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## **FEEDBACK TUTORIAL LETTER**

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**ASSIGNMENT 1 and 2**

**OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY  
(OSH420S)**

## **Occupational Health and Safety (OSH 420S)**

### **Feedback on Assignments 1 and 2**

#### **Assignments 1**

In this Assignment, students were asked to write an essay on the Occupational Health and Safety environment and practices at their respective workplaces, especially during COVID-19.

#### **The details of the essay focused on the following:**

- Define occupational health and safety in the workplace in your own words. Give relevant examples to your occupational area/trade in your definition.
- Identify the different safety hazards in your workshop in general
- Looking at the hazards as identified by the Occupational Health and Safety Division in Namibia, which of these hazards are applicable to your trade? Give reasons why they are applicable to your trade.
- List the prevention measures that can be taken to reduce the safety hazards identified at 1.2

#### **Feedback:**

Only two (2) students did this assignment and both of them did extremely well on the task, They could clearly and competently address all points listed above in a convincing manner – they have a good grasp of what occupational health and safety in the workplace entails, and relevant examples from their occupational area/trade, they were able to identify the different safety hazards at their respective workplaces, they could identify health hazards according to the Occupational Health and Safety Division in Namibia prescripts and they could write on the prevention measures that can be taken to reduce the safety hazards at their workplaces.

As such, I am happy that the students could deliver on the task and I am convinced that they have a good grasp of the health and safety issues and protocols at their respective workplaces and how to avoid or minimize the health hazards at their respective work places. It seems they are practically equipped to develop and implement a good health and safety plan at their work places.

## **ASSIGNMENT 02**

In this Assignment, students were asked to assume the role of Safety Officer at the workplace and to design a plan to prevent the spread of COVID 19 at your workplace.

The plan to prevent the spread of the pandemic should be based on the following topics:

- Major aims of Occupational Health and Safety in the workplace
- The different safety hazards related to workshops in general
- How to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the workplace
- Any legislative/policy changes you may wish to recommend to your VTC or training center and
- A Safety programme you can put into place as part of preventing the spread of COVID-19

### **Feedback:**

Again, just with Assignment 1, only two (2) students did this assignment.

A similar conclusion can be made based on the assessments of the work of the students because both of them did extremely well on the task, They could clearly and competently addresses all points listed above in a convincing manner – they have a good grasp of the aims of Occupational Health and Safety in the workplace, different safety hazards related to workshops in general, how to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the workplace and they could clearly articulate on legislative/policy changes they would like to be seen to be made at their workplaces in the capacity as a Safety Officer, tasked , inter alia with the duty to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

As such, I am happy that the students could deliver on the task and I am convinced that they have a good grasp of the health and safety issues and protocols at their respective workplaces, that they have a good grasp of the issues involved in containing the spread of COVID- 19 and importantly, they seem to be capable and competent to design a Plan to reduce COVID 19 at the workplace.

My impression is that these two students are skilled and competent to design and implement a fully-fledged Health and Safety Programmed at work including a COVID – 19 element.