

Is uchicago.edu legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 100/100

uchicago.edu

Verdict

100

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

uchicago.edu appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-13 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 55%.

What this site appears to be

Official University of Chicago site content: navigation for Who We Are, Academics, Research, Admissions, campus life, news and events, and contact details. Includes address, event listings, and institutional statements.

Evidence status and limitations

Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN

- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
- Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	35 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Never archived No public history of this site	WATCH
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by GeoTrust TLS RSA CA G1	NOTED

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.
- The operator behind the site could not be independently connected to a real-world brand or person.

Full analysis

Overview

The website presents itself as the University of Chicago's institutional web presence, providing information about the university's identity, academics, research, admissions, campus life, news, events, careers, and contact resources. Its apparent purpose is public-facing education and institutional communication rather than direct online financial activity.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed. The site's content is internally consistent with an academic institution, and the available evidence shows no phishing, brand-impersonation, malicious-content, or suspicious financial-solicitation indicators. The apparent institutional identity is supported by substantial site content and a long-established domain, although the real-world operator has not been independently verified.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage identifies "The University of Chicago" and provides structured sections for academics, research, admissions, campus life, news, events, careers, and institutional contact.
- Page inspection found no login form, hidden sensitive form, wallet-connection activity, or detected brand-impersonation behavior.
- The domain was registered on 1991-11-22 and is approximately 34.75 years old.
- External reputation checks recorded 0 malicious detections, 0 suspicious detections, and no blacklist or phishing match; the site's traffic rank was 1878.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The site presents an institutional identity through its university-focused navigation and references to leadership, administration, academic divisions, and contact resources. No financial or regulatory license number is claimed in the supplied content; for the informational education model described, that is a limited disclosure consideration rather than evidence of misconduct. The apparent identity is therefore evidence-consistent but not independently verified, and the available third-party broker context produced no match.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage navigation includes “Who We Are,” “UChicago Leadership,” “University Administration,” “Contact Us,” and “Directory.”
- The site is served through AS8075, identified as Microsoft Corporation, US.
- Transport encryption uses a GeoTrust TLS RSA CA G1 certificate with DV validation, valid through 2026-10-23.
- The site’s content model is institutional education, covering academics, research, admissions, events, and contact resources rather than a regulated financial service.

What to Verify Next

Before credential or payment interactions, an independent institutional source should be used to confirm that the relevant page and contact route belong to the University of Chicago. Any later transaction or admissions-payment flow should be checked for the correct merchant identity, applicable policies, and payment-protection options before information or funds are submitted.

EVIDENCE

- The site provides “Contact Us” and “Directory” routes in its primary navigation.
- The inspected homepage contains no sensitive submission form or untrusted form destination.
- The described page is informational and does not present a direct online transaction workflow.

Summary Verdict

The overall posture is high trust and low risk, with the available evidence consistent with an established, apparently legitimate university website. No scam, phishing, impersonation, or other contradicting signal was identified, while independent confirmation of the real-world operator remains outstanding.

Infrastructure Integrity

The website is protected by AWS CDN/WAF infrastructure, with observed traffic associated with AS14618 and edge IP address 3.215.148.80; the origin server was not observable in this analysis. This arrangement is a reasonable exposure-mitigation measure, but it is treated as supporting infrastructure rather than proof of legitimacy.

Closing Assessment

Routine informational use is proportionate to the evidence; independent institutional and payment-protection checks should precede any submission of credentials or funds.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-13 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status

UNVERIFIED

Identity score	55/100
Identity verification confidence	60%

- Identity verified on page

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of uchicago.edu.

- The request stayed on uchicago.edu. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- The registration is paid up to 2027-07-31. NOTED
- It is hosted on MICROSOFT-CORP-MSN-AS-BLOCK, from a server in US. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Not available
Hosting	MICROSOFT-CORP-MSN-AS-BLOCK - Microsoft Corporation, US
Country	US
Server IP	2603:1061:14:170::1
Name servers	Not available
SSL issuer	GeoTrust TLS RSA CA G1
SSL expiry	2026-10-23
Domain age	34.75 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	2027-07-31
Archive first seen	Not available
Archive snapshots	0
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about uchicago.edu at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.