

Wikipedia Campus Training:

Introduction to Wikipedia



WIKIPEDIA
The Free Encyclopedia

Did you Know?

- Wikipedia is one of the top-five visited web sites!



- Wikipedia has 400 million unique visitors per month, comprising 11.7 billion page request a month, which represents 5% of the world population!

[http://www.youtube.com/user/
WikimediaFoundation#p/u/2/hoszRJpvAP0](http://www.youtube.com/user/WikimediaFoundation#p/u/2/hoszRJpvAP0)

You're joining a community

Article Edits

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How Will You Contribute?

- Writing articles
- Editing existing articles
- Participating on discussion/talk page

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What Wikipedia 'is not'...

- **A paper encyclopedia**, a dictionary, a publisher of original thought or an indiscriminate collection of information
- **A soapbox**, means of promotion, blog, web space provider, social networking, or memorial site
- **A repository** of links, images, or media files
- **A directory**, manual, guidebook, textbook, or scientific journal

How other volunteers contribute?

- Writing articles
- Editing existing articles
- Copyediting
- Formatting & “Wikifying”
- Adding references
- Helping new users
- Creating and adding images
- Contributing subject matter expertise
- Mediating disputes
- Administration

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Training:

Wikipedia Essentials



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Objectives

At the end of this training you will:

- Know how to create your Wikipedia user account and user page.
- Know how to use article discussion pages and user talk pages
- Know editing basics

Life Of An Article

1) Stub:

- Summary of the topic
- Statement telling why the topic is important
- Source outside Wikipedia confirming its existence and importance

2) More detailed article that captures various perspectives (historical and global)

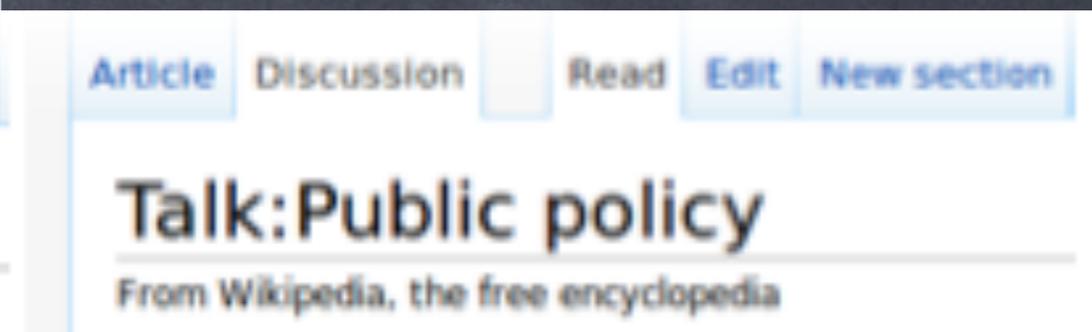
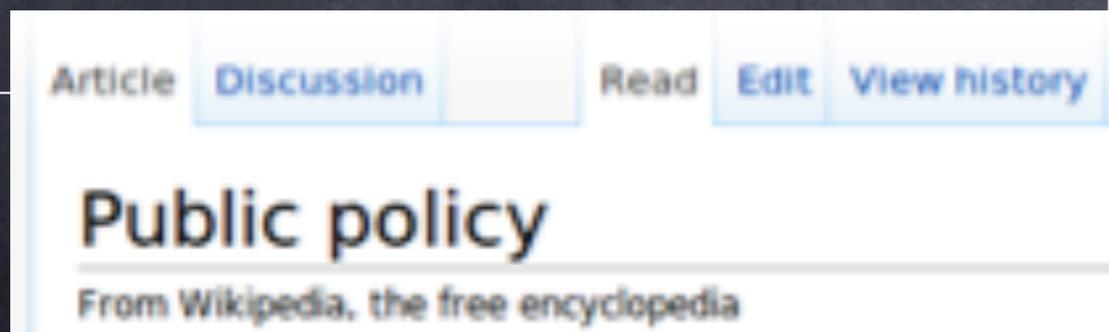
3) Well-written, sourced and comprehensive

Article vs. Discussion/Talk page

- Where the article content is.
- Limited editorial markings
- No information about editors

Where editors talk about:

- Editing plans
- Potential problems Also:
You can list sources or build an outline here
- Contains WikiProject banners, other "meta" info



Signing a comment on a discussion/talk page

Article **Discussion**

American Revolution

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia
(Redirected from *American revolution*)

This article is about political and social Revolution (disambiguation).

In this article, inhabitants of the Thirtee

User page **Discussion**

User:Rjensen

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

This is not an encyclopedia article. If you

Signing a message: use four tildes (~~~~)

→ This is indeed an advanced article. For basic introductions, the intro
Rjensen (talk) 18:22, 20 October 2010 (UTC)

New features Log in / create account

Discussion Read **Edit** View history Search

Using Wikipedia in higher education

Using Wikipedia as a teaching tool in higher education:

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Other:

- Wikipedia student clubs



Video: Using Wikipedia as a teaching tool in higher education (11 minutes 33 seconds, 47.4 MB)

The Edit Button

Editing Using Wikipedia in higher education

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Your IP address will be recorded in this page's edit history.

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Summary:

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