

# How to make the most of cloud security

It's clear that higher education is moving to the cloud, but not all institutions realize how this can benefit their information security.

Here are three ways to get up to speed:

- 1 **Understand that it's not about where the data lives, but how it's controlled.**  
On-premises data storage may feel secure, but in reality, those server rooms are prone to breaches. Cloud vendors can store data behind best-in-class security, backed up in multiple locations, and supported by multi-site processing capabilities to ease recovery and decrease risk.
- 2 **Embrace the shared responsibility model.**  
Partner with a reputable vendor who can take responsibility for securing and managing the physical infrastructure storing your data. This frees your IT staff to focus on how data is governed and used strategically across the institution, enabling better decision-making and tighter internal security practices.
- 3 **Take advantage of the security benefits inherent to cloud.**  
These tools include state-of-the-art encryption, multifactor authentication, and other methods of managing identity and access at scale to ensure your data is secure.

The cloud represents a seismic shift in the way we use technology to manage the flow, use, sharing, and protection of data across higher education.

Questions, concerns, and a measured pace of adoption are to be expected, but more and more institutions are discovering how the cloud's infrastructure and toolset equip them to ensure their data is secure.

Learn more about how the cloud **equips your institution for success.**



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