OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The Office of the Chief Risk Officer is committed to promoting an environmentally responsible, safe and healthful environment for University staff, faculty, students and visitors, while supporting our institution’s mission of teaching and research.

The Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) aspect of OCRO provides technical expertise and support to ensure compliance with the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act and its Regulations by staff and students at the University. The Assistant Director, OHS oversees many activities such as:

- Promoting health and safety principles, and prevention strategies
- Interpreting the Occupational Health and Safety Act and its Regulations
- Overseeing activities of the health and safety management system
- Conducting health and safety assessments and evaluations
- Investigating incidents and accidents, and other safety-related concerns and complaints
- Overseeing the Functional and University Occupational Health and Safety Committees
- Providing applicable training
- Investigating work refusals and critical injuries and reports to Ministry of Labour, as necessary
- Reviewing, overseeing, and updating Policy 77 - Occupational Health and Safety Policy and Policy 58 - Non-Smoking Policy, as required
- Overseeing and managing University First Aid program
- Conducting Designated Substances Assessments
- Liaising with safety groups and organizations