BUDDYBUSINESS
WPMU/BuddyPress Themes

PROFESSIONAL ISN'T BORING WITH BUDDYPRESS BUSINESS

BuddyPress Business gives you all the power of a content management system along with the community features of BuddyPress available in 4 beautiful pre-made themes with the ability to create your own look easily. Packed full of features and configurations, BuddyPress Business is the perfect new theme for your site.

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BUDDYPRESS BUSINESS MANUAL

This manual is a rough guide to the various elements and capabilities of the BuddyPress Business theme. As with any theme you can get more support from the forums should you wish it.
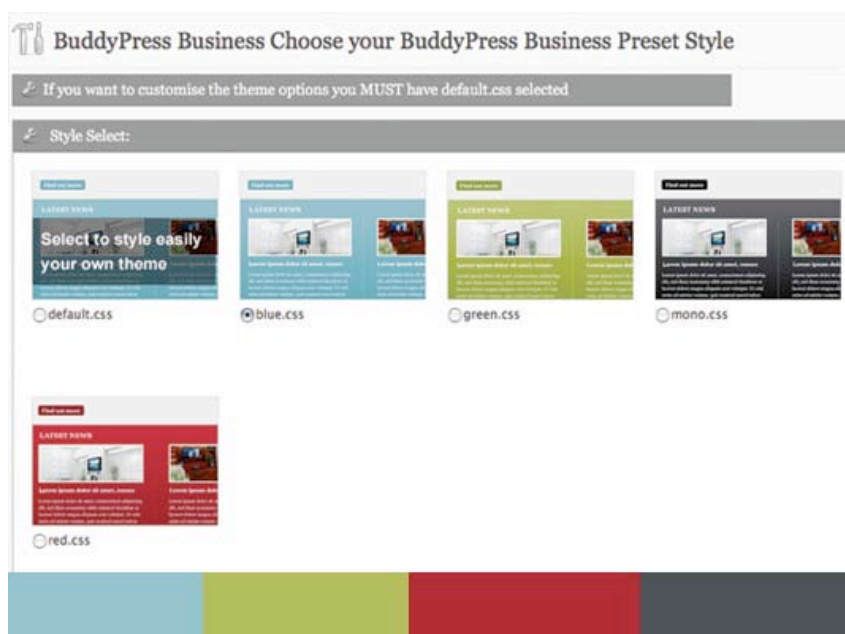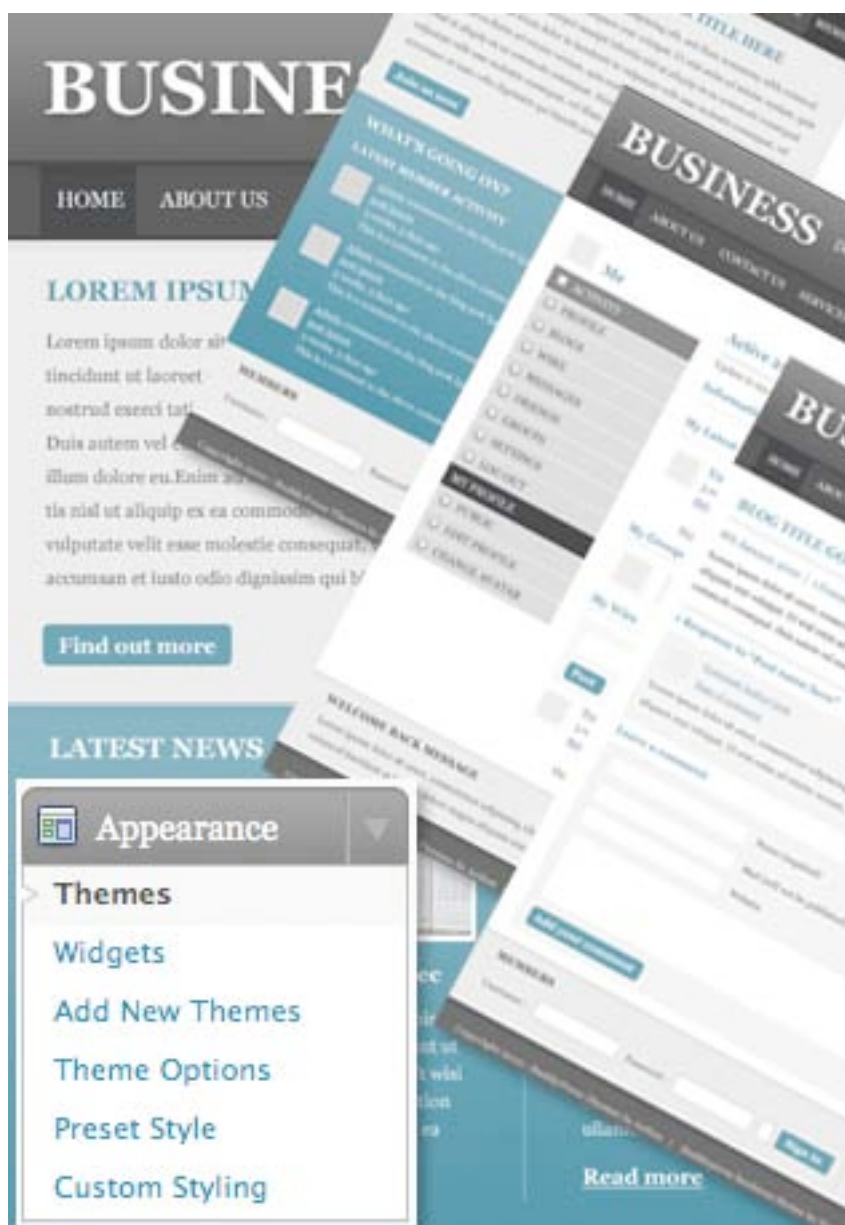
BUDDYPRESS GETS DOWN TO BUSINESS...

BuddyPress Business is a powerful theme designed to bring a professional look and functions to your BuddyPress site.

PACKED WITH FEATURES...

BuddyPress Business is not only a good looking theme it comes with a ton of features too:

- 3 page templates
- 2 feature templates
- Easily configurable community feature page
- Fully customizable front and community page sections
- Post images without the need for custom fields and even set the size
- Latest news section configurable to a category
- Configurable messages through out the site
- Add a RSS feed link to your front page
- Multiple sidebars: show different content depending on what part of the site users are on
- 4 attractive professional theme styles
- Create your own theme style using the easy styling system
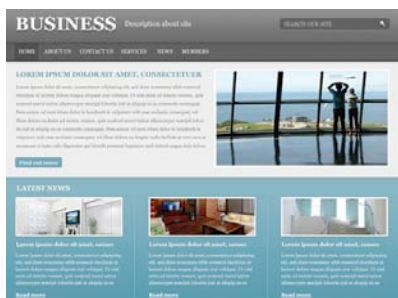- Parent and child theme allowing for easy updates

BUDDYPRESS BUSINESS THEME OPTIONS

With BuddyPress Business you can easily customize what you can see on your site without the need to know how to edit a theme or touch a line of code.

FRONT PAGE SETTINGS
Set front page page featured content which will automatically show featured image
Select size of featured image
Turn on / off featured page content showing in navigation
Add a link for featured section
Add a title for the featured section link
Select a category for the latest news section
Select size of latest news images
Set if you have latest posts showing and a sidebar or just latest posts showing on the front page
HEADER SETTINGS
Upload a custom image large or square
Enter a site title
Enter a site description
Turn on / off site description / site titles
MEMBER AND NON-MEMBER MESSAGE SETTINGS
Enter a message for non-members
Enter a message for members
COMMUNITY PAGE SETTINGS
Set community page featured content which will automatically show featured image
Turn on / off community page content showing in navigation
Add a link for community featured section
Add a title for community featured section
Select number of members to show in thumbnail section
Select number of recent activity to show
RSS FEED SETTINGS
Add a RSS feed link for the Follow Us in footer link

BUDDYPRESS BUSINESS TEMPLATES

FRONT PAGE
Feature content area that pulls from a page you can turn on and off in the navigation and automatically picks a featured image. Latest news you can set to a category.
Name: Homepage/home.php

COMMUNITY PAGE
Feature content area that pulls from a page you can turn on and off in the navigation. Show recent activity and random members along with site statistics.
Name: Members

FULL WIDTH
A simple but beautiful full width content page template
Name: Full width

RIGHT SIDEBAR
The default template for blog pages and sidebar pages that you can also select as a page template.
Name: Right sidebar

LEFT SIDEBAR
Don't like your sidebar on the right? Select the left sidebar template.
Name: Left sidebar

3 COLUMN
Get more content on your page with 2 sidebars and a main content area.
Name: 3 columns

BLOG / NEWS
Three is also a blog page template now you can set for blog or news.
Name: Blog and news

BUDDYPRESS BUSINESS FAQ

HOW DO YOU CREATE THE COMMUNITY PAGE?

BuddyPress Business comes with a page template all set up ready to allow feature what's going on in your community.

1. Create a new page
2. Add your content
3. On the left under template select Members as the template
4. Save the page

HOW DO YOU CREATE YOUR OWN THEME STYLE?

Want to make your own theme?

1. Under preset styles select default.css
2. Go to Custom styling under the Appearance tab to the left.

WHAT SIDEBARS ARE THERE?

BuddyPress Business comes with a large selection of sidebars you can add widgets to here is a quick guide.

1. blog-sidebar: for your main blog pages.
2. 3colleft-sidebar: for your 3 column template left sidebar
3. 3colright-sidebar: for your 3 column template right sidebar
4. 404-sidebar: for your 404 page
5. left-sidebar: for your left sidebar template
6. members-sidebar: for your members area page
7. page-sidebar: for your page sidebar if using default page template
8. groups-sidebar: sidebar for member group pages
9. forum-sidebar: sidebar for member forum pages
10. home-sidebar: sidebar for your home page if you have show sidebar on home on

HOW DO I CHANGE THE MESSAGES THAT APPEAR ON PAGES LIKE ARCHIVES AND SEARCH PAGES?

BuddyPress Business comes with a directory under the parent template folder called elements/ that has several pages that you can easily change the messages in. If you do not want to edit those pages you can easily use a WordPress translation file as all text has a unique identifier of bp_business. To change messages like you would want to change text in messages.php and to change blog header messages you'd want to change blog-headers.php

WHAT IS A PARENT AND CHILD THEME FOR BUDDYPRESS?

We also provide child themes with all of our BuddyPress themes which enable you to customise your own files without having those changes overwritten when we update a theme. To find out more about parent and children themes please visit http://premium.wpmudev.org/the-buddypress-manual/what-are-parent-and-child-themes/.

If you are using a child theme you need not activate the parent just activate the child theme. Remember to check each new version of the theme for any changes in your child theme that may have been done in the parent. Also when you update a theme just do not update the child only update the parent and all your changes will be kept.

BUDDYPRESS BUSINESS INSTALLATION

INSTALLING THE THEME

1. Unzip the downloaded zip file
2. You should see several files and folders depending on your theme package
3. Upload the entire bp-scholar/ folder to wp-content/themes/
4. Login to your dashboard >> Appearance and activate the theme - if you using WPMU, you need to go to site admin and activate the theme before it shows in Appearance
5. Your theme should be now be activated and ready for use

*Make sure your install path is themes/ not themes/themes/thethemename/

For this theme under wp-content/themes/ you should have:
bp-scholar/
bp-scholar-child/

HOW DO YOU SELECT WHAT FRONT PAGE TO SHOW?

BuddyPress Scholar by default shows the home page template but you can under settings > reading decide if you want to have the activity stream on the front instead.

You can even using our wide variety of page templates set one of those by creating a page and then selecting the template. You can do this to also create a blog or news page.

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