

## Global OSHA: Digital Badging

*Digital badges are an assessment and credentialing mechanism that is housed and managed online. Digital badges are tokens that appear as icons or logos on a Web page or other online venue. Digital badges signify accomplishments, such as mastery of a skill or completion of a project. As records of achievement, Digital badges can verify and recognize the completion of training within a college course, compliance training, or continuing education program. Global OSHA issues digital badges for all of its training classes because it understands the importance of documenting worker knowledge, skills, and training; especially when it comes to occupational safety and health. Digital Badges communicate expertise and learning progress to all of the stakeholders in a learning environment. Providing a digital badge for your training enables you to be more widely recognized for your qualification.*



### Digital Badge Data

The digital badge includes a variety of information, referred to as *evidence*, which is easily accessible for verification. Examples of the type of information contained within the badge include the following.

- Who earned the badge
- What the badge represents
- Instruction time
- How it was earned
- When it was earned
- Who issued it
- Evidence examples of the work that went into earning the badge

The description, required criteria, evidence, endorsements and more are all viewable in the credential itself.

### How Do Digital Badges Add Value?

Badges represent a different or supplemental approach to traditional learning. Workers control their badges by choosing where to display them and determining who can see them. Badges can be especially useful for workers because they are able to document their training on different platforms.

### Tracking Professional Development

Digital badges are easier to share and track than traditional paper records. Each badge is backed by a portfolio of evidence that makes it easier for employers to verify your training.

Share your badges in:

- Blogs
- Websites
- ePortfolios
- Job applications
- Email signatures

## Documenting Training Topics

Global OSHA issues digital badges for each of the training topics covered in all #100 and #200 series courses. This allows individuals to easily verify the specific safety and health training topics they completed and the amount of instruction time they received.

## Course Completion Cards QR Code

Global OSHA includes a QR code which links to the digital badges on the back of all course completion wallet cards for #100 and #200 series courses, and on all trainer cards.



This enables the cardholder to easily share the QR code through the convenience of a wallet-size card which can be scanned and viewed on a job site, in an office, or at an interview.

## How Do I Create a Badge Profile?

Upon receipt of the notification email, students can create a digital badge profile page to showcase all of the digital badges they earn through Global OSHA.

- Click on the link
- Enter a user name and password
- Share the URL as you determine
- Document training achievements

## Sharing Badges on Social Media

The Global OSHA platform makes it easy to share your badges through a variety of social media sites, including the following:

- LinkedIn
- Facebook
- Twitter
- Google+

## OSHA Knowledge and Experience

Safety subject matter experts, with OSHA knowledge and experience, create the curriculum and determine the evidence requirements that support the digital badges issued by Global OSHA. This adds credibility to the documentation of the training.

## About Global OSHA

Global Occupational Safety and Health Academy, LLC was created by, and is managed by, former senior management staff from the USDOL OSHA Directorate of Training and Education. The organizational mission is to provide a framework for developing and delivering high quality occupational safety and health training to workers around the world.

## IACET Accreditation and CEUs



Global Occupational Safety and Health Academy, LLC is accredited by the International Association for Continuing Education and Training (IACET). Global OSHA complies with the ANSI/IACET Standard, which is recognized internationally as a standard of excellence in instructional practices. Global OSHA is accredited to issue IACET Continuing Education Units (CEUs).

## Global OSHA Website

For more information, including course descriptions, course schedules, and a listing of Global OSHA Authorized Trainers, please visit the Website at: [www.globalosha.org](http://www.globalosha.org)