Occupational Health and Safety Officer

This program is approved by the Board of Canadian Registered Safety Professionals (BCRSP). Graduates are eligible for national certifications. Learn the skills you need to become a certified Health and Safety Officer, in just 12 months.

The field of occupational health and safety focuses on analyzing risks, minimizing accidents, and ensuring companies are following the law Occupational health and safety officers play an important role in keeping workers safe across Ontario.

Herzing students qualify for CRST certification immediately after graduation. After 4 years of work experience, you can pursue the more advanced CRSP certification. Successful graduates of the Occupational Health and Safety program can also take advantage of our articulation agreement with Columbia Southern University:



Program Length: 12 Months (20 hours/week)
Includes 12 week internship



Program Delivery:
On Campus, Online, Hybrid

CAREER OUTLOOK

There is steady demand for occupational health and safety officers throughout Ontario and across Canada. Companies need skilled professionals to conduct inspections, deliver training, and ensure compliance with health and safety legislation.

Employment Statistics

88%

Percentage of Overall 2022 Available Graduates

Employed in a Related Field

PROSPECTIVE JOB TITLES

Health and Safety Assistant, OHS Administrator, OHS Coordinator, Health and Safety Officer

PROSPECTIVE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Government agencies, Insurance companies, Hospitals and other healthcare providers, Universities, colleges, and other educational institutions, Factories and manufacturing plans, Transportation companies, Construction companies

Employment result listed is for all programs combined, and are from the most current annual report. Information in this document is subject to change. Updated March 3, 2023

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum of a Canadian high school grade 12 or equivalent (Ontario high school diploma or equivalent) or a mature student (19 years of age or older and has been removed from full-time high school for minimum 2 years). Students applying as mature students must demonstrate appropriate levels of math, English literacy, comprehension and/or written skills to warrant success and completion of program
- Pass an entrance test administered by Herzing College
- Be interviewed in detail regarding interest in the field
- Note: admission to some programs may include additional requirements

PROGRAM PARTNERS





COURSE LIST

This program teaches the skills you need to become a certified Health and Safety Officer. Study topics include health and safety legislation, how to deliver safety training, risk analysis, worker health and wellness, and disability management.

- Hazard Recognition
- Safety Audit Analysis
- Environmental Issues and Fire Prevention
- Ergonomics
- Occupational Hygiene
- Worker Health and Wellness
- Laws and Ethics
- Management Systems
- Risk Management

- Effective OHS Communications
- OHS Training in the Workplace
- Worker's Compensation Board & Disability Management
- Documentation and Reporting
- Career Development
- Internship

