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SAFE COMPUTING

Subject: General Computing Practices

To: Computer Users

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- Always keep anti-virus on and up to date. (<http://go.middlebury.edu/sophos>)
- Stay Educated on Best Practices and current Threats. (<http://go.middlebury.edu/infosec>)



- Be aware of phishing attempts, technique and how to spot a phish. (<http://go.middlebury.edu/phish>)
- Ensure you enter credentials in a secure web site (https)
- Check the URL or address of a website to ensure you are at the right site and not a spoofed version.

- Verify your download sources. Ensure you are getting applications from the vendor and not a third party site such as Download.com. These sites often bundle in bad software.
- When installing software, read each screen to ensure you do not install toolbars or unwanted add-ons.

