Resources

Types

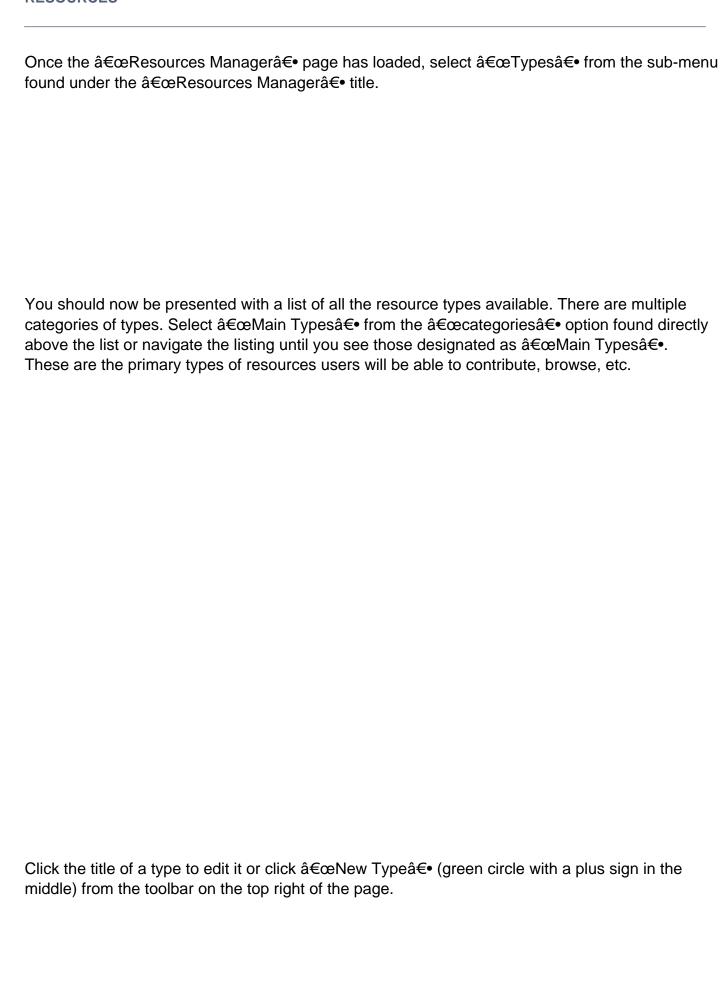Users may contribute many types or categories of resources. All HUBs come with a default set of types. They are:

- Animations
- Courses
- Downloads
- Learning Modules
- Notes
- Online Presentations
- Publications
- Series
- Teaching Materials
- Tools
- Workshops

Some types can be contributed by any user via the front-end "contribute" component. Some types, such as Learning Modules or Series cannot presently be contributed via the front-end due to their complex nature (more on this below).

Creating New Types

The default list of types may not completely suit your needs and you may wish to add your own, new types. This can be done from the administrative back-end of the site by following these steps:

1. Login to the administrative back-end.
2. Once logged in, find "Components" in the main menu bar located toward the top of the page. You should be presented with a drop-down menu containing a list of all the installed components on your HUB.
3. Select "Resources" from the list.

Once the â€œResources Managerâ€• page has loaded, select â€œTypesâ€• from the sub-menu found under the â€œResources Managerâ€• title.

You should now be presented with a list of all the resource types available. There are multiple categories of types. Select â€œMain Typesâ€• from the â€œcategoriesâ€• option found directly above the list or navigate the listing until you see those designated as â€œMain Typesâ€•. These are the primary types of resources users will be able to contribute, browse, etc.

Click the title of a type to edit it or click â€œNew Typeâ€• (green circle with a plus sign in the middle) from the toolbar on the top right of the page.

Fill in the title field (what you want this type to be called) and select "Main Type" from the category list. You may then optionally fill in a description (longer explanation) of this type.

Decide if this resource type can be contributed from the front-end "contribute" component by checking/unchecking the "contributable" checkbox. Due to the complex structure of some resources, the front-end "contribute" component cannot handle the creation of some resource types. This checkbox ensures what such a resource type does not accidently show up as a type the user can self contribute.

Next, you may decide what custom fields you wish to have filled in by the user for that resource type. Options are single-line text boxes or multi-line text areas. A field may be required or not. If no custom fields are added, the resource type will appear with a default set of fields: Bio, Credits, Citations, Sponsored By, References, Publications (all multi-lined textareas)

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Click â€œSaveâ€• (icon looks like a floppy disk) in the toolbar on the top right of the page.

New resource types should now be available as a resource option and changes to types should take affect immediately.