

Society for Chemical Hazard Communication Professional Development Training

Science for the Hazard Communicator

Monday, September 22, 2025 Grand Hyatt Washington – Washington, DC

Course Description

This course an overview of the STEM principles of mathematics, chemistry, biology, and environmental science that are foundational for hazard communication and product stewardship. Emphasis is placed on the principles most relevant for an understanding of how chemicals cause adverse health, physical, and environmental effects, and how these adverse effects are assessed, classified, communicated, and managed. This course is aligned with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS).

This is intended to be basic course and there are no prerequisites.

Intended Audience

Hazard communication and product stewardship professionals who are new to the practice and whose backgrounds are in areas other than these core sciences. Also, practicing professionals who simply want to increase the confidence with which that carry out their responsibilities.

Course Fee: \$500 / members \$640 / non-members

Course Director and Instructor



Robert Skoglund, Ph.D., DABT, CIH, CPPS

Dr. Skoglund is the Director of Product Safety and Regulatory Affairs at Covestro LLC. His responsibilities include safety, compliance, sustainability, and stewardship for chemicals and products for North America — including hazard communication and product stewardship.

Instructor



Lisa Marie Nespoli, M.S., CPPS

Mrs. Nespoli is the Senior Manager, Product Safety and Product Stewardship at Covestro LLC. Her responsibilities include managing the product health, safety, and stewardship for Covestro's products for North America — including hazard communication and product stewardship.



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Instructor



Richard W. "Rick" Siergiej, Ph.D.

Dr. Siergiej is a chemist with over 40 years of experience in the chemical industry, most recently serving as Regulatory Affairs Manager for Covestro LLC prior to becoming an independent consultant. His areas of expertise include analytical chemistry and plastic materials used in medical and food-contact applications.

Course Topics and Agenda (Subject to Change)

7:00 to 8:00am Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:00 to 12:00pm • Math and statistics for HazCom and Product Stewardship

Chemistry for HazCom and Product Stewardship

12:00 to 1:00pm Lunch (provided)

1:00 to 5:00pm

• Biology for HazCom and Product Stewardship

• Environmental science for HazCom and Product Stewardship

Course Materials

SCHC is transitioning course materials for professional development courses at the Annual Meeting from paper to digital format. The digital materials will be similar to those used in SCHC's distance learning courses. Your course fee includes access to these electronic materials, which you can download before the meeting. This year will be a transition year, and you can still request a notebook of the materials for an extra fee: \$45 for half-day courses and \$65 for full-day courses. Notebooks must be ordered when you register. Notebooks will be available for pick-up at the conference. Embracing digital course materials aligns with sustainability goals and fosters an eco-friendly and technologically advanced approach to professional development.

Registration

Admission to the course will be on a first-come basis. Payment must be received by August 22, 2025, to secure your space. Space is limited. Fill out the registration form located on SCHC's website: www.schc.org. SCHC accepts checks, Visa, MasterCard and American Express.



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Cancellation Policy

No refunds will be given after August 22, 2025. No one will be admitted to the course unless all fees have been paid in advance. Every effort has been made to ensure the information in this brochure is accurate. SCHC reserves the right to modify this course without prior notice or to cancel the course 30 days prior to the course date. In the event this course is canceled, SCHC's obligation is limited to a full refund of the course fee.

Hotel Accommodations

A hotel room block has been reserved at the Grand Hyatt Washington, located at 1000 H St. NW, Washington, DC. Rates start at \$299 for a standard room. Deadline for hotel reservations is Friday, August 29, 2025. Click here to make reservations. https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/WASGH/G-SCH5.