THE CCCCWI PRESENTS:

Getting Started with WikiProject Writing

All comp/rhet scholars
are welcome with a
basic level of
experience editing on
Wikipedia.

Join us to discuss how scholars can coordinate efforts to improve field-specific Wikipedia articles.



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Getting Started with WikiProject Writing

August 20, 2021

Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- 2. Workshop
- 3. WikiProject Writing Tutorial





CCCCWI Mission

Established in 2019, the CCCC Wikipedia Initiative proceeds from the conviction that it matters to edit Wikipedia, especially for field experts committed to knowledge equity as a fundamental groundwork for social justice.

Writing expert knowledge into Wikipedia is one important way we can address knowledge gaps, imbalances, and misinformation online.



Improving Knowledge Equity with Expert Editors

Field experts have important access to knowledge and beliefs about topics and figures often undocumented on Wikipedia.

- 1. Unique community engagement.
- 2. Publicizing knowledge often kept behind paywalls.
- 3. Greater understanding of content gaps and how to fix them.



Today we will discuss...

- 1. What is a WikiProject?
- 2. How do I find WikiProjects?
- 3. What makes up a WikiProject?
- 4. What is WikiProject Writing?
- 5. Organizing our efforts
- 6. Collaborating with participants
- 7. WikiProject Writing tutorial

With a goal of...

1. Getting you comfortable navigating & contributing to WikiProject Writing.



What is a WikiProject?

- A group of editors focused on improving articles around a specific topic or field of interest.
- 2. A central place for coordination, discussion, and organization of the group's activities.
- 3. Looks similar to a Wikipedia article, but functions more as a portal.
- 4. Active participation is key to a successful WikiProject.



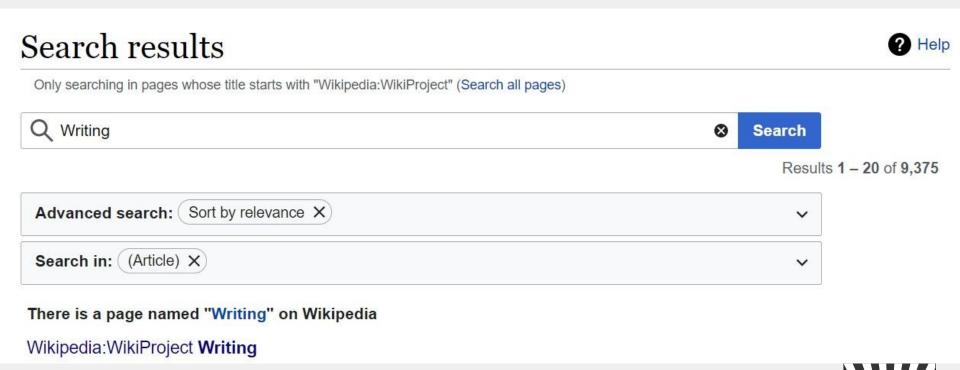
How do I find WikiProjects?

- WikiProjects exist within the 'Wikipedia' space rather than the 'Article' space. When searching for a WikiProject use Wikipedia before the project name in the search bar:
 i.e. Wikipedia:WikiProject Writing
- 2. If the project does not exist, it will show up as a redlink when you type the name in.



How do I find WikiProjects?

 The WikiProject Council houses a searchable list of WikiProjects:



WP:PROJGUIDE

For example...

Wikipedia:WikiProject Writing

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Main Open **Participants** Resources Discussion **Events Templates** tasks page This is a WikiProject, an area for focused collaboration among Wikipedians. New

participants are welcome; please feel free to participate! WP:WWT WP:WRITING Guide to WikiProjects · Directory of WikiProjects

Welcome to WikiProject Writing

We are a group of editors focused on developing content informed by research and scholarship in the fields of rhetoric, composition, technical communication, literacy, and language studies.

In addition to improving and expanding coverage of writing research and pedagogy as they encompass broad and evolving definitions of literacy, communication, rhetoric, and writing (including multimodal discourse, digital communication, and diverse language practices), this project seeks to represent the full scope of these fields' engagement with diversity, inclusion, access, and equity. We will draw from and cite canonical terms, concepts, and research, as well as scholarship and activism composed by marginalized teacher-scholars, when creating and improving Wikipedia articles.



Assessment

Shortcuts





Popular

pages

What makes up a WikiProject?

- 1. No WikiProject is the same, they often vary depending on the scope, goals, and preferred organization of the group.
- 2. However, most WikiProjects have sections for open tasks, lists of articles in need of edits or creation, and an assessment criteria for content and importance.



What is WikiProject Writing?

WikiProject Writing is a group of editors focused on developing content related to the fields of rhetoric, composition, technical communication, literacy, and language studies.

WP:WRITING



What is WikiProject Writing?

Main pages . . .

- Project page
- Discussion (talk)
- Participants
- Resources

- Events
- Open tasks
- Templates
- Assessment
- Popular pages





Add yourself to our list

Add yourself as a participant to WikiProject Writing & share some of your interests:

Add yourself to our list

To add yourself to the WikiProject Writing participant list, please click on the blue 'Sign up' button below and follow the directions presented to you at the top of the screen.

Sign up

Active participants

These are WikiProject Writing's current active participants and their particular areas of interest within the scope and goals of WikiProject Writing.

- 1. FULBERT (talk) (I am interested in working on the creation of this WikiProject to promote knowledge equity in writing studies) 00:48, 13 October 2020 (UTC)
- 2. Drkill (talk) (I am interested in getting this WikiProject up and running) 01:15, 13 October 2020 (UTC)
- 3. Rhetorica19 (talk) (I am interested in working on global rhetorical topics, and topics that highlight the influence of women pedagogues on and within the profession in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.) 02:24, 21 October 2020 (UTC)





Join our event page

- Search WP:CCCCWI-COLLABORATE on Wikipedia to find the event.
- 2. If you haven't done so already, register your account with the CCCCWI dashboard for this event.
- 3. Sign in to the event page to add yourself to the participants list.

Get started [edit source]

- Register your account with the initiative here
- Sign in below

Please sign in [edit source]

Make sure to click "publish" after signing in, this will add your name to list of participants and track your edits throughout the workshop. At the close of the workshop, an editing history will be posted on this page, showcasing the articles and edits completed.

Sign in



Join our event page

- Do not type anything.
- Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click 'Publish.'

Editing Wikipedia:CCCCWI/Getting Started with WikiProject Writing Workshop (new section)



Tontent that violates any copyrights will be deleted. Encyclopedic content must be verifiable. Any work submitted to Wikipedia can be edited, used, and redistributed—by anyone—subject to certain terms and conditions.



Organizing our efforts





Exploring organizing tabs

Open tasks

- a. Tagging & assessing articles
 - i. Rater
 - ii. Wikitext
- b. Vital articles in need of edits
- c. General articles in need of edits
- d. Articles for creation
- e. Hyperlinks & redlinks
- f. Watching articles
- g. Adding wikidata statements
- 2. Review & assessment



Open tasks

Wikipedia:WikiProject Writing/Open tasks

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia < Wikipedia:WikiProject Writing

> Main Discussion page

Participants

Resources

Events

Open

tasks

Templates

Assessment

Popular pages

Editing tasks • Vital articles in need of improvement • General articles in need of improvement • Watching articles • Articles in need of creation • Organizational tasks • Tagging and assessing articles • Hyperlinking & adding redlinks • Adding wikidata statements

Editing tasks

In an effort to improve, as well as create, articles that define the fields of rhetoric, composition, technical communication, literacy, and language studies, WikiProject Writing participants have developed a series of articles in need of revision and creation. Please do add articles to these lists if you find an article in need of edits or a notable topic in need of creation.

Vital articles in need of edits

[edit]

Vital articles are articles deemed most important to improve to the highest quality standard on Wikipedia (featured article status). There are five levels of vital articles categorized by subject. If you find an article you believe could be vital, check the talk page for a banner that mentions whether the subject is vital or not.

n Page

Article

How vital?

Quality rank

Average monthly pageviews &

General articles in need of improvement

[edit]

General articles are articles under the scope of WikiProject Writing that need some work. We encourage you to add articles to this along with a note describing how the article can be improved. This can be as simple as mentioning an award a scholar received or restructuring the article for clarity.

- Academic writing (underdeveloped, needs citation, narrativizing, not sophisticated in approach)
- African-American Vernacular English (paragraph on Social Context > In





- 1. An easy way to expand the reach of the project.
- 2. Adds more articles to the article tracking list.

WikiProject Writing (Rated GA-class, Top-importance)



Top

This article is within the scope of **WikiProject Writing**, a WikiProject interested in improving Wikipedia's coverage of content related to the fields of rhetoric, composition, technical communication, literacy, and language studies.

This article has been rated as GA-Class on the project's quality scale.

This article has been rated as **Top-importance** on the project's importance scale.





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Rater...

☆	Rater (talk) v2.6.2		Х
Add a WikiProject		+	· • •
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{{WikiProject Writing}} ✓ + Add parameter	C 啦	✓ Low 啦	~

WP:WRITETAG



Wikitext...

- Select 'Edit source' and place the WikiProject Writing tag beneath other WikiProject tags.
- 2. {{WikiProject Writing |class=??? |importance=???}}

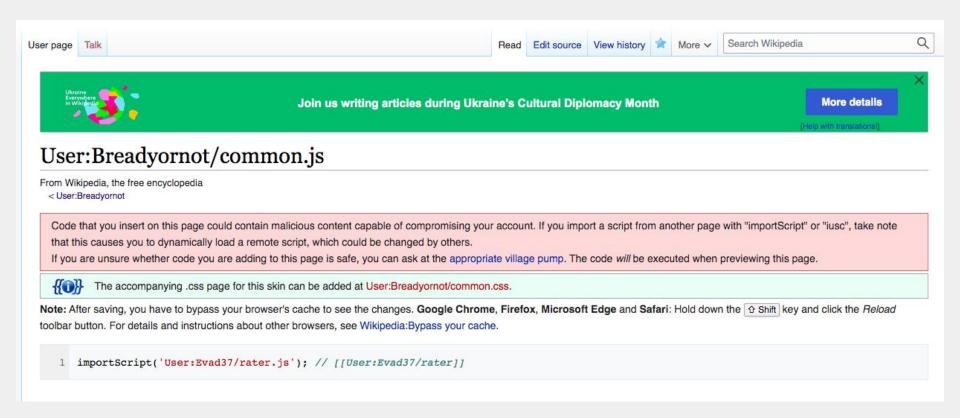


How to install Rater...

- 1. Copy this code:
 - importScript('User:Evad37/rater.js'); //
 [[User:Evad37/rater]]
- Paste onto this link <u>Special:MyPage/common.js</u>.
 You will have to either 'Create' or 'Edit' source on the top right.
- 3. Publish your changes.



How to install Rater...





How to install Rater...

- 1. To check and see if Rater has been installed properly, head to the 'talk' page of any article.
- 2. Go to 'More' on the top right and you should see an option for 'Rater' under the dropdown menu.

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Read	Edit source	New section	View history	₩	More ~	Search Wikipedia	Q
					Move		
					Rater		



Vital articles in need of edits

A list of articles at the core of writing studies that need significant work

Vital articles in need of improvement

Article	How vital?	Quality rank	Average monthly pageviews	Notes
Code switching	level-5 vital article	С	27,747	
Communication	level-2 vital article in Society	С	78,204	
Essay	level-4 vital article in Art	Start	49,720	
Grammar	level-3 vital article in Society	С	39,356	
Literacy	level-4 vital article in Society	С	21,904	



General articles in need of edits

A crowdsourced list of articles in need of improvement

General articles in need of improvement

- Academic writing (underdeveloped, needs citation, narrativizing, not sophisticated in approach)
- Adult literacy (redirects to adult education with no mention of writing)
- Author (needs from perspective of teaching, student writer identity)
- Argument (extensive, but no mention of writing)
- Argumentation theory (extensive, but no mention of writing)
- Theodore Baird (only mentioned for his house designed by frank lloyd wright)
- Basic writing (extensive, but can use revision to meet Wikipedia standards)
- James A. Berlin (lots of stuff listed, but almost no narrative)
- Charles Bazerman (contributions not well elaborated, add 2018 NCTE James R. Squire Awardee)

See more at Article lists



WP:WRITELIST

Articles for creation

A crowdsourced list of articles in need of creation

Articles in need of creation

- Linda Adler-Kassner (2017 CCCC Chair)
- Chris Anson (2013 CCCC Chair)
- Adam Banks (2015 CCCC Chair through 9/15)
- Ann E. Berthoff (include 1997 CCCC Exemplar Awardee)
- Brain and writing
- Carolyn Calhoon-Dillahunt (2018 CCCC Chair)
- Joyce Carter (2016 CCCC Chair)
- Courtney Cazden (include 2004 NCTE James R. Square Awardee)
- Community writing (reference CCW and Community Writing Journal)

See more at Articles for creation



WP:WRITEAfC

Hyperlinks & redlinks

Hyperlinking and adding redlinks

In order to increase the accessibility of articles under the scope of WikiProject Writing, it is important to add hyperlinks that allow articles to be linked to each other. An article without any hyperlinks is considered an orphan. A topic/person without a Wikipedia article may be hyperlinked with a redlink - used to designate an article in need of creation.

- Hyperlinking: Head to an article under the scope of WikiProject Writing.
 - Source editor: Add a set of brackets
 ([example]) to the topic you wish to hyperlink.
 Your link will either publish in blue or red,
 depending on if the article exists on Wikipedia
 yet.
 - Visual editor: Highlight the topic you wish to hyperlink or redlink. Click on the 'Link' icon from the toolbar and select the Wikipedia article it refers to in the drop down menu. If an article does not exist, click on the 'Page does not exist' link from the dropdown to create a redlink.

Adding hyperlinks and redlinks are a great way to find new articles for creation & to link pages across articles.



Watching articles

Watching articles

Watching articles refers to opting into receiving email notifications about any edits made to an article(s) of your choosing. This function allows you to keep track of ongoing discussions about an article, as well as serve a peer review function by offering feedback on recent edits. Additionally, you can check how many editors are currently watching a specific article to monitor the amount of feedback you may receive on a recent edit or talk page post.

Here's how you can watch an article & check how many Wikipedians are watching an article:

- Click on the star icon in the top right of your screen, next to the 'View history' button to add yourself to the watch list of an article.
- Select 'Page information' under tools on the leftmost side of the web page. From here you will find the total number of editors watching the page under 'Basic information.'

Watching articles allows you to serve a peer review renction by offering feedback on recent edits.



Adding wikidata statements

Adding Wikidata statements

Wikidata is one of Wikipedia's sister projects that helps to categorize and inform connections between article topics, people, etc. Wikidata can be edited by both humans and bots in any language and showcase content gaps across language Wikipedias, proving incredibly useful for combating knowledge inequities.

Wikipedia articles can have associated 'items' on Wikidata. Each item has a unique identifier called a 'Q-number' (i.e. Q4119870). These items are made up of properties and values that can be easily documented by reading the lead section of a Wikipedia article. Properties connect items to values (i.e. instance of, date of birth etc). A value connects the item to the property (i.e. academic, March 15, 1972, etc). An item, property, and value together are called statements.

By creating items for Wikipedia articles as well as adding properties and values, we make information more accessible to a wider audience. This can lead to translations across language Wikipedias, generating queries that showcase relevant content gaps under our scope, and greater categorization of articles that already exist under WikiProject Writing's scope.

Here's how you can find the wikidata statement on a Wikipedia article and add properties and values yourself:

- 1. Head to any Wikipedia article
- 2. Click on 'Wikidata item' under 'Tools' on the leftmost side of the screen

Wikidata can showcase content gaps across language Wikipedias



Review & assessment

Quality and importance scores are generated after articles are added to the WikiProject.

Writing articles by quality and importance							
	Importance						
Quality	Тор	High	Mid	Low	NA	???	Total
⊕ GA	1			1			2
В	2	2	2	10			16
С	7	4	12	51			74
Start	7	13	20	59		1	100
Stub	1	4	3	29			37
List		1		1			2
Category					31		31
Project					1		1
Other					16		16
Assessed	18	24	37	151	48	1	279
Unassessed			1			8	9
Total	18	24	38	151	48	9	288



Collaborating with participants





Collaboration tools & practices

- 1. Discussion (talk page)
- 2. Events
- 3. Leaving article 'breadcrumbs'
- 4. Patrolling recent changes
- 5. Workflows





Discussion (talk page)

- 1. A central hub for all communications with other members.
- A great place to enlist help from other participants on an article or an issue you may be having.





Events

- These house our monthly spotlights, focused on addressing content gaps related to writing studies' fields.
- 2. Our upcoming programs are listed at the bottom of the page, including workshops and office hours.

WikiProject Writing Summer-long Edit-a-thon

This May, WikiProject Writing is focused on setting goals and coordinating collaborations to expand and improve content related to the fields of rhetoric, composition, technical communication, literacy, and language studies. We aim to work together to address inequities on Wikipedia as we contribute to a wide range of vital, general interest, and field-specific Wikipedia articles.

Please join us to . . .

- **1. Set summer writing goals**: Create achievable goals for individual and collaborative contributions to a wide range of vital, general interest, and field specific Wikipedia articles.
- **2. Coordinate collaboration**: Form writing groups of WikiProject Writing participants interested in improving the same article or a related set of articles.





Leaving article 'breadcrumbs'

 Add a little note about a source, notable award etc. next to an article you add to the article lists to facilitate a chain of edits.

General articles in need of improvement

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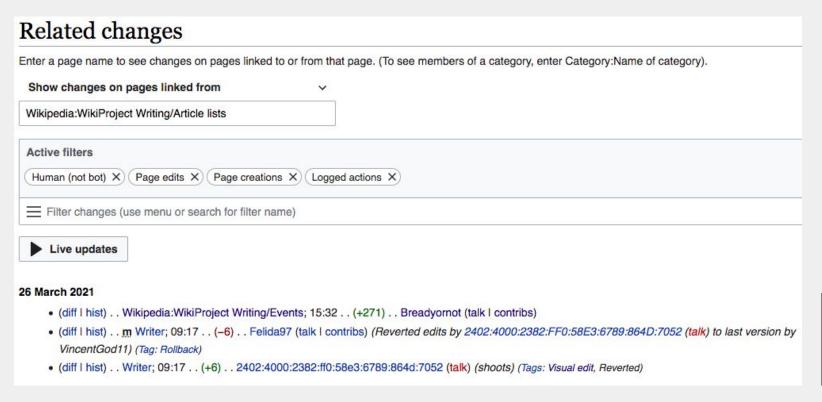
- Academic writing (underdeveloped, needs citation, narrativizing, not sophisticated in approach)
- African-American Vernacular English (paragraph on Social Context > In Education mentions 1974 CCCC statement on Students' Right to Their Own Language but needs to be updated and developed)
- Theodore Baird (only mentioned for his house designed by Frank Lloyd Wright)
- Collaborative writing (from teaching point of view, underdeveloped)
- Keith Gilyard (2000 CCCC Chair)
- Native American rhetoric
- Elaine Richardson (writer) (Faculty page ₺)
- Writing studies

See more at Article lists



Patrolling recent changes

- Shows articles tagged with the WikiProject Writing banner with the recent edits completed on them.
- 2. Look for 'how to help' on the main page.





Workflows

- Templates or categories you can use to promote wider discussion about a certain article(s).
- 2. These show up on the 'Article alerts' page for WikiProject Writing.

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Wikipedia: WikiProject Writing/Article alerts
From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia
  < Wikipedia: WikiProject Writing
    Quick links: AfD PROD CFD TFD RFD FFD MFD BPROD FAC FLC FTC ACR GAN GTC FAR FLRC FTRC GAR RFC PR RM MRG
   SPL AFC (Archive)
Articles to be split
 • 27 Apr 2020 - Plagiarism (talk · edit · hist) is proposed for splitting by Daask (t · c); see discussion
Articles for creation

    15 Feb 2021 – Draft: Datus C. Proper (talk · edit · hist) has been submitted for AfC by QuincyBalius (t · c)

    07 Feb 2021 – Draft:Contardo Calligaris (talk · edit · hist) has been submitted for AfC by Gargoyle88 (t · c)

    01 Feb 2021 – Draft:Nick Lyons (talk · edit · hist) has been submitted for AfC by QuincyBalius (t · c)

    28 Jan 2021 – Draft:Souhardya De (talk · edit · hist) has been submitted for AfC by ShaktiPD (t · c)

 • 26 Jan 2021 - Draft: Charles Greenleaf Bell (talk · edit · hist) has been submitted for AfC by Historical Accountings (t · c)

    24 Jan 2021 – Draft:Ryan D. Neely (talk · edit · hist) has been submitted for AfC by Strictly4business (t · c)

    18 Jan 2021 – Draft:Kenny Porpora (talk · edit · hist) has been submitted for AfC by

   2600:8800:2300:CD5B:BC63:4A48:B140:95AB (t · c)
  • 07 Dec 2020 - Draft: Mohamed Samir (journalist) (talk · edit · hist) has been submitted for AfC by Sameeko (t · c)
  • undated - Draft:Katherine MacRae Hilton (talk · edit · hist) has been submitted for AfC
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Workflows

Here is a list of different workflows, which can also be found on the event page under 'WikiProject Writing resources':

Workflows covered [edit source]

- implemented (may not be fully formatted/data populated)
- X not for now (not in priority list)
- (s) implementing (taking a while or need to do something else to get this working)
- ① under consideration (haven't examined the issues/process to say if currently plausible/worthwhile)
- AfD Articles for deletion
- (7) TfD Templates for discussion
- RfD Redirects for discussion
- OfD Categories for discussion
- Ø FfD Files for discussion
- I FfD (COM) Deletion requests (on Commons)
- W MfD Miscellany for deletion
- PROD Proposed deletion
- FAC Featured article candidates
- FAR Featured article review

- FLC Featured list candidates
- FLRC Featured list removal candidates
- ① FP Featured pictures
- (7) FTC Featured topic candidates
- ACR A-Class review (projectspecific)
- **()** GAN Good article nominations
- GAR Good article reassessment
- Ø GTC Good topic candidates
- •
 Ø RfC − Requests for comment

- Ø RM Requested moves
- (7) TFA Today's featured articles
- TFAR Today's featured article requests
- ODYK Did you know nominations (approved)
- WRG Articles for Merging
- SPL Articles for Splitting
- AFC Articles for Creation
- X ITN In the news
- X OTD Selected anniversaries
- X CP Copyright problems
- ON Article alerts/News



For example...

Merging articles:

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==Merger proposal==
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Talk page discussion: "I propose to merge [[A]] into [[B]]. I think that content in [[A]] can be easily explained in the context of [[B]]."

Tag the talk page with:

Markup Renders as {{Merge | OtherPage | date=February 2021 }} or {{Merge | OtherPage | OtherPage | (Discuss) Proposed since October 2017.

WP:PAM

Questions?



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WikiProject Writing Tutorial





Thank you!

Consider joining us for office hours to discuss these and other topics more in-depth.

https://calendly.com/savannahcragin/officehours

