

Safety Degree from California State University, Sacramento Becomes a GSP Qualified Academic Program

**Sacramento, California (April 1, 2021)** – California State University, Sacramento's Bachelor of Science in Public Health, Occupational Health and Safety Concentration has been reviewed by the Board of Certified Safety Professionals (BCSP) and approved as a Graduate Safety Practitioner<sup>®</sup> (GSP<sup>®</sup>) Qualified Academic Program (QAP), providing the program's graduates the opportunity to apply with BCSP for the GSP designation after graduation.

The GSP meets the credential requirement for the Certified Safety Professional<sup>®</sup> (CSP<sup>®</sup>), the "gold standard" in safety certification, allowing those who hold the designation to waive the Associate Safety Professional<sup>®</sup> (ASP<sup>®</sup>) certification examination. It demonstrates accomplishment and commitment to professional development.

"We welcome California State University, Sacramento's exceptional safety program and those who graduate from it," says the Interim CEO of BCSP, Christy Uden, CAE, IOM. "Those who graduate from GSP Qualified Academic Programs have a strong foundation of knowledge that deserves recognition and BCSP looks forward to supporting them in the development of their careers."

A GSP QAP is a degree program in safety, health, and environmental (SH&E) practice that has been reviewed by BCSP and demonstrates a substantial match to the ASP exam blueprint. Any person having graduated from California State University, Sacramento with a Bachelor of Science in Public Health, Occupational Health and Safety Concentration may apply for the GSP designation within their program's applicable dates as it appears on the QAP list.

More information on the California State University, Sacramento's Bachelor of Science in Public Health, Occupational Health and Safety Concentration can be found at www.csus.edu, and details on the GSP are available at bcsp.org/gsp.

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**The Board of Certified Safety Professionals (BCSP)**, headquartered in Indianapolis, Indiana, is a not-for-profit corporation recognized as a leader in high-quality, accredited credentialing for safety, health, and environmental (SH&E) practitioners. BCSP establishes standards and certifies competency criteria in professional safety practice. Since 1969, over 100,000 of BCSP's CSP, SMS, ASP, OHST, CHST, STS, STSC, or CIT certifications have been achieved.

We are very happy to announce that the BS in Public Health (Occupational Health and Safety Concentration) at California State University, Sacramento has been recognized as a <u>Qualified</u> <u>Academic Program</u> (QAP) by <u>Board of Certified Safety Professionals</u> (BCSP), one of the main credentialing organization for safety, health and environment professionals in the US. It will be only the second program in California to have such a recognition.

This recognition will help the students graduating from this concentration to get <u>Graduate Safety</u> <u>Practitioner</u> (GSP) designation without any separate examination. It will also waive the requirement to pass the Associate Safety Professional (ASP) Examination, which is prerequisite for getting the <u>Certified Safety Professional</u> (CSP), and give students an alternative route to get CSP certification.

Students who have graduated or will be graduating on or after 08/01/2018 (Fall 2018) in BS Health Science or Public Health with OHS Concentration can apply for this designation. Link

How to Apply for GSP? https://www.bcsp.org/GSP

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