Sakai Permissions

Permissions in Sakai 2.1.2 are tied to Roles. A Role is a set of permissions. Roles exist within the context of a site. A user may have the access role in one site, and maintain role in another. Permissions cannot be specifically assigned to an individual user. A user is given a Role in a site, and that Role caries with it the permission set.

There are two areas where permissions affect a Sakai user – in their My Workspace, and in their roles within a various worksites. The account type controls behavior that is outside the scope of a particular site. A user's role within a site is within the scope of that site only. A user may have one account type, but may have different roles in different sites.

Appendix A shows the default roles and permissions for Sakai 2.1.2 **Appendix B** shows roles and permissions in use at University of Michigan.

Account Permissions

A user is added to Sakai by creating an account.¹ An account has a type (e.g., 'Instructor', or 'Student', or 'guest'), and the type can control whether the user has the ability to create new sites. The ability to create sites is outside the scope of a user created worksite. Creating new worksites is a capability accessed from a user's My Workspace Worksite Setup tool, not from within a particular worksite.

The user's account type determines which realm template the user has, and in the realm template is the control for ability to create sites. The realm template used by an account is !user.template.<type>, where type is the type of account. For example, by default Sakai has a realm template !user.template.registered. That realm has the site.add permission enabled, so any user whose account is of type 'registered' will be able to create worksites The ability to create worksites means the user will see the New button in their My Workspace Worksite Setup tool. Without site.add, an account will not see the New button, and will therefore not be able to create new worksites.

If an account has no type, or a type for which a corresponding realm template is not found, the !user.template realm is used. The !user.template realm by default has site.add disabled, so users with a blank type cannot create worksites. The account type can be seen/changed by editing the account with the Admin's User (sakai.users) tool.

If you wanted to create a new account type - colleague - you could add a !user.template.colleague realm by editing (using the Realm tool) the !user.template.registered realm, copying it to !user.template.colleague, and then editing the !user.template.colleague realm to turn on/off the site.add permission as desired.

¹ This could happen by adding the user with the User tool (sakai.users), the New Account tool which may be on the gateway (login) page (sakai.createuser) or via a provider which supplies users from the institution's enterprise system. Some institutions are also using scripts to load users.

When an account is created using the New Account tool, it is created with type 'registered'. By default then, these users have the ability to create new worksites. This could be changed by editing the !user.template.registered realm (Admin Realm tool) and unchecking the site.add permission.

Default Sakai realms include

!user.templateno site.add permission!user.template.guestno site.add permission!user.template.registeredsite.add permission enabled!user.template.maintainsite.add permission enabled

Note: do not confuse the account type 'maintain' with the role of 'maintain' that may be given to a user in a particular site. Account type and the role in a worksite serve two different purposes.

Roles and Permissions in Worksites – site templates

The creator of a worksite is automatically a member of the worksite and by default is added as a participant when it is created. The creator is given the "maintain" role (a role specified in the site's realm, which typically gives the site creator maintain permissions in the sit). The realm for the worksite is where roles for the worksite are defined.

Sakai can be configured so that sites of different types can have different sets of roles. Sites, like accounts, can have a type. If so, they inherit the !site.template.<type> if it exists.

Otherwise, the site inherits the !site.template realm. By default, Sakai has !site.template and !site.template.course realms. Course sites inherit the !site.template.course realm, and all other types of sites (e.g., project) inherit the !site.template realm.

Since a site inherits the !site.template realm, or if the site is a course type, inherits the !site.template.course realm, the site has roles defined in the associated template. By default, roles included in !site.template are 'maintain' and 'access'. Roles in the !site.template.course realm are Instructor, Student, and Teaching Assistant.

The maintain type role for !site.template and !site.template.course is 'maintain' and 'Instructor' respectively. The access type role for these two realms is 'access' and 'Student' respectively. The maintain type role allows read/write/edit throughout the site. The access type role provides read everywhere, and limited write (access can post Discussion replies, but not upload to Resources for example). These are similar to an Instructor and Student roles in a class site, or Organizer and Member roles in a project site. See Appendix A for a listing of the default permissions for the roles in !site.template and !site.template.course.

A site's realm can be viewed/edited using the Admin's Realm (sakai.realm) tool. A site's realm will be named /site/<siteid>, where <siteid> is the site's unique identifier (used in the URL of the site, e.g., 929ece94-34e3-4e71-0092-7afe89278d0e).

A typical application would be to create a !site.template.project realm, and perhaps adjust roles in the !site.project.course realm. In each, create the set of roles appropriate to those types of sites. See Appendix B for examples from UM, where course sites have an Instructor and Student role, and project sites have an Organizer and Member role. In both types of sites at UM, site creators get the 'Owner' role rather than 'maintain'.

Users are added to a worksite by the site creator using Worksite Setup, and/or users may join a worksite if the worksite has been made joinable. The permissions that a user has in a worksite are determined by the user's role in the worksite. Their assigned role is specified by the person adding the user to the worksite. If the user self-joins (using the Membership tool in their My Workspace), they are automatically assigned a role based on a role for joiner specified when the worksite was created.

Functionality to create a new role in a site is in the Admin Realm tool, and so is not available to normal users at this time. When a new role is created, permissions for the role are specified using the Realm editor.

Site and site templates included in Sakai OOTB

Site ID	Description
!admin	The Administration Workspace. Contains tools that support/admins use in configuring Sakai and troubleshooting user problems (e.g., User, Realm tools). Any account that is a member of this site has access to the admin tools, and is granted read/write/access permissions to all sites in the system.
!error	A site used to present an error page (via a sakai.iframe.site tool) when a user tries to get to a site that doesn't exist, or for which they are not a member, or otherwise not authorized to see. Installations can tailor the message to whatever they want by editing the description of the sakai.iframe.site tool in the !error site, or pointing the tool to an html file.
!gateway	The Gateway site which users see when they go to the login page for Sakai (e.g., http://localhost:8080/portal). Installations can customize what shows up to their users on the Gateway page by editing/adding/removing tools in the !gateway site.
!urlError !user	Not used. The site template used when a new My Workspace is created the first time a new user logs in to Sakai. The user's My Workspace will contain tools that are in the !user site. Institutions can customize the tools users start with in their My Workspaces by editing the !user site. Or, they can create different sets of tools for different types of user My Workspaces by creating !user. <usertype> template sites. My Workspaces are created using the !user site as a template, unless there exists a corresponding</usertype>

!user.<usertype> that matches the user's account type.

!worksite An example site that can be copied with the Admin Sites tool to create new

sites, but not used currently as a template.

~admin The admin's My Workspace. Contains by default the same tools as in the

!admin site, but only the user account 'admin' has access to this site. Giving other accounts admin rights is done by granting other accounts

access to the !admin site.

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Group template realm

The new Site Group feature introduced in Sakai 2.1 introduced group templates !group.template and !group.template.course. In order for Site Groups to work properly, these templates must have the same roles defined as those in the corresponding site templates !site.template and !site.template.course. So for Sakai OOTB, !group.template has the roles maintain and access, and !site.template.course has the roles Instructor, Student, and Teaching Assistant

The !site.helper realm

Editing a template realm affects all future sites. Editing a site's realm affects the site only. It is sometimes desirable to add a permission to all existing sites. For example, a new tool is added with its set of permissions. It would be nice to add the new tool's default permission settings to roles in all sites so that if an existing site wanted to add the new tool, permissions would be setup properly for the various roles. The !site.helper realm provides such a capability. The !site.helper realm can be used to assign permissions for a particular role in all sites.

More information on the !site.helper realm can be found in the Sakai Helper Realm doc at http://collab.sakaiproject.org/access/content/group/1097928811887-22636/Architecture%20Docs/Sakai%202/helper_realm.pdf. The document is also in subversion at /trunk/sakai/docs/architecture/sakai helper realm.doc

Other realms and realm templates

A few other realms are delivered with Sakai out of the box. These have special uses as follows.

!group.template	Used to specify group related permissions for tools that are group aware for sites which do not have a corresponding !group.template. <sitetype> realm.</sitetype>
!group.template.course	Used to specify group related permissions for tools that are group aware for course sites (sites with a type value of 'course')

!pubview	Gives permissions to non-authenticated users who are viewing public content in a site. Public content includes Announcements, Resources, Syllabus items that have been specified as being public when they were created (or subsequently edited). Public content for a site can be viewed from the Site Browser tool on the Gateway page, before a user logs in. !pubview typically has read only permissions set so that unauthenticated users can see the public content but not add/change site content.
!site.helper	Can be used to grant permission to all sites, as a way of retroactively granting permissions when a new permission is added to the system. See the document <i>Sakai Helper Realm</i> in the DG: Development (DEV) site on http://collab.sakaiproject.org, in the Resources/Architecture docs folder for more information. ²
!site.template	Realm template used for sites that do not have any type, or for which a corresponding !site.template. <sitetype> does not exist.</sitetype>
!site.template.course	Realm template for sites of type 'course'.
!site.template.myworkspace	Not used.
!site.user	Provides permissions to the user in their My Workspaces. When a user first logs in, their My Workspace inherits this realm by default.

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http://collab.sakaiproject.org/access/content/group/1097928811887-22636/Architecture%20Docs/Sakai%202/helper_realm.pdf

!user.template	User templates are a way of granting certain permissions to users within the scope of their My Workspace based on their account type. Currently, these templates are used to grant the ability to create new sites or not via the site.new permission. If the user template has site.new checked, then the 'New' action appears in the user's Worksite Setup tool in their My Workspace. If the site.new permission is not checked, then the user cannot create new worksites since the New action will be missing from their Worksite Setup toolbar. !user.template is the realm used for user account with no type, or accounts which have a type but for which there isn't a corresponding !user.template. accounttype realm.
!user.template.guest	Used for user accounts of type 'guest'.
!user.template.maintain	Used for user accounts of type 'maintain'
!user.template.registered	Used for user accounts of type 'registered'
!user.template.sample	Used for user accounts of type 'sample'

Permissions for the System Administrator

The system administrator (admin) has access to tools to which no other regular user has access. The admin has tools such as "Users," "Realms," and "Sites" which allow the admin to create, delete, and generally administer the associated entities. The admin also has privileges and permissions not available to any other user. For example, the admin can see and edit all sites.

When Sakai is first installed, the admin account (account name admin, pwd admin) is the only 'pre-installed' account, and is able to create worksites.

Other accounts can be given admin rights so that the admin account itself does not have to be used by multiple users. An account is given admin rights by editing the /site/!admin realm (the realm associated with the Administration Workspace) and using the Grant Ability function in the toolbar of the Realm editor. Add the account name in the Grant Ability page, and assign the account the admin role. That account will then see the Administration Workspace tab, and be able to access Admin tools in that worksite.

Sakai 2.1.2 default permissions

Sakai 2.1.2 includes two roles – access and maintain. The access role is a generalized role to represent a 'normal' user of a site, and the maintain role represents a site owner or site

administrator type role. Those with maintain can do most anything in the site. They have read/write/del everywhere, and can edit tool options and permissions. Access role users can read everywhere, write in some places, and generally cannot delete. Access users do not have site.upd permission, so they do not see the Options and Permissions items in toolbars.

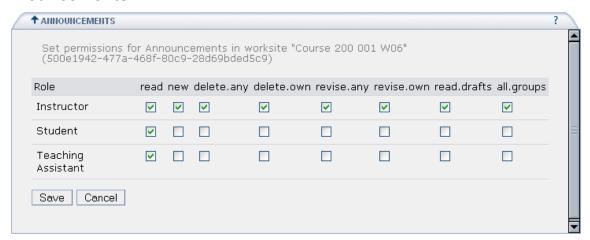
Permissions for these roles are set in the realm template !site.template given to new sites. Institutions may want to change the defaults in !site.template to add roles with other permissions, or create !site.template.<type> template realms to provide custom roles and permissions to sites of particular types (e.g., course and project).

The list of permissions and settings for the default roles is shown in Appendix A.

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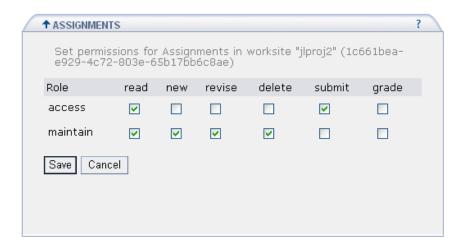
- Some tools do not yet have a Permissions page to control permissions from the tool (e.g., Gradebook). To set permissions, use the Admin Realm editor to edit the Realm, where you can set permissions per role in the site's Realm. A site's realm is /site/<siteid>.
- Some tools do not have permissions (e.g., Syllabus). These tools typically tie tool administrative functions to site.upd. If the role has site.upd, then users see toolbar actions associated with maintaining, administering the tool, creating new objects with the tool etc. If the role does not have site.upd, then users see a 'normal' user (student type) view of the tool and do not have edit permission in the tool.
- When a new tool is added to a release, if it has associated permissions, those new permissions are added into the default roles of both the realm template used for new sites and existing site realms. The !site.template realm will contain appropriate settings for the new tool's permissions as part of the release, but existing sites in installations will not have anything set for the new tool's permissions in their realms.
- If you make a change to a site template realm (e.g., !site.template), those changes affect only sites created after the change. Existing sites will not be affected since their realms are already created. Some institutions have created scripts to update existing realms with new permission settings.

Announcements



Permission	!site.template entry	Description
new	annc.new	Allows users to create new announcements.
read	annc.read	Allows users to read announcements. This
		permission is needed to view the list of
		announcements.
revise.any	annc.revise.any	Allows users to edit any announcement, created by
		anyone.
revise.own	annc.revise.own	Allows user to edit only announcements they
		created.
delete.any	annc.delete.any	User can delete any announcement regardless of
		who created it.
delete.own	annc.delete.own	User can delete only announcements they created.
read.drafts	annc.read.drafts	Ability to read draft announcements made by
		others. Users can always view draft
		announcements they create.
all.groups	annc.all.groups	Maintain type role members of the site (Instructors
		and the like) might expect to have permissions to
		see and manipulate the announcements in the site
		as well as all the site groups, without having
		explicit membership in each group. If the user's
		membership in the site includes annc.all.groups,
		then the user has access to all the groups in the site
		without needing explicit group membership.
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Assignments



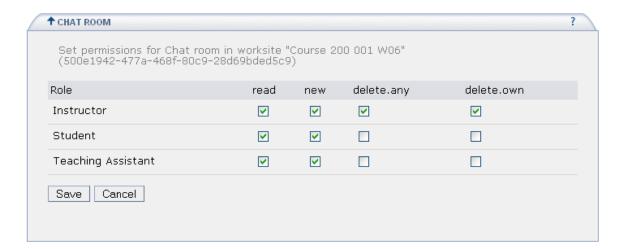
Permission	!site.template entry	Description
read	asn.read	Allows user to view the assignment list. The list
		they see will differ depending on the asn.new
		permission. Those with asn.new see an 'instructor'
		list (list of all assignments, including drafts, with
		action links for revising, deleting). Those without
		asn.new see a 'student' list (list of open
		assignments, where clicking on the assignment
		opens it for submission).
new	asn.new	Gives user the ability to create new assignments.
		Also controls the type of assignment list view the
		user sees (see asn.read above).
revise	asn.revise	Gives user the ability to revise assignments.
delete	asn.delete	Gives user the ability to delete assignments.
submit	asn.submit	Gives user the ability to submit assignments. This
		includes 'instructor' type roles, which can submit
		as though they were a 'student' using a link on the
		Student View page. Without this permission, the
		'Submit as Student' function does not appear to
		roles with asn.new.
grade	asn.grade	Gives the role the ability to grade assignments. See
	-	note below.

Notes: If the role has asn.new permission, then that role also has the ability to grade (any role with asn.new also has the ability to grade, regardless of the asn.grade setting). If the role does not have asn.new, then grading permission can be granted by giving the role asn.grade.

asn.submit must be granted to allow submissions regardless of any other permission setting. So an Instructor type role should have asn.submit to allow the instructor to make submissions using the 'Submit as student' action when in the Student View display.

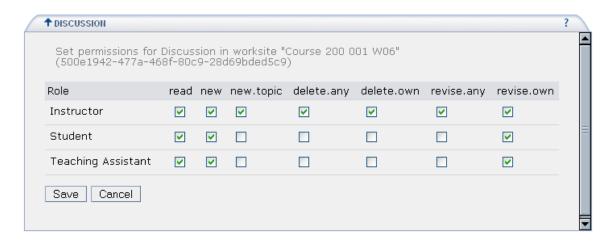
asn.submit and asn.grade are not currently set on in the maintain role as of Sakai 2.0.1. Jira SAK-1152 addresses this bug.

Chat Room



Permission	!site.template entry	Description
new	chat.new	Gives user the ability to post new messages.
		Required in order to view the chat message type in
		field.
read	chat.read	Gives user the ability to read chat messages.
		Required in order to view the chat message
		window.
delete.any	chat.delete.any	Gives the user the ability to delete any chat
-	-	message, posted by any user.
delete.own	chat.delete.own	Not currently implemented.

Discussion



Permission	!site.template entry	Description
new	disc.new	Required in order to post any kind of reply - either
		to a topic or to another reply.
read	disc.read	Gives the user the ability to view Discussion
		content, including the list of Categories, Topics,
		and Replies.
revise.any	disc.revise.any	Not currently implemented. There is no UI for
		revising discussion messages.
revise.own	disc.revise.own	Not currently implemented. There is no UI for
		revising discussion messages.
delete.any	disc.delete.any	Gives user the ability to delete discussion
		categories, topics or replies posted by any user.
		Required in order to delete. Deleting a Category or
		Topic deletes all replies to the Topic as well.
delete.own	disc.delete.own	Gives user the ability to delete discussion replies
		that they have posted. Note that currently there is
		no way to grant the ability to delete just the Topics
		and/or Categories that a user has created.
new.topic	disc.new.topic	Gives the user the ability to create new Categories
		and Topics. But note that since creating a topic
		includes creating a message, that disc.new is also
		required.

Note: Control over the type of replies allowed in a particular discussion topic is not controlled by a permission setting. When a topic is created, Topic Format options allow control over how replies to the topic are handled. The options are:

Within this topic, allow replies to any message

Within this topic, only allow replies directly to this message

Depending on the option, the discussion replies will appear in the Discussion list as follows:

Category

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Topic 1 (set to allow replies to topic only)
Reply 1
Reply 2
Reply A
Reply a
Reply 6
Reply D

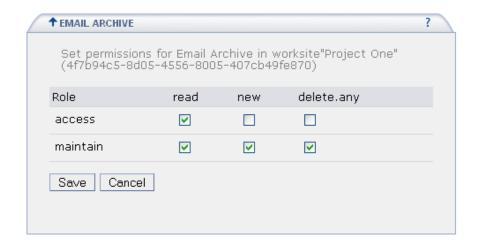
Topic 2 (set to allow replies to messages or topic)
Reply 1
Reply 2
Reply A
Reply a
Reply 6
Reply D
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Dropbox

!site.template entry	Description
dropbox.maintain	Roles granted dropbox.maintain will be
	have read/write access to all dropboxes.
	They will see the entire list of dropboxes
	and can navigate into any dropbox, and
	can read and upload files there.
dropbox.own	Roles granted dropbox.own will have an
	individual dropbox and will not be able
	to see any other user's dropbox.

The dropbox permissions are editable only using the Admin Realm editor since there is no Permission page for the Dropbox tool. By design, there shouldn't be a Permission page available from the Dropbox tool. The dropbox maintain permission can cause severe privacy problems if misused, so up to this point control of that permission hasn't been exposed to users.

Email Archive



Permission	!site.template entry	Description
new	mail.new	Gives user the ability to send email to the site, which is stored in the email archive and sent on to
		site participants with read permission.
read	mail.read	Gives user the ability to view the email archive list
		and read emails in the list.
delete.any	mail.delete.any	Allows user to delete any email message in the archive, sent by any user.

Message Center

Message Center is not part of the 2.1.2 release, so these permissions will not show in a site's realm unless you add the Message Center tool to your build.

!site.template entry	Description
messagecenter.changeSettings	Allows users to change the default
	template settings in the discussion forum
	area.
messagecenter.deleteAny	Allows user to delete any discussion
	topic posting.
messagecenter.deleteOwn	Allows user to delete their own
	discussion topic postings.
messagecenter.markAsRead	Alows user to mark discussion topic
	postings as read.
messagecenter.movePostings	Allows user to move discussion topic
	postings to another topic.
messagecenter.newForum	Allows user to create a new forum.
messagecenter.newResponse	Allows user to respond to a discussion
	topic.
messagecenter.newResponseToResponse	Allows user to respond to a response to a
	discussion topic.
messagecenter.newTopic	Allows user to create a new topic.
messagecenter.postToGradebook	Allows user to grade a discussion topic
	posting.
messagecenter.read	Allows user to read a discussion topic
	posting.
messagecenter.reviseAny	Allows user to revise any discussion
	topic posting.
messagecenter.reviseOwn	Allows user to revise their own
	discussion topic postings only.

Resources

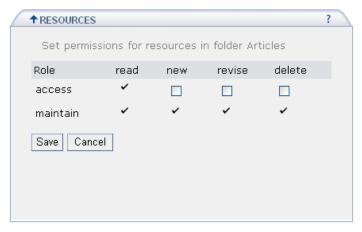
At the top level, when you first enter Resources before navigating to any sub-folder, the Permissions control item in the toolbar is used to set permissions for the top level 'root' folder of the site's Resources. These permissions are inherited by all sub-folders.

Permissions granted at the top level cannot be removed in sub-folders. There currently is no 'deny' capability. That means that you cannot at this time prevent a role from reading any subfolder (since to even get to the sub-folder, you would have to give the role 'read' permissions at the top level, and once given there, the permission can't be taken away in a sub-folder).

Additional permissions can be granted in sub-folders. You can add to sub-folder permissions, but not take away permissions that have been granted in a parent folder.



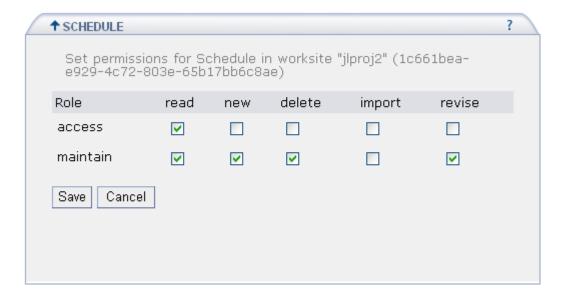
Resource permission settings which control Role capabilities in the Resources tool at the top level 'root' folder.



Resource permission settings for a sub-folder. Note that some settings are not changeable since the sub-folder inherits the top level folder permissions, and a permission granted in a parent folder cannot be removed in the sibling.

Permission	!site.template entry	Description
read	content.read	Allows users to access the Resources area- view
		the list of Resources and navigate to sub-folders.
		There is currently no way to remove read in a
		sibling folder when it has been granted to the
		parent folder. read is needed in order to see
		toolbar actions and anything in the resources list.
new	content.new	Allows user to upload files to Resources, or create new text, html, or URL resources.
revise	content.revise	Allows user to revise files in Resources created by any user. revise is needed along with delete in order to delete files.
delete	content.delete	Allows user to delete files in Resources created by any user. revise is also needed in order to be able to delete.

Schedule



Permission	!site.template entry	Description
read	calendar.read	Allows users to view the schedule and to read
		schedule items. This permission is needed in order to
		see schedule events.
new	calendar.new	Allows users to create a new schedule item.
delete	calendar.delete	Allows users to delete schedule events. Currently,
		delete alone does nothing. revise is needed in order
		to delete. SAK-144
import	calendar.import	Allows users to import schedule events from
_	_	Outlook, Meeting Maker, or csv files. (Import adds
		events without syncing – importing the same file
		multiple times results in multiple copies of events)
revise	calendar.revise	Allows users to revise (and currently, delete) events.

Tests and Quizzes

!site.template entry	Description
assessment.createAssessment	Allows user to create a new assessment.
assessment.deleteAssessment.any	User can delete any assessment created by anyone.
assessment.deleteAssessment.own	User can delete assessments they created.
assessment.editAssessment.any	User can edit any assessment created by anyone.
assessment.editAssessment.own	User can edit assessments they created.
assessment.gradeAssessment.any	User can grade any assessment.
assessment.gradeAssessment.own	User can grade assessments they created.
assessment.publishAssessment.any	User can publish any assessment.
assessment.publishAssessment.own	User can publish only assessments they have created
assessment.questionpool.copy.own	Users can make a copy of any assessment pool.
assessment.questionpool.create	User can create a question pool.
assessment.questionpool.delete.own	User can delete their own question pools.
assessment.questionpool.edit.own	User can edit question pools they have created.
assessment. submit Assessment For Grade	User has the ability to create a submission to assessments which will be available to the grader for evaluation.
assessment.takeAssessment	User has the ability to take an assessment.
assessment.template.create	User has the ability to create a new template that can then be used to control assessment settings.

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assessment.template.edit.own User can edit templates they have

created.

Other permissions that are not accessible via a tool Permission page can be set using the Admin Realm tool. Edits to particular roles should be made in the !site.template realms.

alias.add	
alias.del	From an early implementation that allowed
alias.upd	setting a site alias
annc.all.groups	
annc.delete.any	
annc.delete.own	Announcement tool permissions
annc.new	·
annc.read	
annc.revise.any	
annc.revise.own	
asn.delete	
asn.grade	Assistance at the Language spiritual
asn.new	Assignment tool permissions
asn.read	
asn.revise	
asn.submit	
calendar.delete	
calendar.import	
calendar.new	Schedule tool permissions
calendar.read	•
calendar.revise	
chat.delete.any	
chat.delete.own	
chat.new	Chat tool normicsions
	Chat tool permissions
chat.read	
content.delete	
content.new	Resource tool permissions
content.read	
content.revise	
disc.delete.any	
disc.delete.own	
disc.new	
disc.new.topic	Discussion tool permissions
disc.read .	·
disc.read.drafts	
disc.revise.any	
disc.revise.own	
dropbox.maintair	Drophov tool parmissions
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dropbox.own	Cundoh coluta al magnaica in a
gradebook.acces	'
gradebook.maint	aın
mail.delete.any	
mail.new	Email Archive tool permissions
mail.read	
prefs.add	
prefs.del	Preference permissions (Not implemented as of Sakai 2.0)
prefs.upd	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
realm.add	used in !user.template
realm.del	used in !site.template
realm.upd	used in !site.template
realm.upd.own	used in !sice.template
reaminupu.own	useu iii :user.tempiate
	In luces template, the puth sole has realized and realized and sole
	In !user.template, the .auth role has realm.add and realm.upd.own.
	In !site.template, the maintain role has realm.del and realm.upd
site.add	Allows the user to create sites (they see the New button in their My Workspace.
	This permission is set in the !user.template realms, not applicable in
	!site.template realms

site.add.usersite	Used in the !user.template – gives user the right to create their my workspace (not applicable in the !site.template realm)
site.del	Gives user the right to delete the site.
site.upd	Gives user the right to edit the site – users will see the Options and Permissions actions in Toolbars
site.upd.grp.mbr	rshp For the Section Info tool, for roles that do not have site.upd, allows user to modify (but not create) membership in sections.
site.upd.site.mbi	rshp For the Section Info tool, for roles that do not have site.upd, allows user to add and remove participants from the site.
site.viewRoster	Allows users to view the roster in Site Info. This is settable only via Admin Realms tool when editing the !site.template (e.g., there is not Permissions page in Site Info)
site.visit	Gives user the ability to see the site tab. Without this, even though a user may be a participant of the site, they will not see the tab.
site.visit.unp	Gives user the ability to see the site when it is unpublished.
user.add	Used in the !user.template realm. Allows a user to create a new account. Could be set in the .anon and .auth role to let anyone create an account.
user.del	
user.upd.any	
user.upd.own	Allows a user to revise their own user information. Used in the !user.template realm.
	In the default !user.template, the .auth role has user.add, user.upd.own. The .anon role has user.add

Permissions added with the Message Center tool messagecenter.changeSettings

messagecenter.changeSettings messagecenter.deleteAny messagecenter.deleteOwn messagecenter.markAsRead messagecenter.movePostings messagecenter.newForum messagecenter.newResponse

Message Center tool permissions

messagecenter.newResponseToResponse
messagecenter.newTopic
messagecenter.postToGradebook
messagecenter.read
messagecenter.reviseAny
messagecenter.reviseOwn

Appendix A

Default roles and permissions supplied in !site.template, !site.template.course in Sakai 2.1.2.

!site.template is the template realm that worksites inherit when they are created. If a corresponding template realm exists to match the site type, then that template realm is used instead. For example, if a !site.template.course realm exists, sites of type 'course' are given that realm.

	!site.te	!site.template		!site.template.cou		
2.1.2	access	maintain	Student	Teaching Assistant	Instructor	
alias.add						
alias.del						
alias.upd						
annc.all.groups		✓			✓	
annc.delete.any		✓			✓	
annc.delete.own		✓			✓	
annc.new		✓			✓	
annc.read	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
annc.read.drafts		✓			✓	
annc.revise.any		✓			✓	
annc.revise.own		✓			✓	
asn.delete		✓			✓	
asn.grade		✓			✓	
asn.new		✓			✓	
asn.read	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
asn.revise		✓			✓	
asn.submit	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
assessment.createAssessment		✓			✓	
assessment.deleteAssessment.any		✓			✓	
assessment.deleteAssessment.own		✓			✓	
assessment.editAssessment.any		✓			✓	
assessment.editAssessment.own		✓			✓	
assessment.gradeAssessment.any		✓		✓	✓	
assessment.gradeAssessment.own		✓		✓	✓	
assessment.publishAssessment.any		✓			✓	
assessment.publishAssessment.own		✓			✓	
assessment.questionpool.copy.own		✓			✓	
assessment.questionpool.create		✓			✓	
assessment.questionpool.delete.own		✓			✓	
assessment.questionpool.edit.own		✓			✓	
assessment.submitAssessmentForGrade	✓		✓			
assessment.takeAssessment	✓		✓			
assessment.template.create		✓			✓	
assessment.template.delete.own		✓			✓	
assessment.template.edit.own		✓			✓	

calendar.delete		✓			✓
calendar.import					
calendar.new		✓			✓
calendar.read	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
calendar.revise		✓			✓
chat.delete.any		✓			✓
chat.delete.own		✓			✓
chat.new	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
chat.read	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
content.delete		✓			✓
content.new		✓			✓
content.read	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
content.revise		✓			✓
crud.create					
crud.delete					
crud.read					
crud.update					
dis.dis.add					
dis.del					
dis.dis.read					
dis.dis.upd					
dis.grp.add					
dis.grp.del					
dis.grp.read					
dis.grp.upd					
dis.info.add					
dis.info.del					
dis.info.read					
dis.info.upd					
dis.path.add					
dis.path.del					
dis.path.read					
dis.path.upd					
dis.path.upd.comm					
dis.status.add					
dis.status.del					
dis.status.read					
dis.status.upd					
dis.step.add					
dis.step.del					
dis.step.read					
dis.step.upd					
disc.delete.any		✓			✓
disc.delete.own		✓			✓
disc.new	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
disc.new.topic		✓			✓
disc.read	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
disc.revise.any		✓			✓
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disc.revise.own	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
dropbox.maintain		✓			√
dropbox.own	✓		✓	✓	
gradebook.editAssignments		✓			✓
gradebook.gradeAll		✓			✓
gradebook.gradeSection				✓	
gradebook.viewOwnGrades	✓		✓	✓	
mail.delete.any		✓			✓
mail.new		✓			✓
mail.read	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
melete.author					✓
melete.student					
metaobj.create		✓			✓
metaobj.edit		✓			✓
metaobj.export					
metaobj.publish		✓			✓
metaobj.suggest.global.publish		✓			✓
prefs.add					
prefs.del					
prefs.upd					
realm.add					
realm.del		✓			✓
realm.upd		✓			✓
realm.upd.own					
rwiki.admin		✓			✓
rwiki.create	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
rwiki.read	✓	✓	✓	✓	
rwiki.superadmin					
rwiki.update	✓	✓	✓	✓	
section.role.instructor		✓			
section.role.student	✓		✓		
section.role.ta				✓	
site.add					
site.add.usersite					
site.del		✓			✓
site.upd		✓			✓
site.upd.grp.mbrshp				✓	
site.upd.site.mbrshp					
site.viewRoster					
site.visit	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
site.visit.unp		√			✓
user.add					
user.del					
user.upd.any					
user.upd.own					
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Permissions added if you add the Message Center tool to your build.

messagecenter.changeSettings					✓
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messagecenter.deleteAny		✓
messagecenter.deleteOwn		
messagecenter.markAsRead	✓	✓
messagecenter.movePostings		✓
messagecenter.newForum		✓
messagecenter.newResponse	✓	
messagecenter.newResponseToResponse	✓	✓
messagecenter.newTopic		✓
messagecenter.postToGradebook		✓
messagecenter.read	✓	✓
messagecenter.reviseAny		✓
messagecenter.reviseOwn		√

Appendix B

University of Michigan Roles and Permissions.

Site templates:

!site.template Default if no matching site type

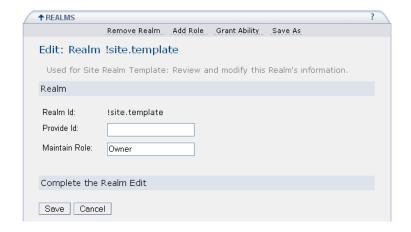
!site.template.course For course sites, contains roles of

Owner, Instructor, Affiliate, Assistant, Student, Observer

!site.template.project For project sites, contains roles of

Owner, Administrator, Member, Observer

At UM, we do not use the default roles of access and maintain (except for some sites created early in our pilot phase) !site.templates have the 'Maintain Role' field set to Owner so that creators get the role of 'Owner'. The Maintain Role field is visible when editing the realm using the Admin Realm editor.



UM permissions for roles used in course sites

The following roles and associated permissions are defined in the !site.template.course realm from University of Michigan's 2.0 installation

!site.template.course

2.1.2	Affiliate	Assistant	Instructor	Observer	Owner	Student
alias.add						
alias.del						
alias.upd						
annc.all.groups	✓	✓	✓		✓	
annc.delete.any	✓		✓		✓	
annc.delete.own	✓	✓	✓		✓	
annc.new	✓	✓	✓		✓	
annc.read		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
annc.read.drafts	✓	✓	✓		✓	
annc.revise.any	✓	✓	✓		✓	
annc.revise.own	✓	✓	✓		✓	
asn.delete	✓		✓		✓	
asn.grade	✓	✓	✓		✓	
asn.new	✓	✓	✓		✓	
asn.read	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
asn.revise	✓	✓	✓		✓	
asn.submit	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
assessment.createAssessment	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.deleteAssessment.any	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.deleteAssessment.own	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.editAssessment.any	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.editAssessment.own	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.gradeAssessment.any	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.gradeAssessment.own	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.publishAssessment.any	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.publishAssessment.own	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.questionpool.copy.own	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.questionpool.create	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.questionpool.delete.own	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.questionpool.edit.own	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.submitAssessmentForGrade						✓
assessment.takeAssessment						✓
assessment.template.create	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.template.delete.own	✓	✓	✓		✓	
assessment.template.edit.own	✓	✓	✓		✓	
calendar.delete	✓	✓	✓		✓	
calendar.import						
calendar.new	✓	✓	✓		✓	
calendar.read	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
calendar.revise	✓	✓	✓		✓	

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chat.delete.any	✓		✓		✓	
chat.delete.own	✓		✓		✓	
chat.new	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
chat.read	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
content.delete	✓	✓	✓		✓	
content.new	✓	✓	✓		✓	
content.read	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
content.revise	✓	✓	✓		✓	
crud.create						
crud.delete						
crud.read						
crud.update						
dis.dis.add	✓		✓		✓	
dis.dis.del	✓		✓		✓	
dis.dis.read	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
dis.dis.upd	✓		✓		✓	
dis.grp.add	√		✓			
dis.grp.del	✓		√			
dis.grp.read	√		√			
dis.grp.upd	✓		✓			
dis.info.add						
dis.info.del						
dis.info.read						
dis.info.upd						
dis.path.add				+	✓	√
dis.path.del				+	✓	√
dis.path.read	✓	✓	✓	✓	√	√
dis.path.upd	✓	√	/			√
dis.path.upd.comm				+		
dis.status.add	✓	✓	√		√	
dis.status.del	· ·	· ✓	· /		√	
dis.status.read	· ✓	· ✓	· ✓		✓	√
	· ✓	,	· ✓		✓	,
dis.status.upd	· ·		· ✓		1	
dis.step.add	· ·		→	+	· /	
dis.step.del	→	✓	→	✓	→	
dis.step.read	✓	V	✓	•	✓	
dis.step.upd	√		∨ ✓		✓	
disc.delete.any	✓		∨ ✓		∨ ✓	
disc.delete.own	✓ ✓	✓	✓ ✓		✓ ✓	✓
disc.new		✓ ✓				V
disc.new.topic	√	+	√		√	
disc.read	√	✓	√	√	√	✓
disc.revise.any	√		√		√	
disc.revise.own	✓	✓	✓		√	✓
dropbox.maintain	✓	✓	✓		✓	
dropbox.own						✓
gradebook.editAssignments	✓	✓	✓		√	
gradebook.gradeAll	✓		✓		✓	

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melete student / / / / metaobj. ceate /<		✓	✓	✓		✓	
metaobj create Y					✓		✓
metaobj.export V		✓	✓	✓		✓	
metaobj.publish ✓	-	✓	✓	✓		✓	
metaobj.publish ✓							
metaobj.suggest.global.publish ✓ <td< td=""><td></td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td></td><td>✓</td><td></td></td<>		✓	✓	✓		✓	
prefs.add		✓		✓		✓	
prefs.upd							
prefs.upd	*						
realm.add realm.del	-						
realm.upd							
realm.upd		✓	✓	✓		✓	
realm.upd.own rwiki.admin rwiki.create		✓	✓	✓		✓	
rwiki.admin ✓ <td< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></td<>							
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rwiki.read ✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	
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section.role.instructor section.role.student section.role.ta site.add site.add site.add.usersite site.upd site.upd.grp.mbrshp site.upd.site.mbrshp site.viewRoster site.visit site.visit site.visit site.visit site.visit.unp site.visit.unp site.visit.unp		✓	✓	✓		✓	
section.role.ta site.add site.add.usersite site.del site.upd site.upd.grp.mbrshp site.upd.site.mbrshp site.viewRoster site.visit viewRoster site.visit viewRoster site.visit.unp viewRoster site.visit.unp viewRoster site.visit.unp viewRoster v	_	✓		✓		✓	
section.role.ta ✓ site.add ✓ site.add.usersite ✓ site.del ✓ site.upd.grp.mbrshp ✓ site.upd.site.mbrshp ✓ site.viewRoster ✓ site.visit ✓ site.visit.unp ✓ user.add user.del user.upd.any	section.role.student						✓
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site.del ✓<	site.add						
site.upd ✓<	site.add.usersite						
site.upd.grp.mbrshp	site.del					✓	
site.upd.grp.mbrshp	site.upd	✓	✓	✓		✓	
site.upd.site.mbrshp ✓							
site.viewRoster ✓							
site.visit site.visit v v v v v v v v v v v v v		✓	✓	✓		✓	
site.visit.unp user.add user.del user.upd.any		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
user.add user.del user.upd.any		✓	✓	✓		✓	
user.del user.upd.any	_						
user.upd.any							
user.upu.owii	user.upd.own						

Comments:

We have mail.read disabled for the Affiliate role so that they don't receive emails. Affiliates are in many sites and were overwhelmed with email. Unchecking mail.read prevents them from seeing email in the site, and so they do not get email forwarded from the site. If they need to check email in a particular site for some reason, they can go to the site and add the mail.read permission to the Affiliate role in the Email Archive tool Permission page.

The Instructor role differs from Owner role only in that Owner has site.del, but Instructor does not.

UM permissions for roles used in project sites

The following roles and associated permissions are defined in the !site.template.project realm.

!site.template.project

2.1.2	Member	Observer	Organizer	Owner
alias.add				
alias.del				
alias.upd				
annc.all.groups			✓	✓
annc.delete.any			✓	✓
annc.delete.own	✓		✓	✓
annc.new	✓		✓	✓
annc.read	✓	✓	✓	✓
annc.read.drafts			✓	✓
annc.revise.any			✓	✓
annc.revise.own	✓		✓	✓
asn.delete			✓	✓
asn.grade			✓	✓
asn.new			✓	✓
asn.read	✓	✓	✓	✓
asn.revise			✓	✓
asn.submit	✓		✓	✓
assessment.createAssessment			✓	✓
assessment.deleteAssessment.any			✓	✓
assessment.deleteAssessment.own			✓	✓
assessment.editAssessment.any			✓	✓
assessment.editAssessment.own			✓	✓
assessment.gradeAssessment.any			✓	✓
assessment.gradeAssessment.own			✓	✓
assessment.publishAssessment.any			✓	✓
assessment.publishAssessment.own			✓	✓
assessment.questionpool.copy.own			✓	✓
assessment.questionpool.create			✓	✓
assessment.questionpool.delete.own			✓	✓
assessment.questionpool.edit.own			✓	✓
assessment.submitAssessmentForGrade	✓			
assessment.takeAssessment	✓			
assessment.template.create			✓	✓
assessment.template.delete.own			✓	✓
assessment.template.edit.own			✓	✓
calendar.delete	✓		✓	✓
calendar.import				

	✓		√	✓
calendar.new	∨	√	✓	∨
calendar.read	·	v		
calendar.revise	✓		✓	√
chat.delete.any				√
chat.delete.own	,			√
chat.new	✓		✓	✓
chat.read	✓	✓	✓	✓
content.delete	✓		✓	✓
content.new	✓		✓	✓
content.read	✓	✓	✓	✓
content.revise	✓		✓	✓
crud.create				
crud.delete				
crud.read				
crud.update				
dis.dis.add				✓
dis.dis.del				✓
dis.dis.read		✓		✓
dis.dis.upd				✓
dis.grp.add				
dis.grp.del				
dis.grp.read				
dis.grp.upd				
dis.info.add				
dis.info.del				
dis.info.read				
dis.info.upd				
dis.path.add				✓
dis.path.del				✓
dis.path.read	✓	✓	✓	✓
dis.path.upd	✓		✓	
dis.path.upd.comm				
dis.status.add	✓		✓	✓
dis.status.del	✓		√	✓
dis.status.read	✓		✓	✓
dis.status.upd	✓			✓
dis.step.add				✓
dis.step.del				✓
dis.step.read		✓	✓	✓
dis.step.read dis.step.upd				✓
disc.delete.any			✓	✓
disc.delete.own			<u>·</u>	✓
disc.new	√		<u>√</u>	✓
disc.new.topic	· ✓		<u>·</u> ✓	<i>✓</i>
disc.read	· ✓	√	<u> </u>	· ✓
		,	<u> </u>	✓
disc.revise.any	√		<u> </u>	✓
disc.revise.own	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	✓
dropbox.maintain			•	"

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dropbox.own	,		✓	√
gradebook.editAssignments			<u> </u>	√
gradebook.gradeAll			V	V
gradebook.gradeSection				
gradebook.viewOwnGrades	√			
mail.delete.any			√	√
mail.new	√		✓	√
mail.read	✓	√	✓	✓
melete.author			✓	✓
melete.student	✓	√		
metaobj.create			✓	✓
metaobj.edit			✓	✓
metaobj.export				
metaobj.publish			✓	✓
metaobj.suggest.global.publish			\checkmark	✓
prefs.add				
prefs.del				
prefs.upd				
realm.add				
realm.del	✓		✓	✓
realm.upd	✓		✓	✓
realm.upd.own				
rwiki.admin			✓	✓
rwiki.create	✓		✓	✓
rwiki.read	✓	✓	✓	✓
rwiki.superadmin				
rwiki.update	✓		✓	✓
section.role.instructor			✓	✓
section.role.student	✓			
section.role.ta				
site.add				
site.add.usersite				
site.del				✓
site.upd			✓	✓
site.upd.grp.mbrshp				
site.upd.site.mbrshp				
site.viewRoster	✓		✓	✓
site.visit	✓	√	✓	✓
site.visit.unp			✓	✓
user.add				
user.del				
user.upd.any		† †		
user.upd.own				
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