

If you need an account, go to the forum and ask for it.

# Forums

Here I will layout different forums, and the ones I have used and ones I currently use.

## Forums I use

- Flarum (<https://flarum.org/>)
  - I still use at [Tech Talk Forum](#)
  - My personal preference

## I used to use:

- Simple Machines (<https://www.simplemachines.org/>)
  - I think it was for an old domain and it was a tech forum.

## Comparisons

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Name	Licen se	Free Open Source?	Paid Pricing	Version	Last Update	Language
<a href="#">bbPress</a>	<a href="#">GPL</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	v2.6.5	2020-05	Wordpress Plugin
<a href="#">Discourse</a>	<a href="#">GPL</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$100/mo	v2.5.1	2020-08	Ruby >= 2.5.2
<a href="#">ElkArte</a>	<a href="#">BSD</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	v1.1.6	2019-07	PHP >= 7.1
<a href="#">Flarum</a>	<a href="#">MIT</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	v0.1.0- beta.13	2020-05	PHP >= 7.2.9

<a href="#">FlashBB</a>	<a href="#">Custo m</a>	☐	☐	v2.0.1	2018-06	Python
<a href="#">FluxBB</a>	<a href="#">GPLv 2</a>	☐	☐	v1.5.11	2018-12	PHP >= 5.6
<a href="#">miniBB</a>	<a href="#">GPL</a>	☐	\$70/lifetime	v3.4.2	2019-10	PHP >= 4.1.0
<a href="#">MyBB</a>	<a href="#">LGPLv 3</a>	☐	☐	v1.8.24	2020-08	PHP >= 5.2
<a href="#">NodeBB</a>	<a href="#">GPLv 3</a>	☐	\$250/mo	v1.14.3	2020-08	NodeJS >= 12.18
<a href="#">Phorum</a>	<a href="#">Custo m</a>	☐	☐	v5.2.23	2017-01	PHP >= 5.2
<a href="#">phpBB</a>	<a href="#">GPLv 2</a>	☐	☐	v3.3.1	2020-08	PHP 7.1.0+ but less than PHP 7.3
<a href="#">PunBB</a>	<a href="#">GPLv 2</a>	☐	☐	v1.4.5	2020-01	PHP >= 4.3.0
<a href="#">Simple Machines</a>	<a href="#">Custo m</a>	☐	☐	v2.0.17	2019-12	PHP >= 5.4.0
<a href="#">Vanilla Forums</a>	<a href="#">GPLv 2</a>	☐	Contact them	3.3	2019-10	PHP >= 7.1

I would recommend any of the ones still currently having security and bug fixes. Such as bbPress/Discourse/Flarum/MyBB/NodeBB/phpBB

I would also recommend PHP 8 support if using PHP.

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