

# Ethics & Compliance in Business

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WHAT IS ETHICS & COMPLIANCE

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT

KEY ELEMENTS

**TEACHING E&C** 





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#### **Ethics**



- Value system
- Guide decisions and actions
- Doing what is right regardless of what the law says

Ethics Policies Promote the Rationalization for Values and Integrity

#### Compliance



- Rules & Regulations
- Meet legal requirements
- A reactive word that forces people to make a conscious choice

Compliance Policies Discourage Opportunities for Rule-Breaking









#### Create Program Structure

- Ethics Officer
- Board Oversight
- Reporting Relationship



## Establish Corporate Standards

- •Code of Conduct
- Global Considerations
- Implementation



#### Educate the Workforce

- Develop Training Plan
- •Execute Training
- •Assess Learning



## Create Investigation Procedures

- Ethical Guidance
- Reporting Mechanism
- •Investigation Process
- Whistleblower Protection



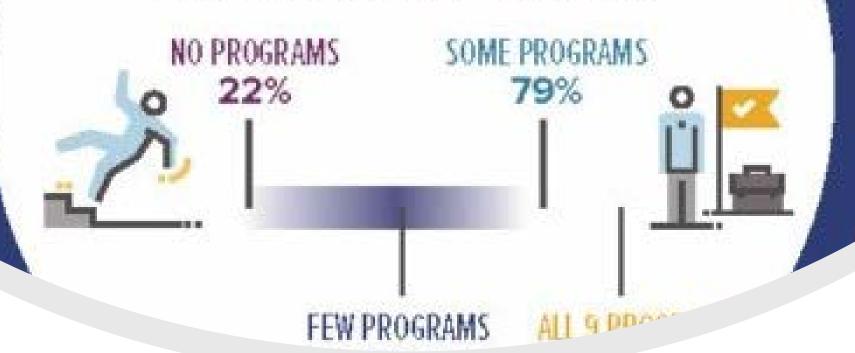
#### Assess Program Effectiveness

- •Measuring ethical performance
- •Audit Committee
- •Internal Auditing





Employees with more E&C programs feel better prepared to handle misconduct<sup>1</sup>









"Employees are picking employers that are aligned with them on impact, or personal values. People didn't used to talk about values. That said, today, values and purpose resonate very differently than compliance, or conduct."



Tamara Lundgren
Chairman, President and
Chief Executive Officer
Schnitzer Steel















# Psychological safety









## What Makes You Feel Safe to Speak up?

Think about people with whom you feel comfortable bringing up difficult issues or giving feedback

What characteristics do they have or what do they do to put you at ease?

Alternatively, think of a situation in which you felt comfortable raising issues or giving feedback

Where was that? Who were you with? What happened?

















## The Importance of Managers

Employees whose managers engage regularly with them about ethics and compliance are:

2x

more likely to be comfortable approaching their manager with concerns or questions

90%

More likely to have faith in the organization's commitment to non-retaliation

24%

more likely to believe they have a personal responsibility in making sure the company does the right thing

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# **Top Three Reasons Individuals Did Not Report Observed Misconduct**

46%

said they did not report misconduct because anonymous reporting was not available.



said they did not report misconduct because there was no designated person or office at their organization for them to contact.



said they did not report misconduct because they did not know who to contact.

\*Reference: 2016 Global Business Ethics Survey





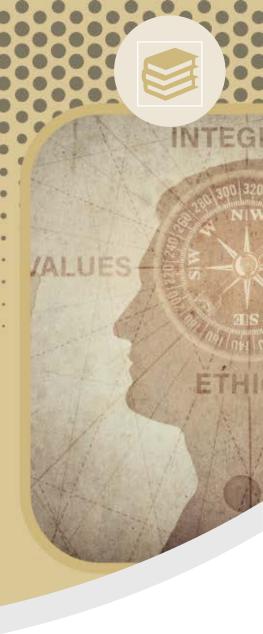
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SPECIAL TOPIC CLASS

# ETHICS & COMPLIANCE IN BUSINESS









# **Course Description**

The course focuses on preparing individuals to be ethical leaders in business with tools to create and sustain a high-quality ethics and compliance program.

Students will complete a professional association training for Elevating Ethics and Compliance that can lead to professional ethics and compliance certification.





















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