

PeopleFluent Learning

Add News to the Login Page

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About this Document

Introduction

This guide explains how to configure the PeopleFluent LMS login page to display news defined in the News Manager. This allows up-to-date news articles at login without requiring the administrator to modify the login HTML.



This feature uses the Velocity template engine. You can read more about using Velocity at <http://velocity.apache.org>

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Create a News Article

To create a news article, go to **Manage Center > Communicate > News Articles**.

1. Click **+ Create News Article**.
2. Complete the properties as required. You can select a file attachment as well as directly enter news text into the text field. If you provide a file attachment URL, an icon is added to the article for users to download it.

News Editor

Edit news

Target Audience

Preview

Modify the overall properties as required below. You can enter a file attachment as well as directly enter news text into the text field (i.e., type or cut and paste). If the attachment URL is non-blank, an icon will be added to the article display to permit the download. A sample download URL could be '/preview/nd/fresco/repository/documents/myfile.doc'.

REMARK: The maximum length of the teaser is 255 characters.

Expiration Date:

Display status:

Type:

News Category:

Language:

Display format:

Display order: (1-100, where 100 will be displayed first)

Auto Delete Date:

Automatically Delete?:

Title (Required):

Picture URL:

File Attachment URL:

Survey/Feedback: Poll

Teaser:

Text:

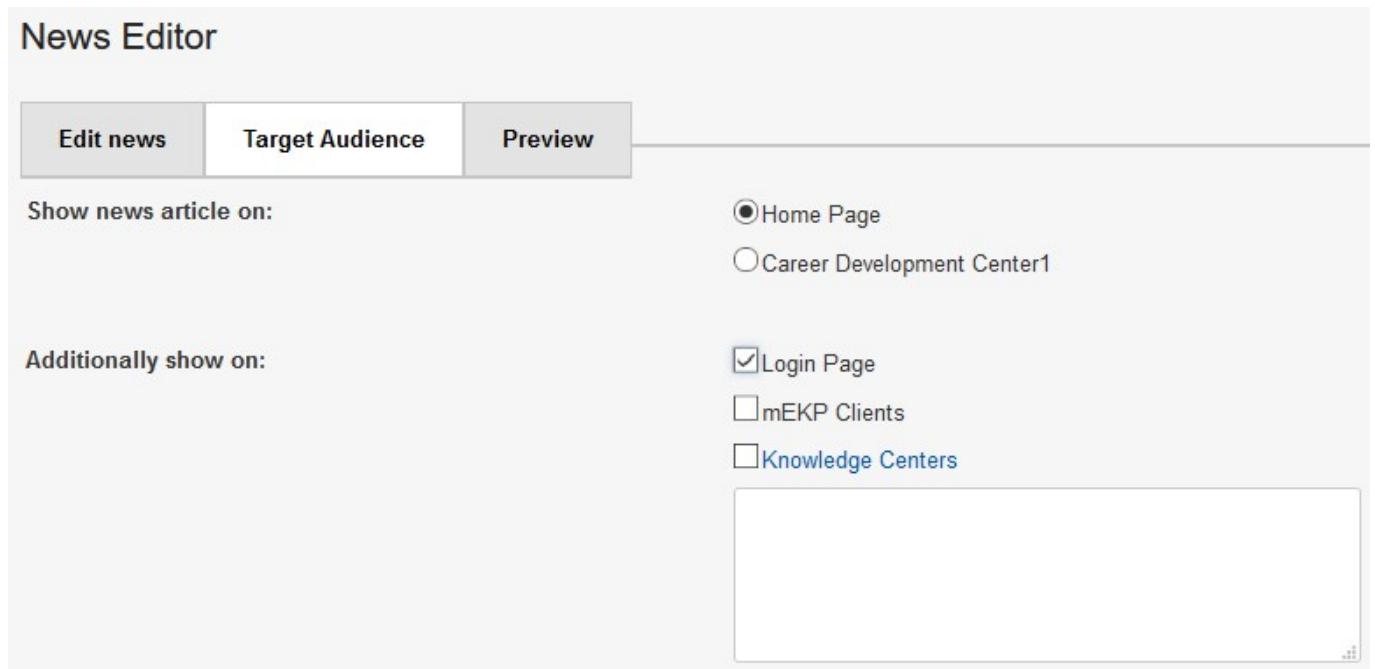
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3. Click **Save** at the bottom of the page.

Configure a News Article for Display

To configure a news article to display in the login page, go to **Manage Center > Communicate > News Articles**.

1. Create or open a news article for editing.
2. On the **Target Audience** tab, select the **Login Page** checkbox.



The screenshot shows the 'News Editor' interface with three tabs: 'Edit news', 'Target Audience', and 'Preview'. The 'Target Audience' tab is active. Under the heading 'Show news article on:', there are two radio button options: 'Home Page' (selected) and 'Career Development Center1'. Under the heading 'Additionally show on:', there are three checkbox options: 'Login Page' (checked), 'mEKP Clients', and 'Knowledge Centers'. Below these options is a large empty text area.

3. Click **Save**.

Feature Behavior and Limitations

News Articles have the following behavior and limitations:

- An article can be targeted at a specific set of recipients except when it is targeted to the login page. Because users are not logged in at the time the news is displayed on the login page, targeting cannot be applied.
- Surveys cannot be linked to login page news.
- Article controls, such as expiration dates and display order will also apply to login page news.
- Because the news query and display process is an LMS transaction, and uses Velocity, this will not work with login pages that cannot be converted (in whole or in part) and placed within the Tomcat WEB-INF/conf directory (or equivalent in JRun and others) as described later. For example, such as when the login fields have been embedded inside another portal or Intranet page.

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