

South Carolina Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office

Drupal Administration & Advanced Users

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Blocks

- Blocks are boxes of content rendered into an area, or region, of a web page (such as "User Login") that can be displayed in regions (such as footer or sidebar) on your page.
- This functionality is provided by the **Block module**, which is a part of Drupal 8 core.
- Drupal 8 also introduces another module apart from Block that allows the creation of custom blocks through the user interface and it is "
 Custom Block" module.



Views

- A view is a listing of content on a website. The core
 Views module handles the display of views, and the core Views UI module
 allows you to create and
 edit them in the
 administrative interface.
- When you define views, you are interested in taking data from your website and displaying it to the user.
- Views pages essentially look for content that is maintained elsewhere.



Webforms

- Webform is the module for making forms and surveys in Drupal.
- After a submission, customizable e-mails can be sent to administrators and/or submitters.
- Results can be exported into
 Excel or other spreadsheet applications.
- Webform also provides some basic statistical review and has an extensive API for expanding its features.





Taxonomy

- Taxonomy, a core module, gives your sites use of the organizational keywords known in other systems as categories, tags, or metadata. It allows you to connect, relate and classify your website's content. In Drupal, these terms are gathered within "vocabularies". The Taxonomy module allows you to create, manage and apply those vocabularies.
- 2. Drupal 8 has the **ability to add taxonomy fields to vocabularies and terms**.
- 3. Taxonomy can be used in workflow, to customize defined sections of your website with different themes or to display specific content based on taxonomy terms. Although taxonomy can be used in various ways, probably the **most important use of taxonomy in Drupal is to relate content**.
- 4. Taxonomy should be driven by the business requirements of your website, with an eye towards possible future functional expansion.





Taxonomy - Vocabulary vs Terms

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How to Use a Taxonomy

Taxonomies can have a wide range of purposes. There will need to be some planning before you can start updating a vocabulary in Drupal. Here are a few ways to get you started:

1. Identifying shareable content on the site:

A taxonomy can direct users to find documents and content that is shared on the website. For example, providing forms and sheets for download can be guided with the right words or phrases such as using a vocabulary like "Downloads."

2. Setting other physical locations of businesses:

Some websites are used to govern over several physical locations of one business. A taxonomy can be developed to include state, city or even country locales. This is helpful when differentiating specific local information such as blogs and community events. As every location will be different, each will have its own section of the primary website.





Users, Roles & Permissions

- 1. Drupal has a powerful built-in permissions system that lets you customize what a user can and cannot do on your site. You have great flexibility to choose who can do what. This is primarily managed in two steps: **permissions for roles** and **user assignment to roles**.
- 2. Drupal is built around serving different content for different people. On your site all **external visitors** are **anonymous users**, and you'll see you have a role called 'anonymous users' that can be edited. And for the most part, users who use a login in to access your site will be there to edit content.
- 3. You may also have users who log in specifically to publish content prepared by someone else or to administer some aspect of the site. You first define the roles, then apply permissions to the roles, and then assign users to the roles.
- 4. Not everyone should see and have access to the same tools that a systems administrator has, so some thought should go into what the roles are, what permissions each role has, and then which role(s) each user is assigned to.



5. **Users can have multiple roles** - a person will always have access to the highest permission level assigned their roles allow for.



Users, Roles & Permissions

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Search



- For site administrators, it is a great alternative to other search solutions, since it already incorporates facetting support and the ability to use the Views module for displaying search results, filters, etc.
- With the Apache Solr integration, a high performance search engine is available for this module.

Search API 🏠

Home » Administration » Configuration » Search and metadata » Search API

 ✓ The Solr server could be reached. Schema on server solr contains all required language-specific fields. Solarium 5.1.4 is installed.
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Below is a list of indexes grouped by the server they are associated with. A server is the definition of the actual indexing, querying and storage engine (for example, an Apache Solr server, the database,). An index defines the indexed content (for example, all content and all comments on "Article" posts).

The default Drupal core Search module is still enabled. If you are using Search API, you probably want to uninstall the Search module for performance reasons. For more information see the Search API handbookd .

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Reports

- Built in to Drupal are many useful site reports that will help you keep track of the pulse of your site.
- **Custom reports** can also be created by a Drupal developer (like GWW) to meet specific needs.





Topics & Topic Types

- Topics are a helpful way of organizing content into groupings. Topics are organized into topic types.
 For example, BEA is a **Topic** and Board and Committees is the **Topic Type** it is associated with.
- To create a topic:
 - 1. Click "Add Topic"
 - 2. Select Topic Type
 - 3. Enter Topic Name &



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Topics & Pages

- Individual pages can be organized by Topics. For example, Education Funding Analysis is a **Page** and Education is the **Topic** it belongs to.
- To add a page to a topic:
 - 1. Select the desired topic and click Edit.
 - In the Related Content section, start typing the name of the page, select it and Save.



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Topics & Pages

- Organizing pages by topics allows for users to be assigned to topics so they can edit/manage the pages found under those topics.
- To assign a user to a topic:
 - Select the topic you want to manage and click Users.
 - Now you can add or remove users from the topic or manage the existing users.

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