

Roles and Rights

OpenOLAT Roles

User type

OpenOLAT works with a roles and rights management. First two user types are differentiated. These are:

- **Anonymous guest:** Guests have - without registration - limited access to OpenOLAT. They can only have a look at learning content enabled for guests, but cannot take part in learning activities. The link to the guest access can be found on the login page. Further information about guest can be found [here](#).
- **System user:** Every user has a distinct user name, which cannot be changed after the registration anymore. Users can use enabled learning content and can take part in learning activities. Additionally every user has an individual configurable landing page and storage available. Further more he can create groups.



Normally registered users without any further roles or rights are learners.

The screenshot shows the 'Manage user settings' page for a user named 'brunner'. The 'User type' is set to 'System user'. The 'Roles' section is highlighted with a red box, showing options for 'User management', 'Group management', 'Question bank manager', 'Author', 'System administrator', and 'Learning resource manager'. The 'Status' is set to 'Active'.

Roles

System users can get one or more roles additionally.

- **User management:** The user manager has access to the user management. He is able to create, edit, and delete users. Further more he can give the roles author, group, question bank or learning resource manager.
- **Group management:** The group manager has access to the group section and in there access to the tab group management. Further information to the group management can be found [here](#).

The screenshot shows the 'Group management' tab. The form includes fields for ID, Name, Coach, Description, and Course title. The 'Role' is set to 'all', 'Published' is 'all', and 'Linked with courses' is 'all'. The 'Orphans' checkbox is unchecked. The 'Search' and 'Cancel' buttons are visible. Below the form is a table with columns for Name, Course, Access, Registration, Last visit, Role, Leave, and Delete. The 'Create group' button is highlighted with a dashed blue box.

- **Question bank manager:** The question bank manager has access to the question bank. In there he is able to open the administration section. Further information about this role can be found [here](#).
- **Author:** The author has access to the authoring. Thus he is authorized to create courses and all other learning resources. In the search form authors can find all courses and learning resources as tests, films and portfolio templates which are accessible for authors. Often this role is taken by teachers or the e-learning support.
- **System administrator:** The system administrator has access to all courses, all learning resources, the question bank, the user management and the administration. He can give and revoke rights and delete courses permanently. This is the most extensive role.
- **Learning resource manager:** The learning resource manager has access to the authoring. He can see all courses, but can only copy and export the courses with OA access, analogue to the author. In the profile an institution can be added. The learning resource manager has owner rights for all courses, where the course owner has the same institution filled in in the profile as the learning resource manager.



Hinweis

Not every OpenOLAT instance is using all roles. If you have any questions regarding the role management please contact the support of your own OpenOLAT instance.



Hint

The access to certain sections like the authoring, the question bank or the coaching tool can be defined system wide independent of the role. This setting can be done by the administrator in the administration Customizing Sites.

Course rights

Users can be added to a course either directly as a member or via a group.

If a user is added to a course it can be defined which member rights the user should get in this course.

- **Owner:** The user has all rights in the course. He can edit a course, manage members and delete the course. So the owner is like the course administrator.
- **Coach:** The course coach has access to the assessment tool, as well as to the test and survey statistic. But a course coach cannot edit or delete a course. In the assessment tool a course coach can see the course participants, but not the group participants.
- **Participant:** A participant can open the course and edit everything where he got access right. A participant hasn't any further rights.

Member rights course ALL_KBS

Owner
 Coach
 Participant

Group memberships

Group	Coach	Assigned	Available	Coach	Participant	Waiting list
Gruppe Elefant	0	2	∞	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Handbuchgruppe	1	1	9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Group rights

In a group it is distinguished between coach and participant.

The group coach has almost the same rights as the course coach. In courses, where his group is assigned to, he has access right to the assessment tool as well as to the test and survey statistic. In the assessment tool he can only see the **participants** of his group.

In the user management of a course and then Rights further rights can be given to coaches or participants of assigned groups.

Rights

4 Entries

Groups	Role	Group management	Members management	Course editor	Archive tool	Assessment tool	Glossary tool	Course Statistics	Course database
Gruppe Elefant	Coach	<input type="checkbox"/>							
Gruppe Elefant	Participant	<input type="checkbox"/>							
Handbuchgruppe	Coach	<input type="checkbox"/>							
Handbuchgruppe	Participant	<input type="checkbox"/>							

Save Remove all permissions

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**Hint**

Course rights as well as group rights are independent of the role which a user got system wide in the user management. A system user without an assigned role can be course owner, course coach or group coach.

To avoid the access to the assessment tool for a given user, do not give any coach rights neither in the course nor in the groupe.