

About Us

Board of Certified Safety Professionals

BCSP establishes standards for and verifies minimum competency in professional safety practice and evaluates CSPs for compliance with recertification requirements. Since 1969, over 18,000 individuals have achieved, and almost 11,000 currently hold, the Certified Safety Professional (CSP) certification. BCSP is an accredited, non-profit corporation in Savoy, Illinois.

Council on Certification of Health, Environmental and Safety Technologists

CHEST is recognized as the leader in high-quality, third-party accredited health, safety, and environmental credentialing for technologists, technicians, supervisors, and workers. CHEST has established, maintained, and promoted the highest quality certification programs since 1985. BCSP and the American Board of Industrial Hygienists (ABIH) are parent organizations of CHEST.

ASSE Foundation

The American Society of Safety Engineers Foundation, established by and in partnership with the American Society of Safety Engineers, generates funding and provides resources for scholarship, applied research, academic accreditation, and related academic initiatives in order to advance the safety, health, and environmental profession.



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Professional Development Assistance for Safety Faculty

There are now options for faculty members to **WAIVE SAFETY CERTIFICATION FEES** through BCSP, CHEST and the ASSE Foundation

BCSP Certifications:

- Certified Safety Professional® (CSP®)

CHEST Certifications:

- Occupational Health and Safety Technologist® (OHST)
- Construction Health and Safety Technician® (CHST)

BCSP and CCHES Application Fees

Faculty members at U.S. accredited colleges or universities that hold institutional accreditation from a recognized accrediting body* may waive the CSP, OHST or CHST application fee. Those who teach at least one safety or safety-related course in a degree program in the current or upcoming academic year qualify. Safety-related includes industrial hygiene, environmental, fire protection, environmental health, and ergonomics.

Individuals interested in applying for the application fee waiver should complete and submit a voucher application form and provide teaching assignment verification (e.g., a letter from a department head, college dean, or other official responsible for the teaching assignment verifying the course(s), instructional responsibility, and semester/term).

A nontransferable voucher is issued to the faculty member after review and verification of the voucher application form. The voucher (in lieu of an application fee) must accompany the individual's application materials and be received by the voucher expiration date. The individual named on the voucher must match the name on the application.

*U.S. Department of Education (ED) at www.ope.ed.gov/accreditation or the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) at www.chea.org

Those already in the application process prior to June 1, 2005 or currently a CSP, OHST or CHST are not eligible for an application fee waiver or refund.

For more information on BCSP and CCHES application fee waivers for faculty, or to apply, visit www.bcsp.org/downloads if applying for the CSP certification or www.cchest.org/downloads if pursuing the OHST or CHST certification. You may also contact Heather Murphy at heather@bcsp.org if you have any questions.

BCSP and CCHES Examination Fees

Faculty may also apply for various professional development grants to cover BCSP and CCHES examination fees and examination preparation (all need based) through the ASSE Foundation.

Delmar E. Tally Professional Development Grant

This is a cash grant providing financial assistance to ASSE members who wish to advance their education through recognized safety certification courses, including the CSP, OHST, and CHST.

Medina Professional Development Grant

This grant provides financial assistance to ASSE members who want to advance their education through certification. Grant funds may be used toward BCSP examination fees (computer-delivered exams taken in the U.S. only) and application fees.

Texas Safety Foundation Professional Development Grant

This grant provides financial assistance to full-time safety professionals seeking certification in recognized safety certification courses including the CSP, OHST, and CHST. ASSE membership is not required.

Please see the ASSE Foundation section of the ASSE web site at www.asse.org/foundation for grant details and deadlines, or submit questions via email to agabanski@asse.org.

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

BCSP and CCHES examination fees are reimbursed by the Department of Veterans Affairs for those active duty, Reserve Component personnel, and military retirees who are eligible under various entitlement programs (e.g., Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB), Veterans Education Assistance Program (VEAP), etc.). Contact your local VA Regional Office at 888-442-4551 for more information.