# Drupal Short Sessions - News 3up

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In our Flexible Content Items, we have a great way to display Syndicated News Teasers to enhance your page.

- News 3-up -
  - A list of 3 News Teasers with a heading, optional introduction and a More News button to get you to a longer listing page.

This will only display News Teasers under specific rules called Syndication.

# How can we share News across the site? (Syndication overview)

#### Syndication - What is it and Why do I care?

**BEFORE WE BEGIN, Let's define Syndication** 

Syndication is pretty complex, but here is an easy way to think about it: there is something that is already created that you want to display in another spot, usually as a way to advertise or share it.

Syndication has three very basic parts to it:

- What to share
- Where to share it
- · How to get it shareable

*What to Share* - This **is called Syndicatable Content**. This is any Event, Announcement, News article, or Story on our website.

Where to share it - By using Flex Content Items on a different page, we can display a small list of select Syndicatable Content. This small list usually displays each item in what we call a *Teaser*. Teasers typically consist of a title, image and other brief information like a date or location.

How to get it shareable - By using certain settings on the Syndicatable Content, like tags or display theme,

we can get the item to easily appear in another spot.

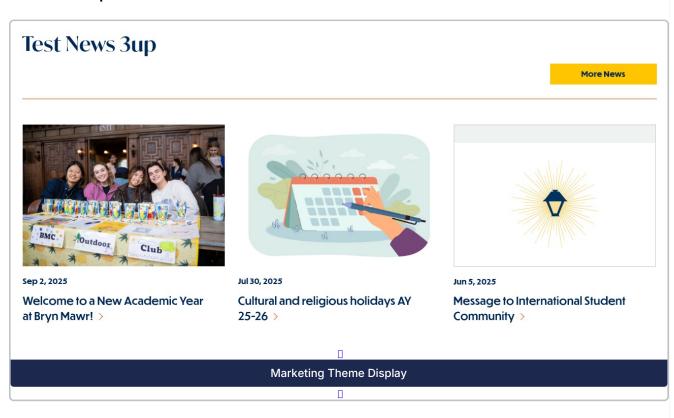
Like I said, Syndication is pretty complex. I won't get into it any more here, but to learn more about syndication, themes and tags as well as see examples, please watch our Syndication video and/or read our Drupal Short Sessions - Syndication article

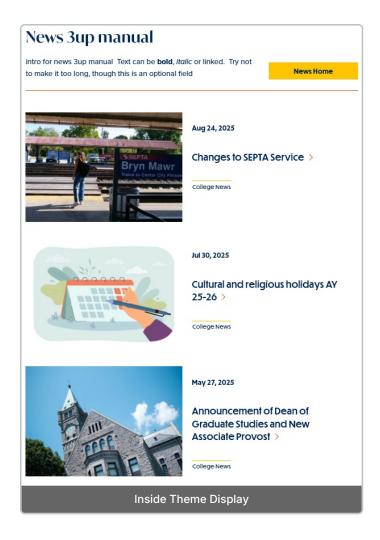
The following is how to add a News 3up Flex Content Item to your page to help display select News Teasers in this type of Flex Content Item.

# Why would I choose News+Contact or News 3-up?

The most popular way to show News Teasers for either a particular tag on your page or manually selected, is to use the News 3-up. This Flex Item works as a nice listing of News Teasers to enhance your page.

News teasers are seen on listing pages, like: https://www.brynmawr.edu/news, □ as well as on pages that use a **News 3up** Flex Content Item.





# How to add a News 3-up to your page

As with any Flexible Content Item, you can add a News 3-up to a basic page. This can be added to any of the following types of pages: Basic Page, Event, Office/Services, or Story.

This Flexible Content Item allows you to curate a listing of up to three (3) news articles either by tag or by manually selecting the ones you know you want to advertise in this list.

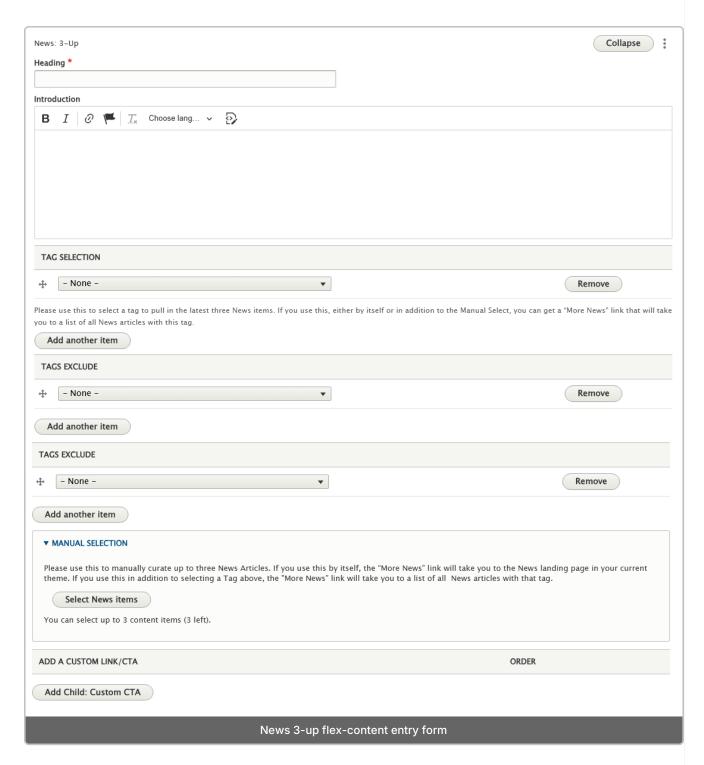
These news articles display in a styled list of (up to) three teasers.

# News: 3-Up

This Flexible Content Item provides a great place to curate the three latest News items either by tag or by manually selecting them. To create this listing as a News 3up, you have a Heading and Intro field, along

with selecting News by tag or manual selection, plus a custom CTA.

To read more about the Custom CTA, please read this section of our Syndication article ...



If you choose a tag you will get up to three of the latest News articles associated with that tag. It is possible that if you choose a tag nothing could show up on the page. This is usually because either there are no News articles with that tag association or it may not be permitted to display in the page's main theme.

**A Note on Tags:** For News, Events, Announcements, and Story it is worth noting that using the tag approach will keep content fresh by updating the the latest 3/4 items. *Manually selecting items will require manual upkeep to keep content fresh as these will not update on their own.* 

In our example here, we chose the tag Messages from the College

### **Test News 3up**

**More News** 



Sep 11, 2025
Announcing Project Digicomm >



Update to Staff Vacation Policy and Winter Break Extension >



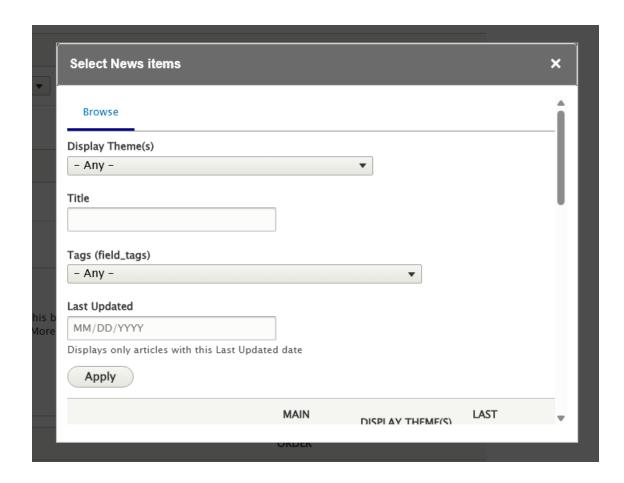
Welcome to a New Academic Year at Bryn Mawr! >

If no news articles are showing up, you can circumvent this by using Manual Selection, which allows you to choose any News article to display, up to three.

Press the Select News Item button in the Manual Selection area of the News 3up Flex-content form

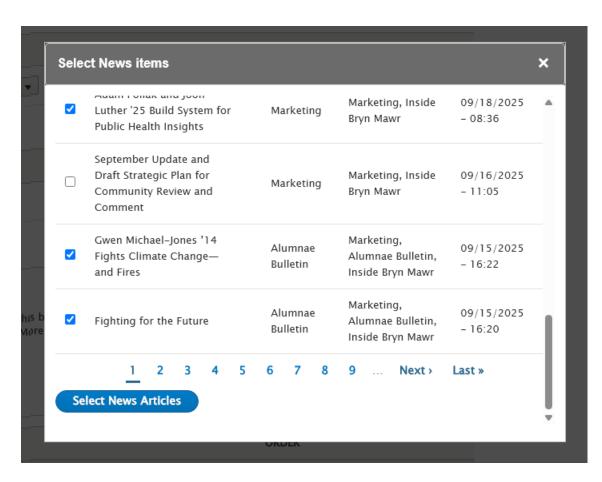


This will open the Entity Browser for you to select New Items. You can filter by title, tag, display theme and/or last updated.

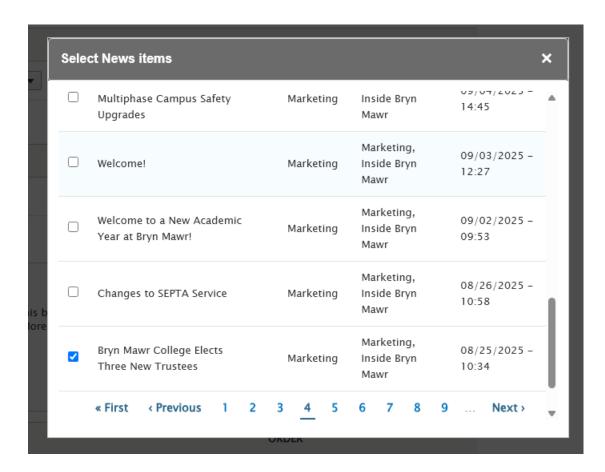


Select filter criteria and press Apply to find specific News Items, then scroll to see the results.

If you choose not to use the filters, you can simply scroll to pages of news articles listed by title and sorted by date (newest first). For our example we will choose three from the same page.



Please note that you can only select from the list page you are on. If you page forward and select more, the system will only remember the selection from that page, not the previous page.



You can also drag-n-drop the articles to reorder them



#### News 3up

Manually selected articles about books

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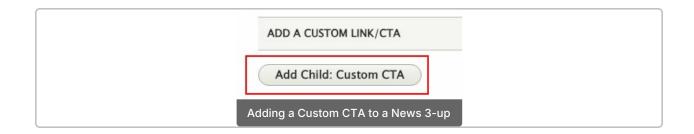
#### **More Button**

When using a News 3up, you will get a black CTA (Call to Action) button that usually says something like "More News" and will direct folks to the main listing page for News

There are, generally speaking, multiple methods to link to More content for those flex content items,

- Tags When you use Tags to pull in some content the More Button take you to a tagged listing page of those type of items (News articles or Events, or Announcements, etc).
- Manual If you ONLY Manually select items, your More Button will take you to the main listing page
  for that type of item, this listing page will match the Main theme that the Basic Page your Flex Item
  More Button is on.
- Adding a Custom CTA will override the default CTA behavior of either Tag or Manual approach.

Custom CTA - There is also the ability to Customize the CTA so you could make people go to a Department's page, or to a Registration Page, for example.



This Custom Link/CTA has a URL field and a Text Field that you would fill in.

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# When to Ask for Help

# REQUESTING TAGS AND/OR DISPLAY THEMES FOR YOUR NEWS

• If, upon selecting news for your News 3up, you discover that the news is not displaying on your page please reach out to Communications at communications@brynmawr.edu to ask for help in getting that news to display on your page, either by tag or display theme.

- If Tags and Display Themes are confusing, please reach out to Communications to ask for help at communications@brynmawr.edu.
- If you add a News 3up and set your tags and the News you are expecting isn't in the list of teasers on your page, please reach out to Communications to ask for help at communications@brynmawr.edu.

#### **More Flex Articles**

Please see the https://askathena.brynmawr.edu/help/drupal page for all Drupal articles. Also visit our Drupal Training Videos page for links to all our available videos.

Please note that some Flex Content items require training and possibly special permission levels.

As with anything on the site, if you are unsure what the item is, how it looks or how to best utilize it, please see our sample pages Basic Page with all content<sub>0</sub> and News article with all content<sub>0</sub> or reach out to Communications for guidance at communications@brynmawr.edu.

Please note, there are corresponding training videos available that cover some of the items in these articles. Some items may require increased permission levels and special training. Please reach out to Communications for guidance at communications@brynmawr.edu

# Still need Drupal help? Have more Drupal questions?

If after reading this article or watching the training videos you still have questions, we can help!

Sign-up for any of our Drupal Drop-ins [] throughout the year.

Schedule a Drupal training session of for you or your whole department with our Drupal Trainer.

#### **Questions?**

If you have any additional questions or problems, don't hesitate to reach out to the Help Desk!

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