

Delicious + RSS

We have learned that delicious is not just a place to store and organize your bookmarks, as if that wasn't useful enough, but also a platform for sharing your links with others. Your tags not only give a structure, your own personal controlled vocabulary, to your links, buy they also allow you to share by generating easily understandable ("human-readable") URLs:

www.delicious.com/username/tag

These can even be combined for overlapping categories:

www.delicious.com/username/tag1+tag2

Delicious generates **RSS feeds** for each of your tags. RSS, depending on who you ask, stands for "Really Simple Syndication" (formerly "Rich Site Summary"). It is one of the technologies that allows subscriptions to newsfeeds, blogs and podcasts through sites and applications that can read and incorporate a feed.

You can use the RSS link from any of your tags, or anyone's delicious tags, to create pages that are always updating their content on a given subject. This is enormously useful to anyone creating sites dedicated to dynamic topic, from informal clubs and interest groups to academic subject guides and pathfinders.

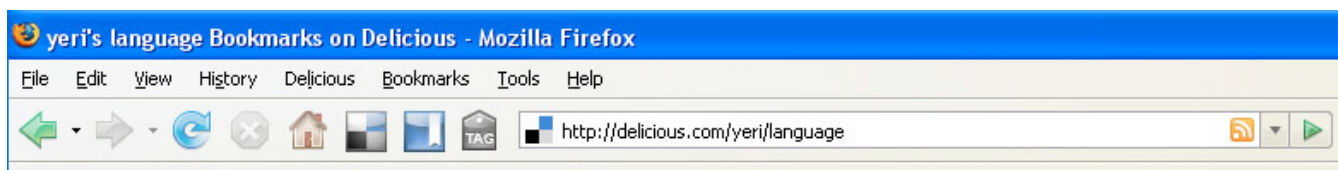
Delicious + RSS + Your CofC (or other WordPress) Blog

The CofC blog server, which uses the popular WordPress platform, has many themes capable of adding RSS feeds as a "widget" (techie speak for a "thing") on the sidebar of a page. This is also true of any other site powered by WordPress, including Edublogs.org and WordPress.com.

Place an RSS feed listing your recent bookmarks under a particular tag on your CofC blog.

On Delicious

1. **Open up a tab in your browser** (Mozilla Firefox is recommended) and go to your **delicious** account at <http://www.delicious.com/yourusername>.



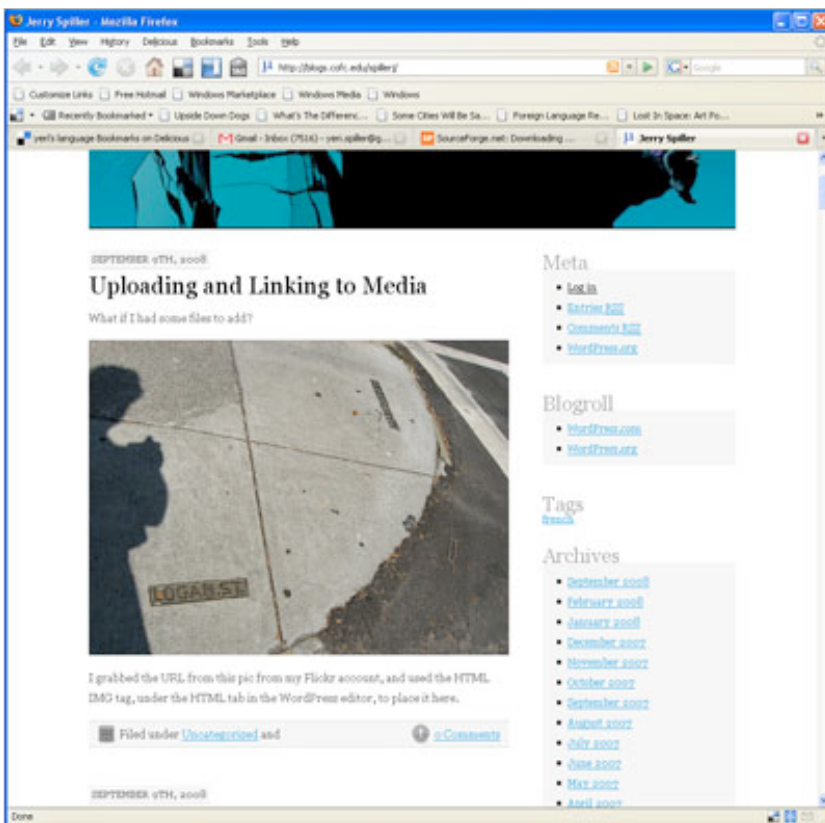
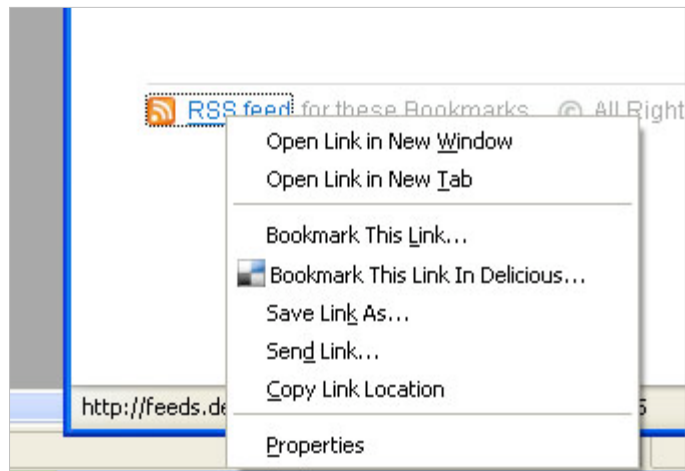
2. Click on any **tag** you want to use for a feed of links in your blog sidebar.



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3. **Right-click** on the "RSS for these bookmarks" link on the bottom left corner of the page, then **copy the link** ("Copy link location" in Mozilla, or "Copy Shortcut" in IE).



On Your Blog

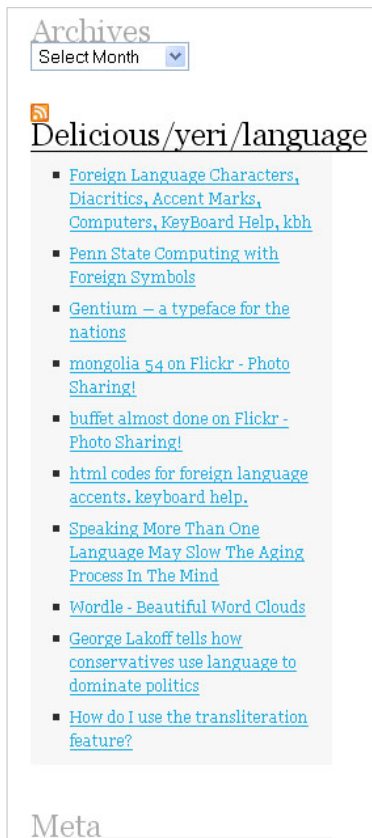
4. **Open up a tab in your browser** and go to your **blog**.
5. Click on the **login** link under Meta in your sidebar.
6. **Log in** with your Cougars username and password.



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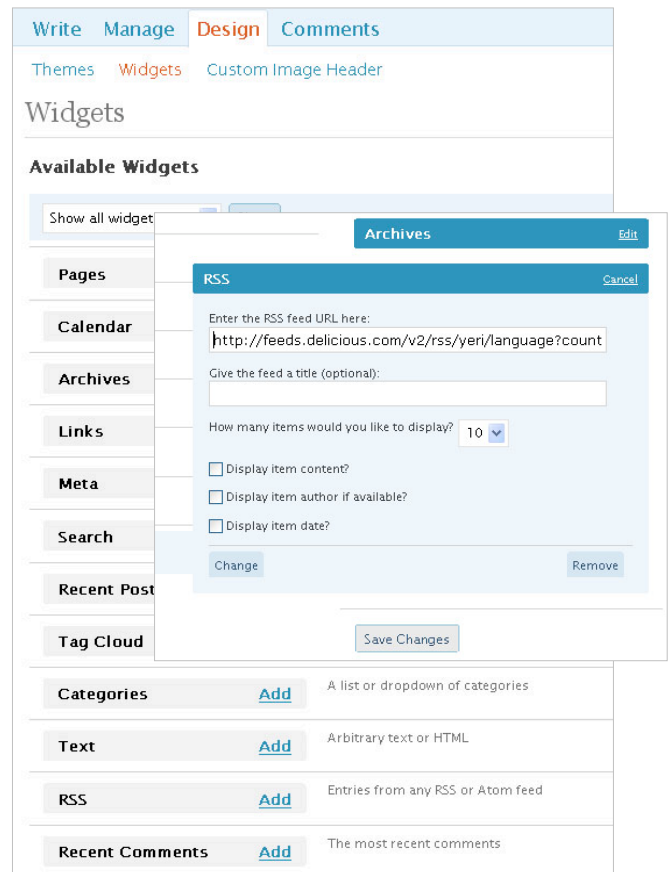
- From your blog's Dashboard, go to **Manage > Widgets**.
- On the bottom left, **Add** the **RSS** widget.
- Now the **RSS** widget appears on the right in blue. Click **Edit**.
- Paste your delicious RSS link into the first box, edit any other settings you like, and click **Change**.
- Click **Save Changes** below.
- Visit your site**. You have a Delicious feed! Your most recent bookmarks for that subject will appear in your blog's sidebar!



The screenshot shows a sidebar widget titled "Archives" with a "Select Month" dropdown. Below it is an RSS widget icon and the title "Delicious /yeri /language". The widget displays a list of 10 bookmark entries, each with a square icon and a text link. The entries are:

- Foreign Language Characters, Diacritics, Accent Marks, Computers, KeyBoard Help, kbh
- Penn State Computing with Foreign Symbols
- Gentium – a typeface for the nations
- mongolia 54 on Flickr - Photo Sharing!
- buffet almost done on Flickr - Photo Sharing!
- html codes for foreign language accents. keyboard help.
- Speaking More Than One Language May Slow The Aging Process In The Mind
- Wordle - Beautiful Word Clouds
- George Lakoff tells how conservatives use language to dominate politics
- How do I use the transliteration feature?

At the bottom of the sidebar, there is a "Meta" section.



The screenshot shows the WordPress "Widgets" management interface. The "Available Widgets" list on the left includes Pages, Calendar, Archives, Links, Meta, Search, Recent Post, and Tag Cloud. The "RSS" widget is selected and its configuration window is open. The configuration options are:

- Enter the RSS feed URL here: `http://feeds.delicious.com/v2/rss/yeri/language?count`
- Give the feed a title (optional):
- How many items would you like to display?
- Display item content?
- Display item author if available?
- Display item date?

Buttons for "Change", "Remove", "Save Changes", and "Cancel" are visible.

Now keep adding good bookmarks under the tag you chose, and your readers will always have fresh content!



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