

# Two-Factor Authentication Setup and Use Guide

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Designed to protect your online identity and sensitive information, two-factor authentication (2FA) is a security method that requires users to prove in multiple ways that they are authorized to access online accounts and resources.

You will be prompted to set up your verification method *only after* VSU Information Technology has enrolled your VSU accounts into the 2FA system.

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# Set Up 2FA with MS Authenticator App

The Microsoft Authenticator Mobile App is the recommended and easiest method.

**Complete setup using two devices:** a mobile device (i.e., smartphone/tablet) and a secondary device (i.e., desktop computer/laptop). Instructions and screenshots may vary depending on the device and platform you use.

#### Install the App

On your mobile device:

Install **Microsoft Authenticator App** for <u>Android</u>, <u>IOS</u>, or <u>Windows</u>.

#### Select Contact Method

On your computer/laptop:

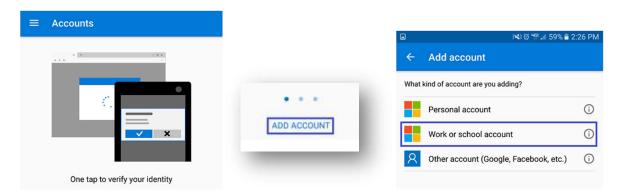
- 1. Log in to MyVSU using your VSU email address and password > click SIGN IN.
- 2. Select **Mobile app** when asked: "How should we contact you?"



#### Add Account

Direct back to your mobile device; open authentication app

1. Open the app and click ADD ACCOUNT (+) link. Select Work or school account.

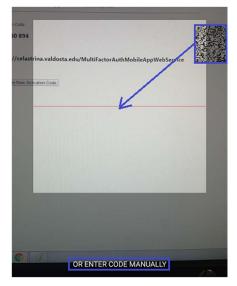


#### Activate the App

Scan or manually enter the QR code displayed on your computer using your mobile device.

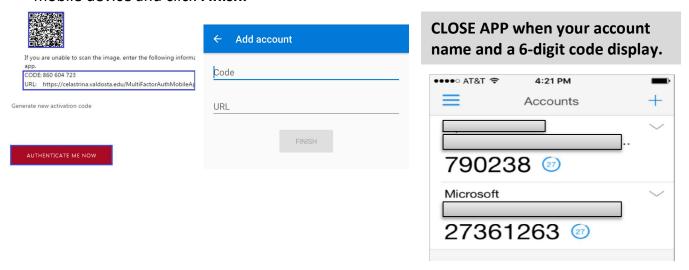
#### **Option 1 - Scan QR Code**

- 1. If applicable, press the **Scan Barcode** icon to launch mobile device camera.
- 2. Click the **Authenticate Me Now** button and scan the QR code by moving your phone until the QR code is centered and the app is activated.
- 3. Press **Done** to close the QR code screen.



#### Option 2 - Manually Enter Code

1. Click the **Enter Code Manually** link and enter the provided Code and URL using your mobile device and click **Finish**.



#### **Establish 4 Security Questions**

On your computer/laptop:

Select **Question** from the drop-down menu. Type response in the associated **Answer** field. Click **Continue**.



#### Initial set-up is complete.

After the initial setup, you should not need to open the MS Authenticator app or make changes to it unless your device settings changed or updates occurred.

# Use MS Authenticator App to Log In

- 1. At the MyVSU, OneUSG, or Georgia FIRST login screen, enter your username and password. Click **SIGN IN**
- 2. Select **Send notification to my mobile app** when asked: "How do you want us to verify your account?"

Welcome VSU\janbrady

For security reasons, we require additional information to verify your account

How do you want us to verify your account?

Send notification to my mobile app

3. Select **Approve** (or Deny) when the notification appears on your mobile phone/device. *The app does not have to be open on your device to receive notification. Power Save and other device settings may interfere with notification prompt.* 

#### Success! You're a 2FA Rock Star

# Set Up 2FA using Alternate Method

If you cannot or do not want to use MS Authenticator App, select to use **Phone Call** or **Text Message** as your preferred contact method:

- 1. Log in to MyVSU
- 2. Select Phone Call or Text Message when asked: "How should we contact you?"
- 3. Select your **country and enter a phone number**. You will be contacted by Microsoft to continue the setup process.
- 4. **Establish four (4) security questions:** Use the drop-down menu to select **Question.** Type response into the associated **Answer** field. Click **Continue**.

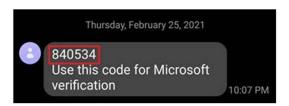
## **Use Alternate Method to Log In**

- 1. At the MyVSU, OneUSG, or Georgia FIRST login screen, enter your username and password and click **SIGN IN**
- 2. Select Call me at or Text me at when asked: "How do you want us to verify your account?"

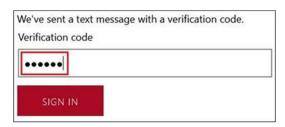
How do you want us to verify your account?



- Call me Receive an automated call from Microsoft. When prompted, enter your PIN and press the pound (#) key using your phone keypad.
- Text me -
- **1**.) Log in to MyVSU and select "Text Me". You will still receive a text message with a verification code.



2.) On the MyVSU login screen, enter the verification code and click "Sign In".



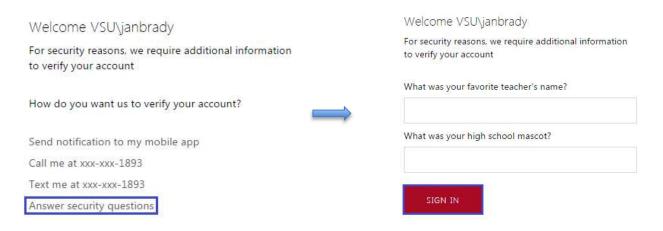
# **Use Security Questions to Log In**

If you do not have access to a cell/landline phone or cannot use the other methods to log in:

- 1. Select one of the listed contact methods: Mobile app, Call me, or Text me
- 2. **Wait 60 seconds** for the selected method to fail due to no response: "We didn't receive the expected response. Please try again with a different verification option."

# Select Use a different verification option. We didn't receive the expected response. Please try again with a different verification option. View details Use a different verification option

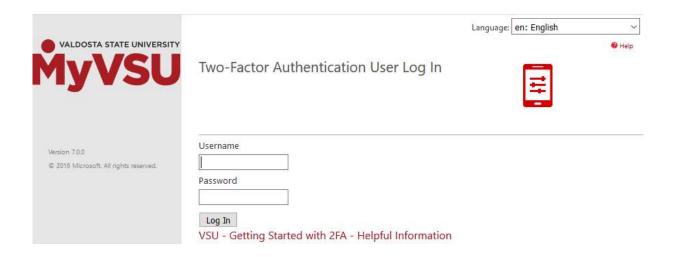
3. Select **Answer security questions** when asked: "How do you want us to verify your account?" Correctly **answer** two security questions > click **SIGN IN**.



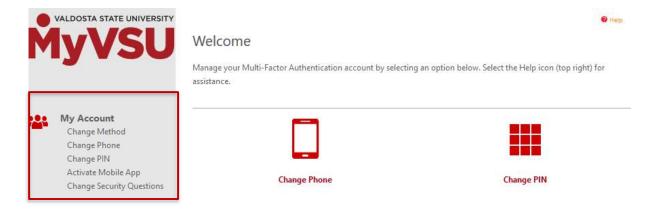
## **Modify 2FA Settings**

You can change your 2FA contact methods and information as often as needed.

1. Sign in to the 2FA Management Portal at **2fa.valdosta.edu** using your MyVSU login. **Authenticate log in using your current method (mobile app, phone call, or text).** 



- 2. Select the account setting you would like to modify:
  - Change Method
  - Change Phone
  - Change PIN
  - Activate Mobile App
  - Change Security Questions



- 3. Follow steps related to the selected setting:
- Change Method Select a Contact Method. Click Save.
  - Phone Call Receive a call from Microsoft to enter your PIN and press the pound
     (#) key on your phone.

- Text Message Receive a text from Microsoft with a verification code. Reply to the message from your cell phone with the same verification code.
- o **Mobile App** Receive an 'Approve or Deny' notification on your mobile device.
- Change Phone Select Country. Enter New Phone Number. Click Save.

**TIP:** Although a previous phone number cannot be removed, if your phone is lost or stolen, you can change the number listed to a fake phone number (555-555-555) in order to de-activate your old phone until a new phone can be acquired.

- Change PIN Enter New PIN. Confirm PIN. Click Save. The PIN must be at least 4 digits.
- Activate Mobile App Click the **Generate Activation Code** button to display information to quickly activate Microsoft Authenticator on your device. Alternatively, click the **Deactivate** link to deactivate the Microsoft Authenticator mobile app on that device.
- Change Security Questions Select from a list of questions. Type your answers. Click Save.