

The OHTA Advantage



OHTA (ohtatraining.org) was founded in 2009 with a mission to provide occupational hygiene (OH) professionals and practitioners at various skill levels, a unique international training and qualification scheme. Throughout its history, OHTA has remained steadfast in its goals to provide training courses that meet the following criteria:

State-of-the Art Content		Authored and Taught by Global Experts
Accessible	Affordable	Internationally Recognized

Check out the OHTA Advantage

- ✓ OHTA Training Modules are authored, reviewed, and updated by global subject matter experts. Contributors include certified IH/OH professionals, national association experts, leaders in academia, practitioners in varied market sectors, and globally recognized organizations such as U.S. NIOSH. Content includes the most current scientific and technical IH/OH and best practices.
- ✓ In January 2024, OHTA released updated Training Modules replacing the W500 series with the OHTA500 series. OHTA course manuals are comprehensive technical documents with references. Extensive backup training materials are also provided to trainers such as slides, questions/answers, case studies, and practical exercises.
- ✓ OHTA Training Modules include a Basics Principles course and seven modules at the intermediate level. All are available for free download at https://ohtatraining.org/students/fmanuals/. In addition, OHTA has just released a highly regarded Industry-specific Specialist Course on the Mining and Mineral Processing Industries with additional Specialist Courses in development.

- ✓ In 2024, OHTA transitioned to on-line exams with a multiple-choice format (MCQ exam). New Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology allows the OHTA MCQ exams to be translated into multiple languages which is followed by verification by native speakers. This is a fairer way to evaluate students whose first language is not English.
- ✓ The MCQ exams are based on an LMS system used internationally by universities. The LMS system provides exam results and OHTA certificates within a few weeks.
- ✓ Certified occupational hygiene professionals provide courses in over 55 countries and on-line. With help from OHTA sponsors, OHTA may adjust the exam fees to support countries where students cannot afford to pay the exam fee of \$125 USD/£100.
- ✓ OHTA Training Modules are accepted as meeting the IH/OH education requirements for those working toward the CIH credential offered by the Board of Global Credentialling. The OHTA Training Modules may very well meet the IH/OH education requirements for other professional certifications offered by national OH associations.
- ✓ After successfully completing (6) OHTA Training Modules, students qualify for the ICertOHTA certificate in OH. This is an impressive achievement that may advance one's career today or serve as a stepping-stone to professional certification such as the CIH or other professional certification later.
- ✓ In 2024, OHTA announced a new partnership with AIHA (aiha.org), Workplace Health Without Borders-US (whwb.org), and the Board for Global Credentialling (gobgc.org) to help qualified applicants in emerging economies achieve the prestigious CIH credential. Depending on need, help may include reduced fees for OHTA exams, a personal mentor to help prepare them for the CIH exam, a reduced fee on the AIHA CIH Prep Course, and more.
- ✓ OHTA volunteers celebrate OHTA students particularly those that achieve the ICertOHTA. We offer our students a helping hand, friendship, and support throughout their career.

Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire. - William Butler Yeats.

The beautiful thing about learning is that nobody can take it away from you. - B.B. King

OHTA asks the OH global community to support our work by choosing OHTA courses and examinations or donating directly to OHTA through our webpage at <u>Supporter the OHTA – Donate Now – Occupational Hygiene Training Association</u>. This is our only source of income. Help us preserve this valuable resource and ensure it can evolve to meet future needs.

