Setting up the Wordpress Stud.IP Plugin

Here we provide some basic instructions to configure your Wordpress Blogs in your course using the Wordpress Stud.IP plugin.

First, you need to activate the plugin Wordpress Connector under the tab “Mehr...” in your course in Stud.IP.

Now you have a new Tab in your course with the label „Wordpress“ and you will be able to access the configuration page (Einrichtung) for the Wordpress Blogs.

Einrichtung

There are the following possibilities of Blogs creation:

1. **Hauptblog**: A Seminar Blog, the main blog of the course. By default, only the teacher/s can edit inside this blog and the students are able to read and add comments but not new content. If the students should be able to work in the Seminar Blog, you should click on the icon that switches between “vernetzt / nicht vernetzen” next to the blog to activate it (it changes to green).

2. **Lehrende/TutorInnen/Studierende**: These are individual blogs for each role in the course. You can choose whether you want to create individual blogs for specific teachers, tutors or students or for all of them, by checking the corresponding check boxes.

3. **Gruppen**: This allows creating group blogs. It requires the creation of the groups by assigning the participants in them within the tab „Teilnehmende“ > “Gruppen”.
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For each blog, it is possible to activate the “Vernetzen” option to make all the participants of the course able to access and work in the other blogs by adding posts and pages (click on the icon that switches between “vernetzt / nicht vernetzen”). After the creation of the blogs, this option can not be changed.

On the other hand, the access to the blogs will be restricted to the participants of the course by default, but if you prefer them publicly open, you can click on the closed eye next to the blog. That will activate its public access. You can change this option any time after the creation of the blogs from the Übersicht page. In the case, the access for a blog is closed (eye closed) and someone types the URL on his/her web browser, the link will redirect him/her to the authentication page of the university.

Once the blogs are created, they can not be generated again unless they are deleted before in the Übersicht page. You can see in grey and with a tick which Blogs you have already created.

After the creation of the blogs, you can see the list of all of them when accessing the tab Wordpress in the course > Übersicht:
- the name of the Blog under the column “Blog”,
- the type of Blog under the column “Typ”,
- when the last update was under the column “Letzter Beitrag”,
- the number of posts/the number of comments under the column #.

You can also change the privacy settings of all of them or just some of them by clicking on the eye to open it in the right side of the title of the Blog, next to the # column. This option can also be changed selecting the check boxes for the blogs you want to modify the privacy and then pressing the button “Unsichtbar schalten”.

You can delete the Blogs created any time by selecting them and pressing the button “Löschen” or clicking on the paper bin next to the eye, next to the # column.

As a teacher, you can create blogs for the new students coming later to the course anytime. They also will have automatically access to the main blog (Seminar Blog) and/or their group blog (if corresponding) when they click on it in the list of Blogs.