonomics

x3283



The science of designing user interaction with equipment and workplaces to fit the user. It relates to the reduction of injuries in all types of jobs. Services include job task evaluation, body mechanics/back care training, evaluations/recommendation of product/tools, and workplace/workflow design to maximize efficiency and comfort for employees.

Event Management

x5848



Monitors events and assists groups in meeting fire and life safety requirements. Provides emergency response plans related to fire and emergency awareness training and develops emergency evacuation.

Fire Prevention

x5848



Assists employees in identifying and eliminating workplace fire hazards. Approves building and renovation plans to ensure compliance with all fire and life safety codes. Provides instruction and review of fire alarm systems and fire protection equipment. Provides training in fire and life safety and offers classes in fire extinguisher use.

Industrial Safety/Injury Prevention

x5407



Manages programs on accident investigation, shop-safety, fall protection, lock-out/tag-out, driver safety, vehicle and equipment safety, CPR/First Aid, injury prevention efforts as well as general campus safety hazards. Provides consultation, training and certification.

Hazardous Chemical Management

x8243



Maintains lab door placard program to provide information to emergency responders. Monitors campus use of large quantity chemicals, toxic gases and other hazardous materials for compliance with applicable local and federal regulations.

Hazardous Waste Disposal

x3293



Manages disposal of all chemical waste generated on campus. Program includes waste pickups, pollution prevention, regulatory compliance, and maintaining emergency response capabilities.

Industrial Hygiene/Occ Health

x8787



Provides information, consultation and training on industrial hygiene/occupational health subjects such as respiratory protection, hearing conservation, heat illness, confined space and hazard communication. Conducts IAQ surveys, exposure assessments and recommends control measures.

Injury & Illness Prevention

x5407



Coordinates development of departmental Injury and Illness Prevention Programs with Department Safety Representatives (DSRs).

Lab Safety

x4899



Provides training, information and inspections to foster safe and legal lab practices to protect workers against chemical and physical hazards. Reviews all new lab construction and renovation plans. Assists labs in developing their OSHA Chemical Hygiene Plans. Investigates lab accidents and coordinates hazardous materials emergency response activities.

Laser Safety

x7255



Provides training, safety information and laser safety audits to assist compliance with applicable policies and regulations.

Radiation Safety

x7255



Provides training, laboratory inspections, radiation exposure monitoring for both radioactive material and X-ray producing machine users. Manages the campus radioactive waste disposal program, including waste pickup, storage and disposal.

Risk Management

x5837



Protects the campus from the risk of unanticipated loss, manages UC's insurance programs, manages the campus response to lawsuits and claims, analyzes risks involved in campus activities and use of facilities, and resolves contract insurance and indemnification issues.

Stormwater Management

x8997



The purpose of stormwater management is to protect and restore the physical, chemical, and biological integrity of our nation's waterways by controlling and limiting discharges of pollutants to these waterways.

Field Research Safety

x8894



Train. Equip. Support.
Field Research Safety offers specialized training, safety equipment, field plan templates and guidance to faculty, staff and students whose research has a fieldwork component.

Workers' Compensation

x2029



Workers' Compensation is a state-mandated insurance plan designed to be a "no-fault" system. Provides benefits and assistance to all employees who are injured or develop a job-related illness as a result of their employment.

Interim Director: Renée Bahl (805) 893-2040

Related Phone Numbers

Pest Control on Campus, for example:	
Rodents, Raccoons, Insects, Birds (live): Facilities Management	(805) 893-8300
Dogs (running loose): County Animal Control	(805) 681-5285
Marine Animals:	
Live: CIMWI Rescue Hotline	(805) 567-1505
Dead: CIMWI Rescue Hotline	(805) 567-1505
Injured Animals:	
Wildlife Care Network	(805) 681-1080
Dead Animals in buildings or on roads:	
County Animal Control	(805) 681-5285
Environmental Health Issues at Home	
County Public Health Department Food	(805) 681-4900
Permits for Student Groups:	
Office of Stud. Engagement & Leadership	(805) 893-4894
Hot Work Permits	
Physical Facilities - Indoors	(805) 451-8996
EH&S - Outdoors	(805) 893-3785
Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center	
County of Santa Barbara	(805) 882-3602
Recycling Program	
Associated Students	(805) 893-7765