

# Email: What to do when you receive a suspicious email

Students and employees are often targeted by phishing emails, which try to trick you in to clicking on links and entering in your passwords. Do not click on these links, and in fact avoid clicking on links in emails unless you know they are legitimate. Even if they look legitimate, you should be wary of clicking on links in emails. Doing so could take you to websites that ask you to enter your personal information and doing so could lead to identity theft or account hijacking. Such sites also may serve up viruses or malware that could infect your computer.

If you receive a suspicious email through your WSU email account, forward it to [abuse@wsu.edu](mailto:abuse@wsu.edu) as they will investigate the email and, if necessary, block bad links in those emails. You can also call our helpdesk at (360) 546-9770 or forward the email to us at [van.evita@wsu.edu](mailto:van.evita@wsu.edu) to see if we think it is legitimate.