

# Rutgers Tech Matters

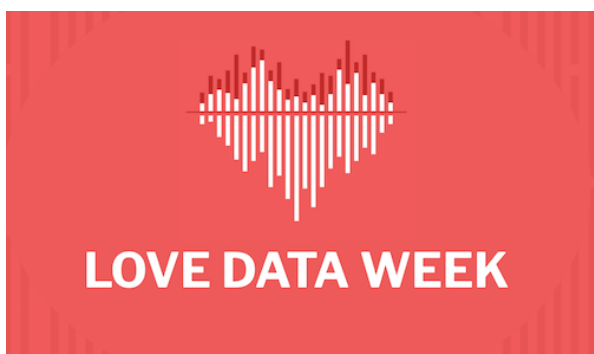


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## Holiday vibes, not cyber scams

Don't let cyber criminals spoil your holiday. Instead, check out these [quick tips](#) and [this infographic](#) to stay cybersafe this holiday season.

## Enter the Data Viz Championship



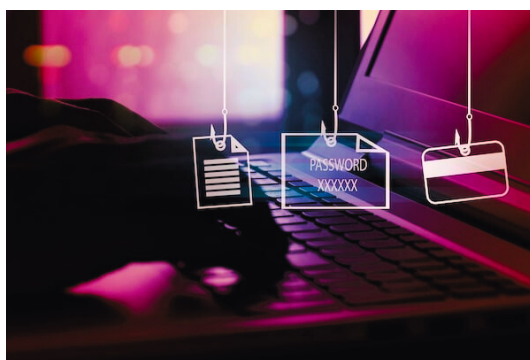
Create a data visualization for Love Data Week (Feb. 9–13, 2026) and showcase your work for a chance to represent Rutgers in this Big Ten Academic Alliance event. Learn more about [how to participate in the Data Viz Championship](#).

## Need tech help fast? Try live chat!

The OIT Help Desk offers a live chat feature on the [Rutgers IT Help portal](#)—providing real-time tech support in addition to phone, email, and walk-in options. [Learn more](#) and feel free to share your experience with others.

## Catch the phish before it catches you

Hackers want your information to get access to university systems. Don't take the bait. Review these [five tips and stay ahead of phishing scams](#).



## Learning about tech outages with IT alerts

[Visit the Alerts webpage at it.rutgers.edu](#) for up-to-date information on system maintenance, downtime, and outages for major Rutgers technology systems.

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