INFORMATION SECURITY TIPS

Email addresses, phone numbers, and other public information — including student majors and employee titles — are all available on University of Utah websites. This makes U students, faculty, and staff prime candidates for targeted attacks.

Good information security habits aren't just for geeks — they can keep your personal information safe, protect your devices from viruses, and prevent theft.

- » Use passwords that can't be easily guessed— and do not share them. Consider using a password manager.
- » Make backup copies of files or data you do not want to lose and store them securely in **UBox** or **OneDrive**.
- » Do not store sensitive information.
- » Beware of scams including social engineering, phishing, and impersonation.
- » Use only trusted, secure websites (https) and Wi-Fi networks like UConnect and ULink.
- » Do not install or download unknown or unsolicited programs or apps.

- » Protect your computer with **antivirus software**, security patches, and updates.
- » Be careful about what you share, install, and accept on social media. Do not click on suspicious links.



- » Shut down, lock, log off, or put your devices to sleep before leaving them unattended — and make sure they need a secure password to start up or wake up.
- » Secure your devices at all times lock them up or carry them with you.
- » Lock your windows, doors, drawers, etc., before leaving an area unattended. Never share an access code, card, or key.

REPORT A COMPUTER SECURITY INCIDENT

Report lost or missing university/personal computing equipment to the **University of Utah Department of Public Safety** (UUDPS). If the items were stolen off-campus, contact the local authorities.

- UUDPS can be reached at 911 (for emergencies) or 801-585-COPS (2677)
- A lost or stolen device also can be reported through an online <u>UUDPS form</u>.

You also can report a security incident to **iso@utah.edu** or soc@utah.edu, or call your respective central IT help desk: Main campus, 801-581-4000, option 1; University of Utah Health, 801-587-6000.



