

## CUNY Academic Commons - Feature #2135

### Creating a Blog, Creating a Group

2012-09-21 02:20 AM - Matt Gold

<b>Status:</b>	Resolved	<b>Start date:</b>	2012-09-21
<b>Priority name:</b>	Normal	<b>Due date:</b>	
<b>Assignee:</b>	Chris Stein	<b>% Done:</b>	0%
<b>Category name:</b>	Group Blogs	<b>Estimated time:</b>	2.00 hours
<b>Target version:</b>	1.6		
<b>Description</b>			
<p>The process one needs to go through to create a blog or group isn't intuitive. Unless I'm missing something, one has to go to Groups to find "Create Group." Not only is the "Create Group" button not prominent, but you also don't see a similar button if you go to "My Groups."</p> <p>Creating a group/blog also doesn't appear to be an option on the site on the bp admin bar (sorry, can't remember it's real name now)</p> <p>Chris, do you have thoughts about how we might improve this process?</p>			

#### History

##### #1 - 2012-09-25 10:08 AM - Chris Stein

I'll look into this Matt and get back to you. My first thought is that it might be in a couple of stages. One would be to make sure we're consistent with the create group button and offer it in logical places. The other is that long-term this should get worked into the landing page for logged in members so they can easily create groups or blogs from there.

##### #2 - 2012-09-25 10:15 AM - Matt Gold

Great -- thanks, Chris - and good ideas.

##### #3 - 2013-08-20 10:24 AM - Boone Gorges

- Target version changed from 1.5 to 1.6

Moving this to 1.6 for more discussion.

##### #4 - 2014-02-05 11:11 AM - Boone Gorges

- Category name changed from BuddyPress (misc) to Group Blogs

##### #5 - 2014-03-27 12:15 PM - Chris Stein

- File AddCreateGroupLinkToMyGroups-6.png added

- File Move-CreateGroupButton-6.png added

- Status changed from Assigned to Reporter Feedback

There are options to create groups and blogs from the admin bar.

As for the Groups and Blogs pages, perhaps we could move the button down so it's in the blank space just before the list of groups or blogs? See MoveCreateGroup PNG.

The only other thing I could suggest to make it more prominent would be to add color but I'm hesitant to recommend that since we don't really have a color system for that.

If that change is OK Boone, in case it helps, I just moved the button link to inside of the #subnav div and then styled it with something like.

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#subnav > a {  
float: left;  
margin-left: 20px;  
}
```

In terms of adding something to the My Groups and My Sites pages, I think that adding a text link is consistent with how we do things like add new message on these kinds of pages. Screenshot attached for adding link on these two pages.

##### #6 - 2014-03-27 03:10 PM - Boone Gorges

- Estimated time set to 2.00 h

Thanks, Chris. Neither of these changes is trivial to make, unfortunately. Let's keep this ticket in the milestone and see if I have the time to figure them out.

**#7 - 2014-03-28 06:39 PM - Matt Gold**

Great, at least, that the WordPress Bar at the top now allows the creation of a group or blog.

**#8 - 2014-03-29 12:16 AM - Chris Stein**

- Status changed from Reporter Feedback to Assigned

Boone, moving the ball to your court, let me know if you need anything else.

**#9 - 2014-03-29 12:36 AM - Chris Stein**

- Assignee changed from Chris Stein to Boone Gorges

didn't change assignee

**#10 - 2014-03-29 02:37 PM - Boone Gorges**

- Tracker changed from Support to Feature

- Status changed from Assigned to Testing Required

Create a Group subnav added to member Groups nav in <https://github.com/castiron/cac/commit/9534ac43ea51ee8e824035a89237bba240f43900>

Create a Group button moved below page nav in <https://github.com/castiron/cac/commit/258b4ff9a82c743e9f2c6e7b43fab90b4538f7bc>

Ready to test on cdev.

**#11 - 2014-03-31 05:55 PM - Boone Gorges**

- Assignee changed from Boone Gorges to Chris Stein

**#12 - 2014-03-31 10:50 PM - Matt Gold**

Thanks, Boone. Just tested. A few thoughts:

Create a group button: this placement is great -- much better. When I clicked on the "create group" button, though, it didn't seem to work. The button changed to a bigger size in the on-click state, and I saw a spinning wheel, but then the button reverted back to its former size and nothing happened.

I think we should move the "Create a Site" button to a comparable place on the blogs page . . . thoughts? separate ticket needed?

**#13 - 2014-04-01 09:22 AM - Boone Gorges**

- Status changed from Testing Required to Resolved

When I clicked on the "create group" button, though, it didn't seem to work. The button changed to a bigger size in the on-click state, and I saw a spinning wheel, but then the button reverted back to its former size and nothing happened.

Fixed in <https://github.com/castiron/cac/commit/fe5f308f0bb2b7be92210e0cf41a681aa3ce2c>

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Fixed in <https://github.com/castiron/cac/commit/762fcdab3428a77f2ae84c3bbd483bc9b117f6d5>

I don't recommend testing these items on cdev at the moment - I'm repopulating it with updated data, so it's not entirely reliable. Marking resolved.

**#14 - 2014-04-01 09:36 AM - Matt Gold**

Great - thanks, Boone.

**#15 - 2014-04-01 11:40 AM - Chris Stein**

These changes look good to me overall.

I didn't see the Create Site button in the new location (like Create Group), but maybe that's due to your updates in progress?

**#16 - 2014-04-01 11:59 AM - Boone Gorges**

Chris - I messed up a commit. It's fixed now. Thanks for letting me know.

**Files**

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AddCreateGroupLinkToMyGroups-6.png	69.4 KB	2014-03-27	Chris Stein
Move-CreateGroupButton-6.png	35.6 KB	2014-03-27	Chris Stein