

CUNY Academic Commons - Feature #10354

Opt out of Having a Profile Page

2018-09-19 03:12 PM - scott voth

Status:	New	Start date:	2018-09-19
Priority name:	Normal	Due date:	
Assignee:	Chris Stein	% Done:	0%
Category name:	Public Portfolio	Estimated time:	0.00 hour
Target version:	Future release		
Description			
Do we want to consider an option on the user profile settings that would totally hide a member profile? Some students or non-active members may not like that Google searches retrieve CAC profiles, but may want to remain members.			

History

#1 - 2018-09-19 03:51 PM - Boone Gorges

- Assignee set to Chris Stein

Scott, did this come in as a user request/suggestion?

I think it's worth discussing this as a group, as it quickly cuts to ideas about the purpose of the Commons.

#2 - 2018-09-19 05:18 PM - scott voth

Yes I saw that Tim Wilson (who managed a great French site until he left) is asking for his profile landing page to be removed. Perhaps there could be a redirection to a site (on the Commons or off) that better represents the member.

#3 - 2018-10-23 11:35 AM - Boone Gorges

- Category name changed from Membership to Public Portfolio

- Target version set to Future release

Added Sonja as a watcher. We need to settle some conceptual questions about what it means to be a Commons member etc before we can start thinking too concretely about UX strategies for profile visibility.

#4 - 2020-05-11 06:43 PM - Raymond Hoh

- File mockup.png added

I'd like to tackle this one.

We can add a setting under a user's "Settings > General" or "Settings > Profile Visibility" page.

If the user sets their profile page to private, what should be displayed when a user tries to access a private profile?

The Commons is different than a typical BuddyPress install as a Commons user also has a "Public Portfolio" page, which is the default landing page. Perhaps we can show the header and the rest of the page blank with a message? See attached mockup.

Also could friends view a profile page that is private? We should probably restrict the "Activity > Friends" page to the logged-in user as well, but as Boone mentioned we should probably define what it means to be Commons user first.

#5 - 2020-05-12 10:43 AM - Boone Gorges

Thanks for having a first look at this, Ray.

It might be helpful to break out the various ways in which the "private" request might be fleshed out:

1. I don't want anyone at all to know that I have a Commons account.
2. I want my Commons account to be totally anonymous.
3. I want my Commons account to be hidden from non-members and/or non-friends.
4. I don't want the Activity, Groups, etc tabs of my profile to be visible (to anyone, to non-friends, etc)
5. I don't want to have a Public Portfolio.
6. I don't want to appear in the Members directory or in search.
7. I don't want to appear in the member listing of groups where I'm a member.

All these are legitimate requests, and some of them are related to each other, but we would have a hard time building a system that accommodates them all equally. I think it would behoove us to sketch out priorities. For example, Ray's mockup (if implemented by itself) would address 4 and 5; we could also couple it with 6 for some sense of 'anonymous'. But it doesn't fully hide one's landing page. To do **this** we would need to have some redirect logic, and we'd also need to stop showing links throughout the Commons where the user name appears, and so forth. And there are certain kinds of "hiding" that probably aren't compatible with the way the Commons works - if you write content on a site, it's hard (and arguably a bad thing) to hide the byline; if we hide you from group membership rolls, it's hard for group admins to manage the group; etc.

Files

mockup.png	125 KB	2020-05-11	Raymond Hoh
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