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User profiles

Every user has a profile page which may be reached from the user menu top right and then clicking Profile. This page contains links to further pages allowing the user to edit their profile information and preferences, view their forum/blog posts, and check any reports they have access to.

The Privacy and policies section provides links for contacting the Privacy officer, requesting data export and account deletion (new in 3.6), along with a data retention summary page (new in 3.6) (unless disabled by the administrator).

The screenshot shows a Moodle user profile for Mark Ellis. The page is divided into several sections:

- User details:** Includes email address (markellis267@example.com), country (Australia), and city/town (Orange City). There is an "Edit profile" link.
- Course details:** Lists course profiles such as "Vegetarian cooking", "Healthy Living", "Digital Literacy", "Résumé Writing", and "Oceans for All".
- Miscellaneous:** Contains links for "Blog entries", "Forum posts", "Forum discussions", and "Learning plans".
- Badges:** Shows two badges: "Sept 2018 Cohort" (a yellow flower) and "Profile Picture Badge" (a black cat).
- Privacy and policies:** Includes links for "Contact the privacy officer", "Data requests", "Export all of my personal data", "Delete my account", "Data retention summary", and "Policies and agreements".
- Login activity:** Shows "First access to site" (Wednesday, 1 September 2010, 1:48 PM) and "Last access to site" (Monday, 14 May 2018, 5:12 PM).
- Mobile app:** Shows "Mobile app connected".

A red arrow points to the "Full profile" link in the Miscellaneous section.

Example of a user's Profile page. Click to view full size.

If mobile access is enabled, a link to download the Moodle Mobile app is visible on the profile. (See screenshot above.)

Viewing others's profiles

Users with permission to view the profiles of other users can view them by clicking on their name. If they click on the name of a user within a course, the course profile will be displayed and the full profile may be viewed (if allowed) by clicking the link "Full profile" in the Miscellaneous section:

The screenshot shows the "Miscellaneous" section of a Moodle profile page. It contains a list of links:

- Full profile
- View all blog entries
- Notes
- Forum posts
- Forum discussions

Note: All users are allowed to view the full profile of users listed as course contacts in the course description.

See View profile for more information on how the profile information is displayed and Edit profile for information on updating profiles.

Site administration settings

Site policies

An administrator can force users to login for profiles and select which roles are visible in user profiles (by default teacher, non-editing teacher and student) in *Administration > Site administration > Security > Site policies*.

Default profile page

An administrator or manager (or any other user with the capability moodle/user:managesyspages) can add additional blocks onto the default profile page for all users from *Administration > Site administration > Appearance > Default profile page*. Blocks can be added to the left, right or middle of the page.

Note that this does NOT allow you to remove the following blocks, or to change the layout/order of these blocks:

- User details
- Privacy and policies
- Course Details
- Miscellaneous
- Reports
- Login activity
- Mobile app (only displays if *Mobile_web_services* are configured)

These are all 'fake' blocks and cannot be removed through the normal blocks administration interface.

Clicking the button 'Reset profile for all users' will then apply these settings to the profile pages of everyone on the site.

Preventing users from customizing their profile page

By default, users can customize their public profile page and add blocks. To prevent this

1. Go to *Administration > Site administration > Users > Permissions > Define roles*
2. Edit the authenticated user role and untick the capability moodle/user:manageownblocks

User profile capabilities

System:

- Edit own user profile
- Manage blocks on own public user profile
- Configure default page layout for public user profiles
- Update user profiles

Users:

- Edit user profile
- Manage blocks on user profile of other users
- View user full information

Course:

- View user profiles

See also

- View profile
- Activity report
- User profile fields
- Site policies
- Update profile

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