INSTITUTE WRITING PROGRAM

THE WRITING CENTER

Posts vs. Pages

You may be wondering what the difference is between posts and pages. See the table below for all the things that you can do with each.

		Posts	Pages
1	Included on home page showcase (if theme pulls in rolling posts)	X	
2	You can set a static page on homepage		X
3	Comments always allowed	X	
4	RSS feed compatible	X	
5	Better for permanent content (ex. About Me)		X
6	Can be tagged	X	
7	Can be attached to a category	X	
8	Can be a menu item on its own		X
9	Can be a menu item as a link	X	
10	Contains visible meta data	X	
11	Can be connected together (hit previous/next for other like posts)	X	

- 1. You have the option to make your main page (sites.vmi.edu/your username) show all your latest posts.
- 2. You can make your main page a static page that you can set up yourself (will not showcase your posts)
- 3. Comments are always allowed on posts, but only sometimes on pages depending on your settings.
- 4. Posts can be made part of an RSS (Rich Site Summary) feed.
- 5. Pages are better for permanent content because it is easier to attach one to your menu and move it around, and it won't show up as a post in your list of most recent posts.
- 6. Only posts can be tagged. Tags are a great way to organize your content and find content later on.
- 7. Only posts can be attached to a category, which is a great way to organize all of your posts.
- 8. Pages can be easily attached to a menu straight from the menu workspace.
- 9. Posts can be attached to a menu, but only if you enter in the link to the post in the menu workspace.
- 10. Posts contain visible metadata like date published, author, etc.
- 11. Some themes will link posts together with "next/previous" buttons so that you can navigate through them easily.