

Stay secure!

You are a **target**. Attackers attempt scams using several channels:



Email



Text/SMS



Phone

What methods do scammers use?

Scammers impersonate trusted groups such as:

- Schools
- Banks
- Doctors
- Government officials

To steal sensitive information and assets such as:

- Login credentials
- Bank information
- Personal or medical data
- Money

What are some red flags to spot a scam?



Unsolicited offers: You receive information about a job offer that requests to contact you at your personal email address.



Prepaying for items: You are asked to pay or prepay for equipment as part of a job or internship.



Financial requests: You are asked to cash a check/money order/gift card, keep a certain amount, and then transfer the rest to another account.

How else can I protect myself?

Get informed:

[vanderbilt.edu/
cybersecurity/
guidelines/phishing](http://vanderbilt.edu/cybersecurity/guidelines/phishing)

Report an incident:

[vanderbilt.edu/
cybersecurity](http://vanderbilt.edu/cybersecurity) and
click "Report Incident"

Get help from IT:

615-343-9999 or
help.it.vanderbilt.edu