

Multi-Factor Authentication Overview (MFA)

What It Is

Multi-Factor Authentication (**MFA**) adds a second layer of security to your online accounts. Verifying your identity using a second factor (like your phone or other mobile device) prevents anyone but you from logging in, even if they know your password.

How It Works



1. Enter username and password as usual
2. Use your phone to verify your identity
3. Securely logged in



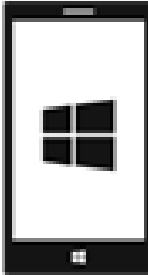


Why Do I Need This?

Passwords are increasingly easy to compromise. They can often be stolen, guessed, or hacked — you might not even know someone is accessing your account.

MFA adds a second layer of security, keeping your account secure even if your password is compromised. With Duo Push, you'll be alerted right away (on your phone) if someone is trying to log in as you.

This second factor of authentication is separate and independent from your username and password — **the MFA service never sees your password.**

Supported Devices

				
iPhone & iPad	Android	Windows Phone	Cellphone	Lar

MFA at Fairfield U



The MFA service at Fairfield U is being provided by Duo Security, a leading provider of Multi-Factor Authentication services in the US and around the world.

Read Next [Enrolling in and Activating Multi-Factor Authentication \(MFA\)](#)

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