

If you answered the phone...

1. Ask their name and phone number to call back. If they are legitimate, they should be able to give you the information.
DO NOT GIVE THEM YOUR INFORMATION.
2. Tell them you cannot talk to them further without checking if they are legitimate. Then, hang up.
3. Contact staff or your teacher.

Who to Report

- ◆ **Care and Conduct Coordinator** will help you to explore your options and to report to authorities.

Email: INTOOSU.CareandConduct@oregonstate.edu
Phone: 541-737-2409
Location: ILLC Welcome Desk

- ◆ **Office of International Services** can answer any immigration questions.

Email: OIS.Student@oregonstate.edu
Phone: 541-737-6310
Location: 130 University Plaza

- ◆ **OSU Public Safety** investigates your case and tries to find the suspect.

Phone: 541-737-3010
Location: 200 Cascade Hall

- ◆ **FBI** may be able to track down and disrupt scamming attempts if reported within 48 hours.

Phone: 202-324-3000
Website: ic3.gov

Other Resources

ASOSU Student Legal Services

You can meet with a lawyer at no cost. Please make an appointment.

Location: 340 SEC
Phone: 541-737-4165
Web: asosu.oregonstate.edu / asosu/legalservices

Recognizing and Reporting Scams

Learn more about scams.

<https://international.oregonstate.edu/crisis/scams>

Federal Trade Commission

Use the links and phone number below to report scams and learn more about how to protect your money and information.

- * ftc.gov/scams
- * ftc.gov/robocalls
- * ftc.gov/travelscams
- * ftc.gov/complaint

Phone: 1-877-382-4357



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Protect Yourself From Scams



Every year, thousands of people lose money to scams. Unfortunately, **scammers often target international students.** Read this carefully to learn how to protect yourself from scams.



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What is a “Scam”?

A scam is way to steal someone’s money or personal information from people by lying or illegally threatening them.

Common Scams



Phone Scams:

They claim to be calling from a government agency, such as IRS, FBI or USCIS (US Citizenship and Immigration Service).



Email Scams:

They send spam emails that normally ask you to click on a link. Hackers get your personal information or put software on your computer.



Dating scams:

They try to get some money by promising a fake romantic relationship.



Online purchase scams:

They pretend to sell a product but after payment, they steal your credit card information and they disappear. You never receive what you paid for.

SIGNS OF SCAMS

- ◆ The phone number looks like a **government agency or police.**
- ◆ They tell you that you owe **money** or have committed some kind of **fraud or criminal activities.**
- ◆ They make it sound like an **important or urgent matter** and **make you worry.**
- ◆ They show you an **arrest warrant** with your name.
- ◆ They demand to keep you on the phone and insist that you **cannot call back later.**
- ◆ They use lots of **legal words** such as “lawsuit,” “federal regulations,” and “visa compliance officer”.
- ◆ They tell you that **your family is in trouble.**
- ◆ They tell you that **the police in your home country** is involved.
- ◆ They **refuse** to give you their name or phone number to call back.
- ◆ They tell you that you **won a prize.**



WHAT TO DO

- ◆ **Do NOT answer** a phone call from a number you do not recognize.
- ◆ **Hang up the phone** if the message is a recorded one, even if it is in your native language.
- ◆ Do NOT give **your information** (i.e. Your name, address, passport number, bank account, social security number)
- ◆ Do NOT say “**yes**” or “**no**” when they ask you to confirm your information. That’s a trick.
- ◆ **Do NOT accept** a check and take money from someone you never met, even if it has your name.

REMEMBER

- ◆ Government agencies will **NEVER** ask you to pay money by phone or via email.
- ◆ Government agencies and law enforcement will **NEVER** ask you to hide yourself and cut off all contacts with your family or school.

Learn more about scams by scanning the QR code and watching the video.

Questions? Contact the Care and Conduct Coordinator.

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