

Environmental Health & Safety Seminar – Required Attendance

The Environmental Health & Safety Seminar is offered on September 28 and 29th. All incoming MCB Students must attend the Monday, September 28th sessions. If you are interested in any of the Tuesday sessions, you may also attend these. Registration directions are located at the bottom of this message.

Below you will find the following information.

- * Seminar sessions description and schedule (PDF brochure is attached).
- * Online registration and link
- * How to contact us

SEMINAR AND REQUIRED ATTENDANCE

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Monday 9/28/09

Laboratory Safety Practices 8:00-10:20 am _____
Fire Extinguisher Training 10:30-12:00 noon _____
Bloodborne Pathogens for Researchers 1:00-2:30 pm _____
Managing Laboratory Chemicals 2:45-4:45 pm _____

Tuesday 9/29/09

Laboratory Safety Practices 8:00-10:20 am _____
Fire Extinguisher Training 10:30-12:00 noon _____
General Biosafety Training 1:00-2:30 pm _____
Field Research Health Hazards 2:45-4:45 pm _____

SEMINAR SESSIONS

Laboratory Safety Practices (8:00-10:20 am) is offered each morning. All entering UW graduate students working in laboratories at any of the three campuses or remote facilities are expected to attend one of these sessions. The session is an introduction to: supervisory responsibility, emergency preparedness, accident reporting, required training and record keeping, frequently cited safety problems in labs, Chemical Hazard Communication, Personal Protective Equipment, and some of the hazards for chemical, physical, electrical, mechanical, biological, radiation, hazardous waste, etc. This session is presented by technical experts from each of EH&Ss five offices.

Fire Extinguisher Training (10:30-12:00 noon) is offered each morning and is recommended for all new graduate students. Session includes fire prevention, emergency and evacuation procedures, and hands-on fire extinguisher training. Annual training is required for anyone who is expected to use an extinguisher in the event of an emergency.

Bloodborne Pathogens for Researchers (Monday ONLY 1:00-2:30 pm) is required for all new graduate students working with human cells, tissues, or body fluids in the lab. Annual refresher training is required.

Managing Laboratory Chemicals (Monday ONLY 2:45-4:45 pm) All new graduate students working in a chemical laboratory are expected to attend this session. This class provides information on risk assessment, personal protection, storage, MSDSs, chemical safety resources, and the proper procedures for managing and disposing of chemical wastes. It also covers spill prevention, clean-up procedures, and supplies for small spills of chemicals (such as acidic, caustic, flammable solvents, mercury, and toxic materials).

General Biosafety Training (Tuesday ONLY 1:00-2:30 pm) is strongly recommended for Principal Investigators and their staff who are working with infectious agents and recombinant DNA. It covers the review and approval process for biological agents at the University of Washington and the requirements governing their use (e.g. facilities, equipment, practices).

Field Research Health Hazards (Tuesday ONLY 2:45-4:45 pm) is a health and safety course for field researchers and those who collect animals. (Includes food and drinking water safety, rabies, Hantavirus, the plague and fleas, Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases, waterborne disease hazards, West Nile virus, toxic plants, dangerous animals, venomous insects, field hygiene, etc.)

ONLINE REGISTRATION

Please register online for the sessions you plan on attending at <http://www.ehs.washington.edu/pubcookie/db/labsaf2009reg.php>.

You will need to have:

UWNetID

UW Email

Student Identification Number

Correct department name = Molecular & Cellular Biology

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Sessions do fill up and we will turn away the overflow. So, you may not be able to attend the session you want/need if you wait until the last couple of weeks to register. If you have questions please call 206-543-7201.

Thank you,

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