

## E-Newsletters: a step ahead: using Blogs as newsletters

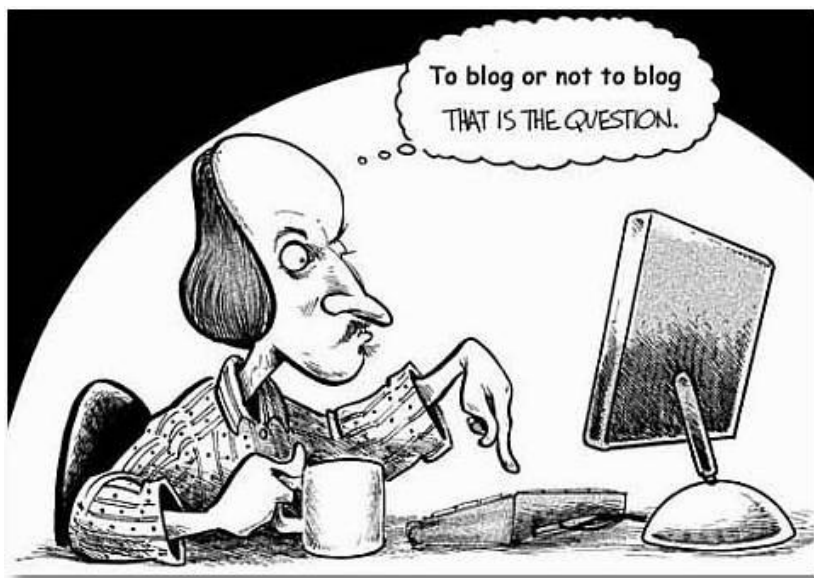


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# To Blog or Not to Blog ? That is the Question



<http://www.coxandforkum.com/>

## Steps before setting up your blog

Determine:

- the purpose of your blog
- your target audience
- how the lay-out of your blog should look like
- which blogging programme will best suit your needs

## Lay-out of the blog

- Use templates/or own design?
- One column or more than one?
- Own header or template header?
- Copyright licence?
- More than one page?
- Widgets?
- Comments?

## Deciding on right Blogging programme

- There are many programmes to choose from:



## The Education Library Blog @ the University of Pretoria: a case study

- Available at:  
<http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com>

## Purpose and target audience of the Blog

- To keep people informed of new trends and developments in services and products in the library as well as new trends and developments in the field of Education.
- Primary target: Students and academic staff of Faculty of Education
- Secondary target: researchers in the field of Education internationally (supports networking)

## Lay-out of Education Library Blog

- Used template from blogging programme
- Used 3 columns
- Used template header
- Used 4 pages
- Used a variety of widgets
- We allowed comments



## Why we decided on Wordpress?

- Many university libraries are using Wordpress. We used Cubberley Education Library's Blog at Stanford University as a benchmark.
- Wordpress had many of the features we wanted in a blog.
- You could easily add your own widgets to the blog (Customizable)
- The lay-out of the blog templates looked very professional
- The blog had a thorough statistical function
- The blog had a good Spam filter

# Features of the Education Library Blog

The screenshot shows the Education Library Blog website in a Windows Internet Explorer browser window. The browser's address bar displays the URL <http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/>. The page features a navigation menu with links for Home, About, Downloads, and Permission. A prominent blue banner reads "EDUCATION LIBRARY BLOG @ UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA". Below the banner, there are links for "Entries RSS" and "Comments RSS", and a search box. The main content area displays a post titled "Minister of Education proposes replacement of 3 year university degrees with 4 year degrees", posted on 15 August, 2008 by Johann van Wyk. The post text discusses the proposal to replace three-year university degrees with four-year courses in South Africa, citing the Minister of Education's proposal and the Council for Higher Education's acceptance. It also mentions the need for additional training for graduates and the high number of students who drop out. To the left of the main post, there is a section for "Education Library" with a photo of a building and a link to the "Library Website" (<http://www.library.up.ac.za/edu/>). Below this is a section for "New Books in the". To the right of the main post, there is a calendar for September 2008 and a "Google Translator" section. The browser's taskbar at the bottom shows the Windows logo, several application icons, and the system tray with the time 03:41 PM.

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- [Foundations for Learning Campaign/South Africa. Government Gazette. 14 March 2008, vol. 513, no.30880.](#)
- [Hervorming van basiese onderwys in Suid-Afrika/Paul Hoffman SC, Direkteur SGR](#)
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- [It's time to end the decade of confusion about OBE in South Africa/Spady](#)
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From: "Paul Hoffman" [phoffman@law.co.za](mailto:phoffman@law.co.za)  
To: Johann Van Wyk  
Re: CFCR article

Dear Johann,

None whatsoever - spreading light in the darkness is what we are all about. There will shortly be more on education on our website [www.cfcf.org.za](http://www.cfcf.org.za), look out for it.

Kind regards

Paul

----- Original Message -----  
From: [Johann VanWyk](#)  
To: [Paul Hoffman](#)  
Sent: Monday, April 14, 2008 11:34 AM  
Subject: Re: CFCR article

Dear Paul

Thank you for the prompt response! The English version will be fine. Would you have any objections if I put it up on our Library's blog? <http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com>

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15 August 2008, 09:31:49 AM | Johann van Wyk →

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The fourth year will thus be a bridging year to the workplace.

To read more go to the Star Newspaper article by [Clicking Here!](#)

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The screenshot shows a Windows Internet Explorer browser window displaying an RSS feed. The address bar shows the URL <http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/comments/feed/>. The browser title is "Comments for Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria".

The main content area features a yellow box with the following text:

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Below this box, there are three comment entries, each with a blue title and a horizontal line underneath:

- Comment on Spady: OBE in SA: Time to End the Confusion by Johann van Wyk**  
25 August 2008, 09:00:38 AM | Johann van Wyk →  
Dear Dr Aluko  
  
I have obtained the full text English version of the article from Dr Spady and have placed it on the Blog
- Comment on Spady: OBE in SA: Time to End the Confusion by Dr Ruth Aluko**  
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The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the system tray with the time 03:57 PM and Protected Mode: Off. The taskbar includes icons for Microsoft PowerPoint and the current browser window.

# Search function

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According to the Bloch fixing education will be a 30-year task, which must start now, with urgency. Everyone should be on board, unified around a vision for a learning nation. Priorities should be identified, phases for restoration should be stipulated, and a starting point chosen. The debate around this should not be once-off, but a process.

Bloch further highlights some elements that could help focus such a restoration plan.





- "Teachers. How do we motivate the teachers? With training and clear texts, quality can rise. Through a mixture of encouragement and support - where necessary 'gently' holding recalcitrants' feet to the fire, teachers will be central to the national endeavour. The best of our generations should aspire to teach".
- "Departments must do their part, especially at provincial level. Fill vacant and 'acting' posts, manage properly, deliver on time and at the right place. The focus should be on management and follow through, responsibility and accountability".
- "Society can rally around to ensure government structures fulfill their tasks".
- "Corporate social investment spending is increasingly focused in clusters of schools over a consistent and long period across a range of programmes of support".
- "Many graduates can organise to plough back into schools and help in a systematic way".
- "Community programmes such as Proudly Manenberg, Tikkun, or efforts like those by the parents of Piet N Aphane High pupils in rural Limpopo, show that schools can be improved at grassroots level".
- "A huge change in our mindset, accompanied by a massive effort, is needed to improve the quality of education, especially in the poorer schools where the majority of the disadvantaged are".

To read the Pretoria News Article [Click Here!](#)

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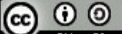
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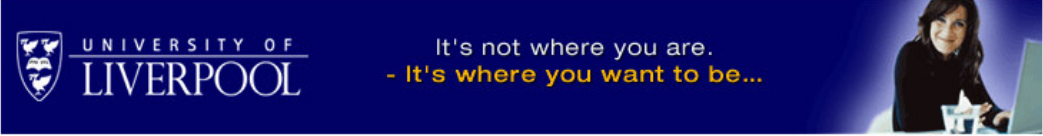
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Business and civil society in South Africa recently expressed support for a proposal to introduce a single qualifications body in education in their submissions to the portfolio commission on Education. In terms of the draft National Qualifications Framework Bill, the South African Qualifications Authority would be responsible for the development, registration and publication of qualifications. At present, Umalusi is [...]


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# Behind the scenes

The image shows a screenshot of a Windows Internet Explorer browser displaying the WordPress dashboard for the 'Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria'. The browser's address bar shows the URL 'http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/'. The dashboard header includes navigation links like 'My Account', 'My Dashboards', and 'New Post', along with user information 'Howdy, Johann van Wyk' and options for 'Log Out', 'Help', 'Forums', and 'Turbo Support'. The main content area features a yellow announcement box about SSL protection, a 'Dashboard' section with a 'Right Now' summary, and two widget boxes for 'Recent Comments' and 'Incoming Links'. The 'Right Now' summary provides statistics: 52 posts, 3 pages, 3 drafts, 23 categories, 271 tags, 20 total comments (10 approved, 10 spam, 0 awaiting moderation), and 16 widgets. The bottom of the screen shows the Windows taskbar with the Start button and several open applications: Novell GroupWise, Internet Explorer, and Microsoft PowerPoint. The system clock indicates the time is 08:44 AM.

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# Write posts or pages

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# Functionalities of writing a post

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# Functionalities of writing a post (Continued)

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**Categories Section:**

- A '+ Add New Category' link is visible at the top.
- Under 'Most Used', there is a list of categories with checkboxes:
  - Minister of Education South Africa
  - Events
  - Higher Education
  - Uncategorized
  - New Books
  - Edu News (International)
- A link for 'All Categories' is provided.

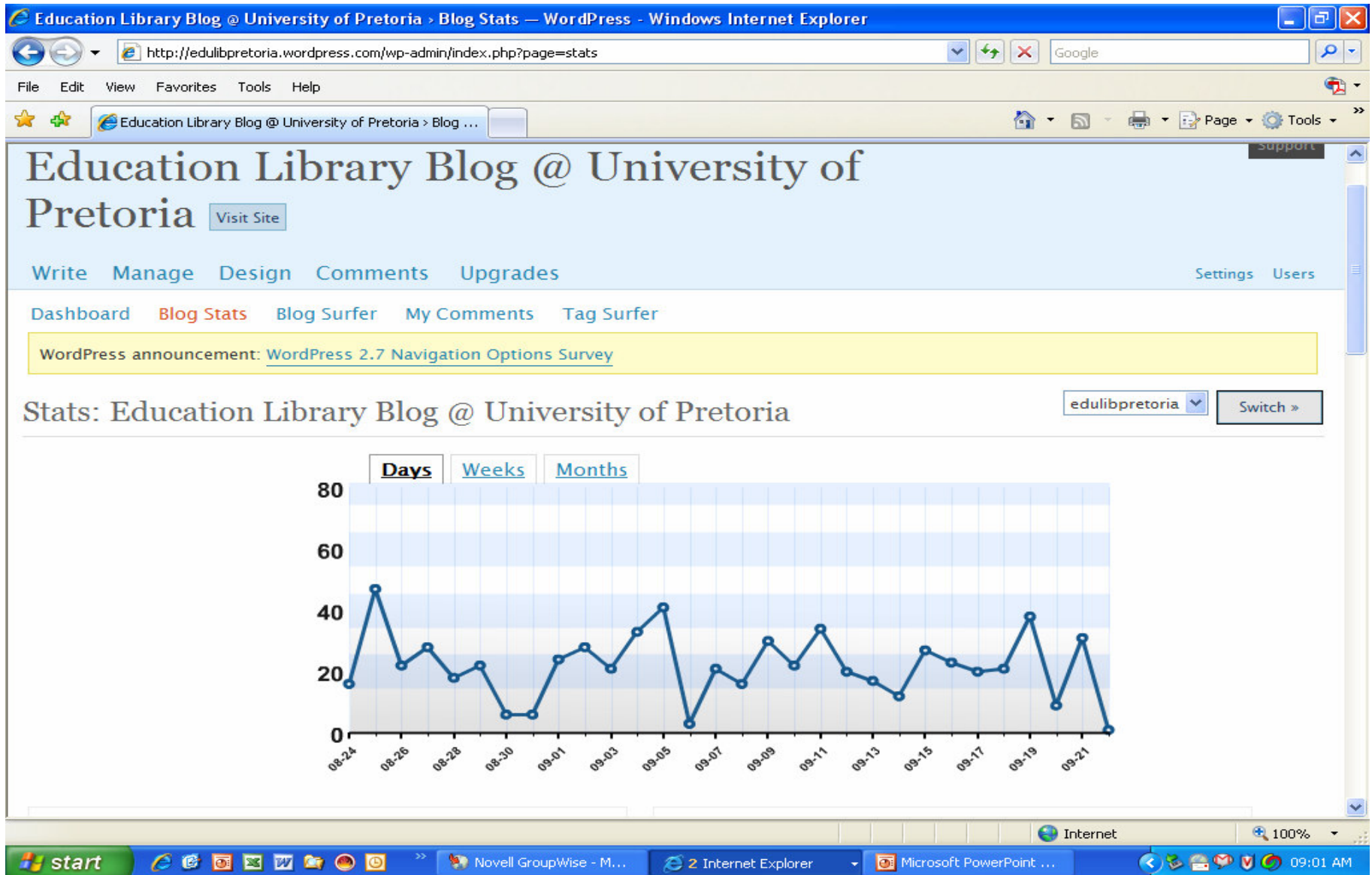
**Advanced Options Section:**

- Excerpt:** A section with a right-pointing arrow icon.
- Trackbacks:** A section with a downward-pointing arrow icon. It includes a text input field for 'Send trackbacks to:' with the instruction '(Separate multiple URLs with spaces)'. Below the field, a paragraph explains: 'Trackbacks are a way to notify legacy blog systems that you've linked to them. If you link other WordPress blogs they'll be notified automatically using [pingbacks](#), no other action necessary.'
- Comments & Pings:** A section with a downward-pointing arrow icon. A checkbox for 'Allow Comments' is visible and checked.

On the right side of the page, there is a sidebar with a message: 'Drag-and-drop the following link to your bookmarks bar or right click it and add it to your favorites for a posting shortcut. [Press This](#)'.

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## Top Posts & Pages

These posts on your blog got the most traffic.

### Today

Title	Views
<a href="#">UP Bookjol: Opening Speech: Mathews Phos</a>	1

### Yesterday

Title	Views
<a href="#">Study on violence in South African schoo</a>	1
<a href="#">Pandor dispels teaching myths</a>	1
<a href="#">Minister of Education proposes replaceme</a>	1
<a href="#">Save the OBE system in South African sch</a>	1
<a href="#">Permission</a>	1
<a href="#">Teaching Reading In The Early Grades: A</a>	1
<a href="#">Downloads</a>	1
<a href="#">Spady: OBE in SA: Time to End the Confus</a>	1
<a href="#">About</a>	1

## Search Engine Terms

## Clicks

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# Blogs Stats (Continued)

Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > Blog Stats — WordPress - Windows Internet Explorer

http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/index.php?page=stats

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > Blog ...

### Search Engine Terms

These are terms people used to find your blog.

#### Today

Search	Views
mathews phosa	1

#### Yesterday

Search	Views
obe south africa	2
teachers comments on teaching reading	1
language training portuguese pretoria	1
myths about teaching	1
international violence schools statistic	1

### Blog Stats

Summary Tables

Total views: 6,489

Busiest day: 144 — [Wednesday, April 16, 2008](#)

Views today: 1

### Clicks

Your visitors clicked these links on your blog.

#### Today

None

#### Yesterday

URL	Clicks
<a href="http://translate.google.com/translate?u=edul...">translate.google.com/translate?u=edul...</a>	2
<a href="http://translate.google.com/translate?u=edul...">translate.google.com/translate?u=edul...</a>	1
<a href="http://www3.clustrmaps.com/user/0bc46092">www3.clustrmaps.com/user/0bc46092</a>	1
<a href="http://addthis.com/bookmark.php">addthis.com/bookmark.php</a>	1
<a href="http://edulibpretoria.files.wordpress.com/20...">edulibpretoria.files.wordpress.com/20...</a>	1
<a href="http://translate.google.com/translate?u=edul...">translate.google.com/translate?u=edul...</a>	1

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# Blog Stats (Continued)

The screenshot shows a Windows Internet Explorer browser window displaying the WordPress admin interface for the 'Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria'. The address bar shows the URL: <http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/index.php?page=stats>. The page title is 'Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > Blog Stats — WordPress - Windows Internet Explorer'. The main content area displays the 'Blog Stats' summary, which includes the following data:

- Blog Stats** (Summary Tables)
- Total views: 6,489
- Busiest day: 144 — [Wednesday, April 16, 2008](#)
- Views today: [1](#)
- Totals**
- Posts: 52
- Comments: 10
- Categories: 23
- Tags: 271
- Spam**
- [Akismet](#) has protected your site from [531 spam comments](#).

Just a note: we don't count your own visits to your blog. All times are in GMT.

The footer of the page includes the WordPress logo, the text 'Thank you for creating with WordPress | [Frequently Asked Questions](#)', and the 'browsehappy' logo with the tagline 'switch today.'.

The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the Start button, several application icons, and the system tray with the time '09:05 AM' and 'Internet' connection status.

# Akismet Spamfilter

The screenshot shows the Akismet Spamfilter admin interface within a Windows Internet Explorer browser. The browser's address bar displays the URL: `http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/edit-comments.php?page=akismet-admin`. The page title is "Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria - Akismet Spam".

The interface includes a navigation menu with options: "My Account", "My Dashboards", "New Post", "Blog Info", "Support", "physioconf", "HIV/AIDS and Education", "Howdy, Johann van Wyk!", "Log Out", "Help", "Forums", and "Turbo".

The main heading is "Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria" with a "Visit Site" button. Below this are tabs for "Write", "Manage", "Design", "Comments" (selected), and "Upgrades". There are also "Settings" and "Users" links.

The "Comments" section shows "Akismet Spam (10)". The main heading for this section is "Caught Spam".

The text states: "Akismet has caught **531 spam** for you since you first installed it. You can delete all of the spam from your database with a single click. This operation cannot be undone, so you may wish to check to ensure that no legitimate comments got through first. Spam is automatically deleted after 15 days, so don't sweat it."

Below this text is a "Delete all" button. The text continues: "There are currently 10 comments identified as spam. These are the latest comments identified as spam by Akismet. If you see any mistakes, simply mark the comment as 'not spam' and Akismet will learn from the submission. If you wish to recover a comment from spam, simply select the comment, and click Not Spam. After 15 days we clean out the junk for you."

At the bottom, there is a filter bar with "All" selected, and "Comments (8)" and "Pingback (2)" options. A search box with the text "Search Spam >" is also present.

The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the Start button, several application icons, and the system tray with the time "09:08 AM".

# Comments to E-mail

(Archive) - Mail From: "donotreply@wordpress.com" <donotreply@wordpress.com>

File Edit View Actions Tools Accounts Window Help

Close Reply Forward

Mail Properties Personalize Message Source

**From:** "donotreply@wordpress.com" <donotreply@wordpress.com> 2008/08/18 01:32 PM  
**To:** Johann VanWyk  
**Subject:** [Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria] Please moderate: "Spady: OBE in SA: Time to End the Confusion"

A new comment on the post #99 "Spady: OBE in SA: Time to End the Confusion" is waiting for your approval  
<http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/2008/04/03/spady-obe-in-sa-time-to-end-the-confusion/>

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URL : <http://www.undp-equaip.org>  
Whois : <http://ws.arin.net/cgi-bin/whois.pl?queryinput=193.188.80.50>

Comment:  
I liked to access the summary of W. Spady's article on the result of implementing OBE in SA. Unfortunately however, when I tried to subscribe to the library by following the link above I couldn't get through. Is there a way for obtaining the summary. Thanks.

Approve it: <http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/comment.php?action=mac&c=85>  
Delete it: <http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/comment.php?action=cdc&c=85>  
Spam it: <http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/comment.php?action=cdc&dt=spam&c=85>

Currently 1 comment is waiting for approval. Please visit the moderation panel:  
[http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/edit-comments.php?comment\\_status=moderated](http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/edit-comments.php?comment_status=moderated)

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# Comments approved on site

Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > Edit Comments — WordPress - Windows Internet Explorer

http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/edit-comments.php

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > Edit ...

<input type="checkbox"/>	 <b>Johann van Wyk</b> johann.vanwyk@up.ac.za   137.215.6.53	2008/08/18	Unapprove   Spam   Delete
<p>Dear Dr Yaghi</p> <p>Thank you for your comment to our Education Library Blog. I will send the article by Spady "OBE in SA: Time to End the Confusion" via e-mail to you. Unfortunately the article was only written in Afrikaans, but the first part of the article has an abstract/summary in English.</p> <p>From Spady: OBE in SA: Time to End the Confusion, 2008/08/18 at 11:50 AM</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/>	 <b>Dr. Ali Yaghi</b> http://www.undp-equaip.org   ali.yaghi@undp.org   193.188.80.50	2008/08/18	Unapprove   Spam   Delete
<p>I liked to access the summary of W. Spady's article on the result of implementing OBE in SA. Unfortunately however, when I tried to subscribe to the library by following the link above I couldn't get through. Is there a way for obtaining the summary. Thanks.</p> <p>From Spady: OBE in SA: Time to End the Confusion, 2008/08/18 at 11:20 AM</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/>	 <b>Ideprocattalep</b> http://www.fun-sms.ro/forum/index.php?showtopic=1...   sweet0608@ua.fm   81.203.165.103	2008/08/02	Unapprove   Spam   Delete
<p>Brilliant!</p> <p>From Pandor dispels teaching myths, 2008/08/02 at 10:12 PM</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/>	 <b>Chrissy</b> http://www.lrobb.com/web/guest/teachingbooks   chrissy517@gmail.com   75.155.122.116	2008/04/02	Unapprove   Spam   Delete
<p>Teaching reading has come second nature for me with the help of Laura Robb of course. Without her book, Differentiating Reading instruction, I would not know where to start. I find her book easy to teach and easy to understand. Everything is laid out so clearly. A must have for teachers!!</p> <p>From Teaching Reading in The Early Grades: A Teacher's Manual, 2008/04/02 at 4:02 AM</p>			

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# Settings

The screenshot shows the WordPress administration interface for the 'Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria'. The browser is Windows Internet Explorer, displaying the URL `http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/options-general.php`. The page title is 'Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > General Settings — WordPress - Windows Internet Explorer'. The navigation menu includes 'Write', 'Manage', 'Design', 'Comments', 'Upgrades', 'Settings' (highlighted with a red circle), and 'Users'. Below the navigation, there are sub-menus for 'General', 'Writing', 'Reading', 'Discussion', 'Privacy', 'Delete Blog', 'Media', 'OpenID', and 'Domains'. The main content area is titled 'General Settings' and contains several configuration sections:

- Blog Title:** Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria
- Tagline:** Information of value to clients of the Education library of the University of Pretoria. Below the text box, it says: 'In a few words, explain what this blog is about.'
- Language:** en - English. Below the dropdown, it says: 'Language this blog is primarily written in. You can also [modify the interface language](#) in your profile.'
- E-mail address:** johann.vanwyk@up.ac.za. Below the text box, it says: 'This address is used only for admin purposes. If you change this we will send you an email at your new address to confirm it. **The new address will not become active until confirmed.**'
- Membership:**  Users must be registered and logged in to comment
- Timezone:** UTC hours. Below the dropdown, it says: 'UTC time is 2008-09-22 7:13:49'. At the bottom of this section, it says: 'Unfortunately, you have to manually update this for Davlight Savinas Time. Lame, we know, but will be fixed in the future.'

The status bar at the bottom shows 'Done' and the taskbar includes the Start button, Internet Explorer, and several open applications: '(Archive) - Nove...', '(Archive) - Mail ...', '2 Internet Exp...', and 'Microsoft Power...'. The system clock shows '09:20 AM'.

# Privacy

The screenshot shows the WordPress administration interface for the 'Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria'. The browser window title is 'Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > Privacy Settings — WordPress - Windows Internet Explorer'. The address bar shows the URL 'http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/options-privacy.php'. The page header includes navigation links like 'My Account', 'My Dashboards', and 'New Post', along with a user greeting 'Howdy, Johann van Wyk!' and links for 'Log Out', 'Help', 'Forums', and 'Turbo'. The main content area features the site title 'Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria' with a 'Visit Site' button. Below this is a menu with 'Write', 'Manage', 'Design', 'Comments', and 'Upgrades' (highlighted with a red arrow), and 'Settings' and 'Users' buttons. A secondary menu includes 'General', 'Writing', 'Reading', 'Discussion', 'Privacy' (highlighted with a red arrow), 'Delete Blog', 'Media', 'OpenID', and 'Domains'. The 'Privacy Settings' section is titled and contains a 'Blog Visibility' section with three radio button options: 'I would like my blog to be visible to everyone, including search engines (like Google, Sphere, Technorati) and archivers' (selected), 'I would like to block search engines, but allow normal visitors', and 'I would like my blog to be visible only to users I choose'. A 'Save Changes' button is located below the options. The footer includes a WordPress logo, the text 'Thank you for creating with WordPress | Frequently Asked Questions', and a 'brourehanou' logo with the tagline 'switch today.'. The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the start button, several open applications, and the system tray with the time '09:36 AM'.

Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > Privacy Settings — WordPress - Windows Internet Explorer

http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/options-privacy.php

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > Priva...

My Account My Dashboards New Post Blog Info

Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria physioconf HIV/AIDS and Education Howdy, Johann van Wyk! Log Out Help Forums Turbo Support

## Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria

Visit Site

Write Manage Design Comments Upgrades Settings Users

General Writing Reading Discussion Privacy Delete Blog Media OpenID Domains

### Privacy Settings

**Blog Visibility**

- I would like my blog to be visible to everyone, including search engines (like Google, Sphere, Technorati) and archivers
- I would like to block search engines, but allow normal visitors
- I would like my blog to be visible only to users I choose

Save Changes

Thank you for creating with WordPress | Frequently Asked Questions

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# Users and roles

Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > Users — WordPress - Windows Internet Explorer

http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/users.php

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > User...

Settings **Users**

Authors & Users Your Profile Invites

## Manage Users

Search Users

### All Users

Remove

<input type="checkbox"/>	Username	Name	E-mail	Role	Posts
<input type="checkbox"/>	clarisseven		clarisse.venter@up.ac.za	Administrator	17
<input type="checkbox"/>	edulibpretoria		johann.vanwyk@up.ac.za	Administrator	35
<input type="checkbox"/>	p1240285		sonja.delport@up.ac.za	Administrator	0

Add User From Community

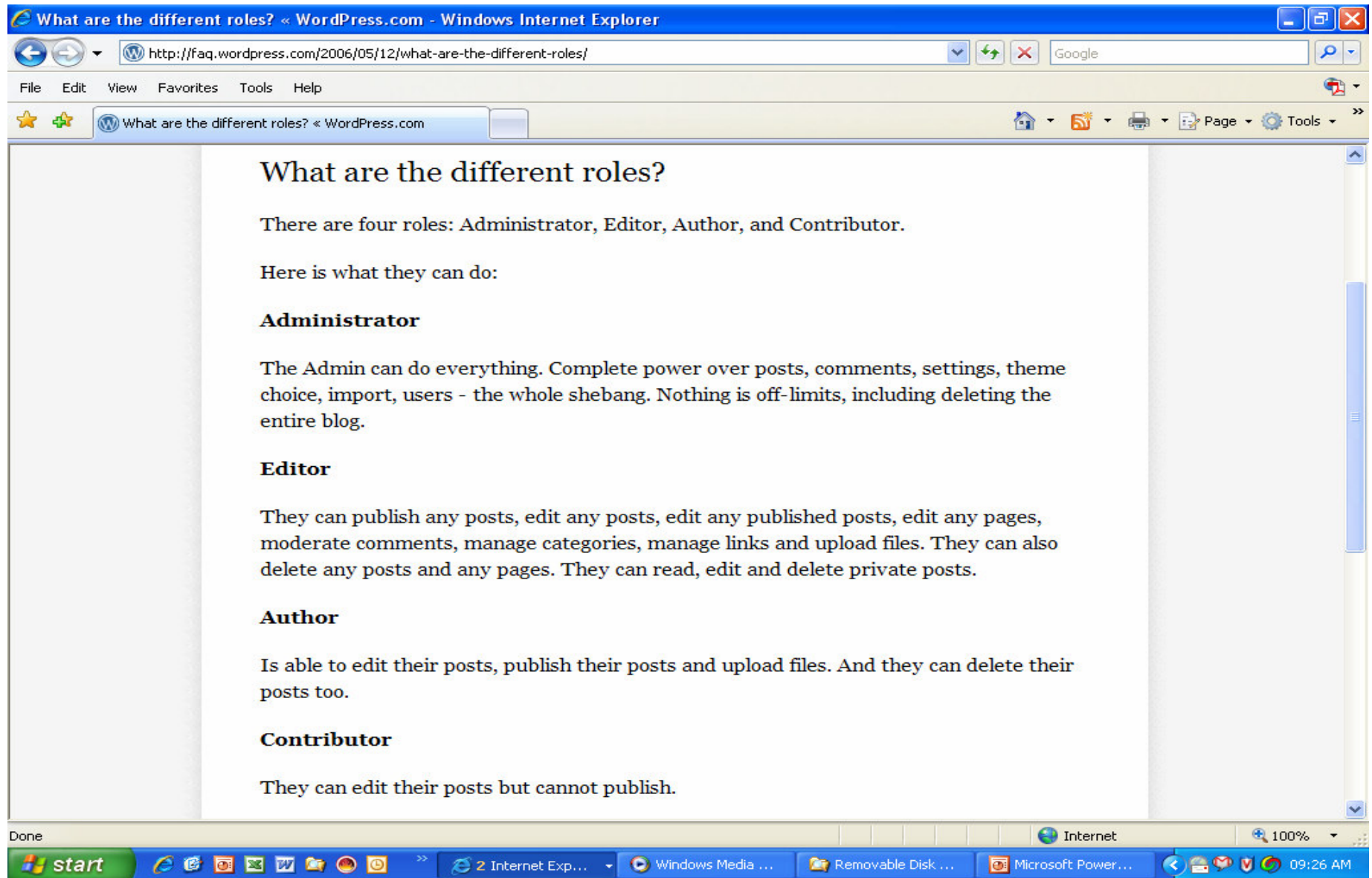
Type the e-mail address of another WordPress.com user to add them to your blog.

User E-Mail:

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# Users and Roles (Continued)



The screenshot shows a Windows Internet Explorer browser window. The title bar reads "What are the different roles? « WordPress.com - Windows Internet Explorer". The address bar contains the URL "http://faq.wordpress.com/2006/05/12/what-are-the-different-roles/". The page content is as follows:

## What are the different roles?

There are four roles: Administrator, Editor, Author, and Contributor.

Here is what they can do:

**Administrator**

The Admin can do everything. Complete power over posts, comments, settings, theme choice, import, users - the whole shebang. Nothing is off-limits, including deleting the entire blog.

**Editor**

They can publish any posts, edit any posts, edit any published posts, edit any pages, moderate comments, manage categories, manage links and upload files. They can also delete any posts and any pages. They can read, edit and delete private posts.

**Author**

Is able to edit their posts, publish their posts and upload files. And they can delete their posts too.

**Contributor**

They can edit their posts but cannot publish.

The browser's taskbar at the bottom shows the Start button, several open applications (Internet Explorer, Windows Media Center, Removable Disk, Microsoft PowerPoint), and the system tray with the time 09:26 AM.

# Manage Function

Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > Posts — WordPress - Windows Internet Explorer

http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/edit.php

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > Post...

## Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria

Visit Site

Write **Manage** Design Comments Upgrades Settings Users

Posts Pages Links Categories Tags Link Categories Media Library Import Export

### Manage Posts

Search Posts

All Posts | Published (52) | Drafts (3)

Delete Show all dates View all categories Filter 1 2 3 4 Next »

Date	Title	Author	Categories	Tags	Status	Stats
2008/08/15	<b>Minister of Education proposes replacement of 3 year university degrees with 4 year degrees</b>	Johann van Wyk	Edu News (South Africa), Higher Education, Minister of Education South Africa	South Africa, universities, 3 year degrees, 4 year degrees, bridging year, language skills, lack, curriculum changes, indigenous language, African History, African civilisation, dropout-rate, academic language, independent research skills, learning skills	Published	0
2008/08/15	<b>Sweeping changes announced for South African schools</b>	Johann van Wyk	Edu News (South Africa), Higher Education, Minister of Education South Africa	Further Education and Training Colleges, Grade 9, Internet access, Naledi Pandor, National Certificate, policy changes, Schools, smaller class sizes, South Africa, teacher-pupil ratios	Published	0
2008/08/06	<b>South African teachers not adequately equipped to teach maths</b>	Johann van Wyk	Edu News (South Africa)	Concerned Maths Educators, Educators, ill-equipped, mathematics, teachers, teaching, training	Published	0

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# Design Function

Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > Manage Themes — WordPress - Windows Internet Explorer

http://edulibpretoria.wordpress.com/wp-admin/themes.php

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria > Man...


## Education Library Blog @ University of Pretoria

Visit Site

Write Manage **Design** Comments Upgrades Settings Users

Themes Widgets Extras Custom Image Header Edit CSS




### Current Theme

 **Digg 3 Column by [Small Potato](#)**  
Digg-like 3 column theme with two sidebars and a customizable header.  
OPTIONS: [Widgets](#) | [Extras](#) | [Custom Image Header](#) | [Edit CSS](#)  
Tags: custom header, three columns, fixed width, page navigation

### Available Themes

Show all themes Filter

1 2 3 4 5 Next »

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## Finally

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