Information Security at Union

Information security in higher education is often looked at as an oxymoron. How can we foster an open teaching and learning environment while expecting members of the community to follow rigid and archaic rules that fly in the face of being open? It turns out that information security doesn't need to be as difficult or scary as it sounds. It's not about big brother policing everything we do, it's about our community working together to ensure a more stable environment for everyone. Information security is just a newer concept than physical security and so it seems more confusing. However, just as you wouldn't leave your door unlocked, your jewelry out in a common area or go speeding through campus too fast, you also shouldn't give out your password, leave grade spreadsheets out on printers or forget to keep your computer up-to-date with patches and virus scanning.

But, this a new area that many are unfamiliar with and ITS is here to help! This site will serve as a resource for anyone looking to learn more about security and privacy in the digital world. This site is just a starting point though! If you have questions beyond what is here and would like to know more, contact the ITS Help Desk at 518.388.6400 or email us at helpdesk@union.edu [1].

ITS Security Awareness Training

April 18, 2018 and April 19, 2018 Security Awareness Training: ITS and GreyCastle Security will be offering Security Awareness Training at the following times:

- 10:00 am - 11:00 am (Reamer Campus Auditorium)
- 12:50 pm - 1:45 pm (Reamer Campus Auditorium)
- 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm (Reamer Campus Auditorium)

Even if you have attended security awareness training in the past, please plan to attend this updated session. Please sign up below:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Qd0muLSzmXsZT-Isyx_AsoCGfLAWTcMVCKdIoIP... [2]

IT Security Awareness Training Feedback

GreyCastle security conducted several 1-hour long security awareness sessions. If you attended one of the sessions, please fill out the survey:

https://docs.google.com/a/union.edu/forms/d/1MiU_4Yw7IgVCjIGLbeNhYhakPd... [3]

ITS resources:

Information Security in the News:
- June 26, 2017 - IRS Warn of Summertime Scams [5]
- December 2, 2016 - Phishing What Consumers Need To Know [7]
- April 11, 2014 - The Good News About Heartbleed [8]
- October 23, 2013 - Professors Afforded Few Guarantees of Privacy in the Internet Age [9]
- July 16, 2013 - Universities Face a Rising Barrage of Cyberattacks [12]
- June 28, 2013 - The Injustices of Open Data [13]
- June 26, 2013 - Fact and Fiction in the NSA Surveillance Scandal [14]
- May 21, 2013 - Journalists Find Massive Data Security Lapse, Get Threats Instead of Thanks [15]
- May 2, 2013 - New Report Details Which Internet Companies You Can (and Can't) Trust With Your Personal Data [16]
- April 26, 2013 - Face-Off Over Warrantless Cellphone Tracking at House Judiciary Committee Hearing [17]
- April 26, 2013 - Cybercriminals Waste Little Time in Targeting Latest Java Flaws [18]
- April 23, 2013 - Would You Click the Link in This Email That Apparently Tricked the AP? [19]

Other Outside Resources:
- Computer Security Myths [20]
- Tips for Safer Computing [21]
- Hoaxes, Frauds & Scams [22]
- Security Glossary [23]
- Security Awareness Tip of the Day [24]

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[1] mailto:helpdesk@union.edu
[2] https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Qd0muLSzmXsZT-Lsyx_AsoCGfLAWTcMVCKdOtPPJF7w/edit
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