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## **Landscape/Grounds-keeping Safety and WHMIS**

This course is geared towards summer staff and new personnel from the Grounds department, Research Stations Operations, Arboretum, Arena and Guelph Turf Grass.

This workshop covers many general safety topics, including:

- An introduction to the Occupational Health and Safety Act;
- The University Safety Policy
- Safety administration at the U of G
- Duties and responsibilities
- Rights of the worker including work refusals
- Incident Reporting
- Hazards in the workplace and their controls, including
  - Working in heat, sun safety, and biting insects
  - Back care and proper lifting techniques
- Safety Resources
- Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) as requested

Specific contents for the landscape portion of the program includes:

- Landscape maintenance with small machinery including mowers, weed-eaters and hand implements,
- Road side safety and awareness of pedestrians.

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