OVERVIEW

- Thousands of times a day the UW’s computer system is attacked by hackers and hit by phishing scams.
- Over 3,700 UW NetIDs were compromised and disabled last year.
- The UW has used two-factor authentication (2FA) since the 1980s for some systems and is now expanding its usage. Starting in April 2017, UW-IT is rolling out 2FA to all faculty, staff, and student employees who sign in with a UW NetID to access systems protected by 2FA, including Workday.

Because 2FA mitigates the risk of stolen passwords, it’s an effective response to current threats to UW systems and data, including employee information managed in Workday.

In the future, many systems accessed by a UW NetID will take advantage of 2FA. It’s becoming the norm for doing business online.

IMPLEMENTATION

Starting in May 2017, required instructor-led training will be offered for certain Workday security roles. Duo will be required for this training as well as to access your new Workday employee self-service portal (coming this June). In order to be prepared, it is recommended that all UW employees enroll in Duo by May 31, 2017.

Enrollment in Duo started April 19 and can be completed online. To enroll, please visit the 2FA web page.

MORE INFORMATION

To learn more about 2FA, please visit the 2FA web page.

If you need help with 2FA, please contact the UW-IT’s helpdesk at help@uw.edu. All phishing messages received by UW email accounts should be forwarded to help@uw.edu.

To learn more about Workday, please visit myworkday.uw.edu.