

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & SAFETY NEWSLETTER

New Staff Introductions

Victoria Giovanniello is a third-year candidate for a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science with a minor in Global Health at Northeastern University. While she is on her first co-op with EH&S, she will be assisting the Biosafety Program by reviewing biosafety protocols and performing biosafety audits. She will also be developing training programs and other environmental health resources for students and faculty. When she is not working, Victoria enjoys music, exploring Boston, and participating in Northeastern's Partners in Health club.

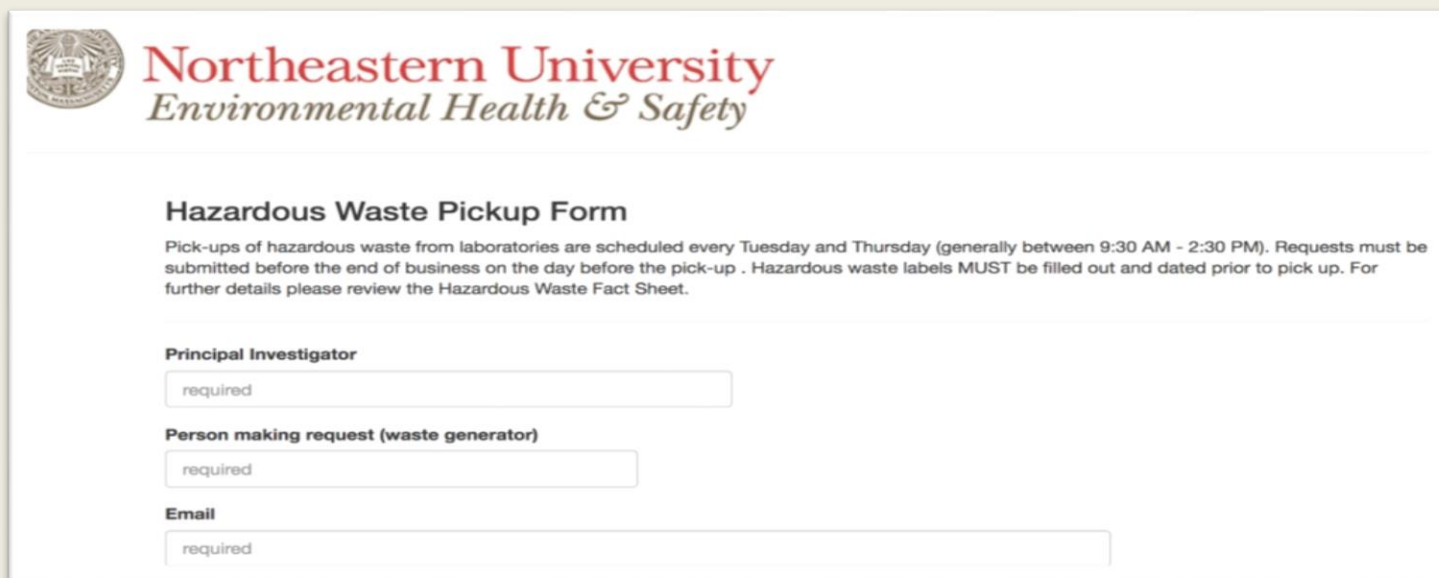



Liam Numrich is a fourth year candidate for a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science at Northeastern University. As a Technical Assistant co-op, he will be helping the Laboratory Safety and Hazardous Material teams with the implementation of lab safety training programs, maintaining chemical inventory records, and conducting safety inspections and lab audits. In addition to this, he will help staff with maintaining monthly wastewater pretreatment records and escorting sampling personnel to meet MWRA permit requirements. Prior to working at EH&S, Liam interned at the Boston Public Library as a GIS co-op. Outside of work, he enjoys running and playing music.

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Updated Hazardous Waste Request Form

We are happy to debut our updated [Online Hazardous Waste Disposal Request Form!](#) Enhancements include: Concise information in regards to dates and times our hazardous waste vendor is available for hazardous waste disposal services, hazardous waste container compatibility checks, dropdown menu for chemical identification, supply replenishment requests and more! Please test drive the updated form and let us know if you have any feedback by contacting ehs@northeastern.edu.



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Hazardous Waste Pickup Form

Pick-ups of hazardous waste from laboratories are scheduled every Tuesday and Thursday (generally between 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM). Requests must be submitted before the end of business on the day before the pick-up. Hazardous waste labels MUST be filled out and dated prior to pick up. For further details please review the Hazardous Waste Fact Sheet.

Principal Investigator

Person making request (waste generator)

Email

OLD NEWSLETTERS

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Original chemical labels **MUST** be fully defaced **or** covered

- It **MUST** be obvious that the original material is **NOT** inside the container

Containers **MUST** be equipped with **NU Empty Container Labels** which indicate that the container is:

- Fully defaced or covered** (refer to image), and
- Triple rinsed** (with hazardous rinsate collected for disposal), or
- Completely emptied**, or
- Residue is non-hazardous** (per RCRA regulations)



Empty chemical containers must be properly managed to ensure chemical residuals (if present) are non-hazardous to trash handling personnel. Once containers are empty, you must remove, cover over or deface all chemical warning information labels, remove caps and complete an empty container label prior to leaving them out for the regular trash. Empty container labels can be obtained by submitting an [online hazardous waste disposal request](#) or printing from the Hazardous Waste Management section of our website. Containers that held organic solvents should be aired out in chemical fume hood and those that held solids should be shaken or scraped clean. Some acutely hazardous chemicals require triple rinsing prior to disposal in the regular trash (with all rinsate collected as a hazardous waste). If you have one-gallon solvent bottles, EH&S can take them for recycling in other labs. For additional information, please refer to our Empty Container Fact Sheet on the Hazardous Waste Management section of our website.