Lab Safety Training Requirements

UMass Dartmouth’s Office of EHS offers web-based laboratory safety courses for members of our research community. Students can save progress and return to courses at their convenience. CITI program automatically tracks completion and emails users' reminders when refresher training is required. The online “Training for Investigators, Staff and Students Handling Biohazards” and “Lab Chemical Safety” courses cover foundational and core safety elements. CITI tracks users, logs completion records, and includes comprehension quizzes. Faculty and PI/researchers may require students to provide (print or email) their completion record for the lab’s records. All faculty, researchers and students working in laboratories with chemical or biological hazards are required to complete the following training courses via the CITI Program website:

Lab Chemical Safety: This course is required for learners that encounter hazardous chemicals while working in a laboratory. 
Corresponding regulations: 29 CFR 1910.1450 (OSHA), 40 CFR 265 (EPA), 310 CMR 30.000 (DEP)

Training for Investigators, Staff and Students Handling Biohazards: This course is required for learners that encounter biohazards while working in a laboratory. 
Corresponding regulation: BMBL/NIH Guidelines on Biosafety (CDC)

How to Access CITI Program Training Courses
- Open a web browser and navigate to https://about.citiprogram.org then click “Register”.

The Trusted Standard in Research, Ethics, and Compliance Training
- Scroll down and start type University of Massachusetts Dartmouth or select it from the drop-down list. Check off both boxes below and click “Continue to Create Your CITI Program Username/Password” to continue registration.

- For steps 3-7, continue to fill in your personal information and preferences to continue.
• Once registration is complete, navigate to the “Institutional Courses” heading and click on “View Courses” next to University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

![Institutional Courses](image)

• Finally, scroll and select your required courses from the list!

In addition to the required courses shown above, PI or Lab Supervisors should be providing students with lab, protocol and equipment specific safety training. If PI or Lab Supervisors need assistance with content development, the EHS team is willing to help and provide train the trainer sessions if necessary. PI or Lab Supervisors are expected to document lab specific training with written records including the date, training provided, and attendees. EHS will ask for and audit lab training records during regularly scheduled lab safety inspections.

Please contact the Office of EHS with questions!

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