How Do I ... ?
Walkthroughs for commonly asked questions
... Protect My Digital Privacy?

Be Wary of Phishing Attempts

Phishing emails attempt to obtain your private information (passwords, financial details, etc.) through deception.

UC Berkeley provides phishing-avoidance tips and information at: https://security.berkeley.edu/education-awareness/fight-phish

Disable and Revoke Account Access for Unused Extensions and Apps

If you aren't using it, don't give it ongoing access to your data! Revoke, disable, or disconnect it!

Change Your Passwords Frequently

Use varied, complex passwords and change them often - especially if one of your accounts is involved in a data breach. A reputable password manager like LastPass (currently free for Berkeley students and staff!) can help generate tough-to-crack passwords and keep track of them for you! More information at: https://software.berkeley.edu/lastpass-premium

Use 2-Step Authentication

Whenever possible, turn on extra account security by requiring a secondary authorization to log into your accounts. Examples include temporary one-time passcodes texted to your phone or emailed to you, or dedicated apps like Duo (used for CalNet 2-Step) or Authy.

Consider Using An Adblocker or Other Privacy-Related Extensions/Apps...

...But make sure you're using reputable tools!

The tools provided by the Electronic Frontier Foundation, such as Privacy Badger and Https Everywhere, are good options.

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