VANCE KEKOA BIOGRAPHY ON PRESENTER



HIGHLIGHTS OF EXPERIENCE

- 33 years in Environmental Health and Safety
- 23 years EHS Professional Consultant for US and International R&D
- Specialize in global shipping of dangerous goods and emergency response
- Joined CSUSM Safety, Health and Sustainability in February 2018 and provides direct support for several campuses in the CSU system

SPECIALIZED PROJECTS

- Homeland Security increase control protocol advisor for global pharmaceutical firm
- Designed temporary walk-in decontamination containment unit with ULPA filtration system
- Infection control consultant for professional sports franchises and collegiate sports programs
- Special consultant for remediation of buried articles on US Military bases
- Decommissioned abandoned fully operational chip manufacturing facility
- Formalized the sealed source leak testing procedure for one of the largest domestic oil refineries
- On-scene IC for chemical/radioactive material/biohazard interstate transport spill response
- Environmental monitoring consultant during new water ride construction for major theme park
- On camera host for safety videos filmed in Culver City for private biotechnology corporation

WORKING ENVIRONMENTS

- Biotechnology
- Academic Institutions
- Remediation Sites
- Mega Distribution Centers
- Professional and Collegiate Sports Organizations

RECENT PRESENTATIONS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

- Vance Kekoa has certified CSU employees from multiple campuses for HAZWOPER refresher training over the last 10 years.
- The in-lab spill response training exercise continues to be one of the most requested presentations by research institutions and private clients across the country.
- Recent presentations on risk and safety in the academic laboratory environment were well received by faculty at both CSU San Marcos and CSU Channel Islands.
- Keynote speaker for 2019 CSUSM Safety Fair [Are you winning the infinite game of safety?]