

Wikipedia Education Program

Cairo Celebration Conference

July 4 & 5, 2012 Ain Shams University | Cairo, Egypt

= this session will be in Arabic.

E A= this session will be in a mix of English and Arabic.

Day 1: Wednesday, July 4

(all sessions will be in the Faculty of Al-Alsun at Ain Shams University)

8:30-9:00 a.m. — Breakfast (provided by Wikimedia)

Room: Hall of Conference (on 2nd floor)

9:00-9:30 a.m. — Opening address

Room: Hall of Conference (on 2nd floor)

Opening remarks from the Dean of the Faculty of Al-Alsun at Ain Shams University and from Frank Schulenburg (Wikimedia Foundation's Global Education Program Direction).

9:30-10:00 a.m. — Cairo Pilot: overview and results

Room: Hall of Conference (on 2nd floor) | Presenters: Frank Schulenburg, Annie Lin, Faris El-Gwely

Reflection on this highly successful academic term and the amazing contributions of the participating professors, students, and volunteers.

10:00-10:15 a.m. — Coffee/tea break

Room: Hall of Conference (on 2nd floor)

We will also give out a few awards during this time.

10:15-11:30 a.m. — Getting to know each other A

Room: Hall of Conference (on 2nd floor)

Each group (professor, Ambassador[s], students present from each class) has 5–10 minutes to present their Wikipedia assignment design, grading structure, maybe some examples of student work, and general results.

11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. — Lunch (provided by Wikimedia)

Room: Hall of Conference (on 2nd floor)

We will also give out a few awards during this time.

1:00-2:30 p.m. — Breakout group discussions

Conference participants will split up and attend the track most relevant to them (see descriptions and locations below):

Track A: Professor experience (for professors)

Room: Hall of Department Councils (on 1st floor) | Facilitator: Rochelle Davis

Facilitated open discussion among professors about experiences participating in the Wikipedia Education Program this past academic term. Topics discussed could include: what was enjoyable, what wasn't enjoyable, working with Wikipedia, working with Campus Ambassadors and Online Ambassadors, what worked and didn't work in your assignment design, challenges and how you overcame them, etc.

Track B: Wikipedia Ambassador experience (for Campus & Online Ambassadors) A

Room: 334 (on 2nd floor) | Facilitator: Faris El-Gwely

Facilitated open discussion among Campus Ambassadors and Online Ambassadors about experiences participating in the Wikipedia Education Program this past academic term. Topics discussed could include: Ambassador workload, what was enjoyable, what wasn't enjoyable, obstacles and how you overcame them, etc.

Track C: More advanced Wikipedia-editing skills and how students can still help Wikipedia (for all interested students) A

Room: 333 (on 2nd floor) | Facilitator: Essam Sharaf

Facilitated workshop with the participating students, about more advanced Wikipedia-editing skills and areas in which students can still help Wikipedia now that classes are over.

Track D: How to join the Wikipedia Education Program (for new professors and potential Ambassadors who are interested in participating in the future)

Room: Hall of Faculty Council (on 1st floor) | Facilitators: Frank Schulenburg, Moushira Elamrawy

Information session for professors interested in joining the Wikipedia Education Program for the upcoming academic term(s), and for people interested in becoming Campus Ambassadors or Online Ambassadors. We will discuss steps and requirements for ioining the Wikipedia Education Program, and answer any questions you may have about joining.

2:30-3:00 p.m. — Wrap-up of Day 1 A

Room: Hall of Conference (on 2nd floor) | Facilitators: Faris El-Gwely, Essam Sharaf

Quick summary of discussion results and learnings from today. Quick overview of Day 2 of the conference. In Arabic.

We will also give out a few awards during this time.

Day 2: Thursday, July 5

(all sessions will be in the Faculty of Al-Alsun at Ain Shams University)

8:30-9:00 a.m. — Breakfast (provided by Wikimedia)

Room: Hall of Conference (on 2nd floor)

Breakfast and socializing.

9:00–9:30 a.m. — Benefits and challenges of having students contribute to the Arabic Wikipedia 🔼

Room: Hall of Conference (on 2nd floor) | Facilitator: Rochelle Davis

Facilitated group discussion about the main benefits and challenges of an Arabic Wikipedia editing assignment.

9:30-10:30 a.m. — Student panel A

Room: Hall of Conference (on 2nd floor) | Facilitator: Essam Sharaf

Facilitated discussion in which about 14 students (2 from each class) share their in-depth experiences doing the Wikipedia assignment.

10:30-11:00 a.m. — Coffee/tea break

Room: Hall of Conference (on 2nd floor)

We will also give out a few awards during this time.

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. — Looking into the future: breakout group discussions

Conference participants will split up and attend the track most relevant to them (see descriptions and locations below):

Track A: Improving the professors' experience (for professors)

Room: Hall of Faculty Council (on 1st floor) | Facilitator: Rochelle Davis

Facilitated open discussion among professors about what can be done to make professors' experiences in the Wikipedia Education Program more enjoyable. Topics discussed could include: what kinds of additional support materials would have been helpful? Additional training? Additional human resources? Extra tips on assignment design? Etc.

Track B: Improving the Ambassador program (for Campus & Online Ambassadors)

Room: 333 (on 2nd floor) | Facilitator: Essam Sharaf

Facilitated open discussion among Campus Ambassadors and Online Ambassadors about what can be done to make Ambassadors' experiences in the Wikipedia Education Program more enjoyable. Topics discussed could include: how can we make the Campus Ambassador and Online Ambassador programs more effective? Are there changes we can make to the role descriptions to make the Ambassador program more enjoyable? How can we improve communication among Ambassadors, professors, and students? How can we involve the Arabic Wikipedia community more? What kinds of additional support materials would have been helpful?

Track C: Improving the students' experience (for all interested students)

Room: 334 (on 2nd floor) | Facilitator: Moushira Elamrawy

Facilitated open discussion among students about what can be done to make students' experiences in the Wikipedia Education Program more enjoyable. Topics discussed could include: what kinds of additional support materials would have been helpful? Additional training? Additional human resources?

12:30-1:30 p.m. — Lunch (provided by Wikimedia)

Room: Hall of Conference (on 2nd floor)

We will also give out a few awards during this time.

1:30-2:00 p.m. — Award ceremony **E** A

Room: Hall of Conference (on 2nd floor) | Facilitators: Essam Sharaf, Moushira Elamrawy The rest of the awards will be given out during this time.

2:00–2:30 p.m. — Closing Room: Hall of Conference (on 2nd floor) | Facilitators: Frank Schulenburg, Annie Lin

Concluding remarks and reflection on the conference.