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Greetings from your Information Systems and Technology Team!



This week's Cybersecurity Tips!

Cybercrimes are undoubtedly one of the fastest-growing global crimes and it continues to not only impact business but also universities. Follow these cyber security tips to protect valuable information from being disclosed to cyber criminals. Let's do our part to practice safe computing at UD.

Safe Computing Tip #1 – Be Careful on Social Media

Social Media is a great way to create new connections and stay in touch with friends and family. However, you must be mindful of what you are sharing online. Cybercriminals can learn a lot of information about you by simply observing your public profile. You wouldn't share your personal information with a complete stranger, so you shouldn't share your personal information all online.

Safe Computing Tip #2 – Avoid Unnecessary Downloads

There are many free online applications available online and some of them are harmless, but there are some downloads embedded with viruses, trojans and spyware. Hackers can use downloads as a primary method to gain access to a network. The UD I.T. Team has taken technical measures to secure our network, but we need you to do your part. Please limit your downloads and avoid any unnecessary software or browser extensions. If you have any questions or concerns regarding downloads, please contact the UD Technology Department.

Safe Computing Tip #3 – Enable Two – Factor Authentication

There are many platforms and applications created now that will allow you to enable two-factor authentication to keep your accounts more secure. Two-factor authentication is an extra security measure that requires a one-time code that can be sent to your smart phone or email and used in addition to your account credentials. If your password is compromised, the hacker won't gain access without knowledge of the second factor.