



Wikimedia Projects and Educational Programs

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A few words about me



- Name: Ting Chen
- Born in Shanghai, China, at Jan. 29th 1968
- Since 2008 member of Board of Trustees, Wikimedia Foundation
- From 2010 to 2012 chair of the Board
- Since 1997 employee of IBM



A few words about Wikimedia Foundation



- Created in June 2003
- A non-profit and charitable organization
- Head quarter in San Francisco, California, USA



A few words about Wikimedia Foundation



- Our vision: Imagine a world in which every single human being can freely share in the sum of all knowledge. That's our commitment.
- The Wikimedia Foundation, Inc. is a nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to encouraging the growth, development and distribution of free, multilingual content, and to providing the full content of these wiki-based projects to the public free of charge.



A few words about Wikimedia Foundation



- As for fiscal year 2012/2013 we have a planned budget of 42 million dollars world wide
- At the moment about 120 employees



Wikimedia Projects

- Wiktionary
- Wikinews
- Wikibooks
- Wikiversity
- Wikispecies
- Wikisource
- Wikiquote
- MetaWiki
- Commons
- Wikipedia



a multilingual free
encyclopedia

Wiktionary
[ˈwɪkʃənəri] *n.*,
a wiki-based Open
Content dictionary
Wiken [ˈwɪkɪ kærɪ]



Educational Institutes use Wikimedia projects



- Example Old Dominion University, Virginia, USA
 - Use Wikibooks for students of the educational course
 - The students wrote their own textbooks
 - Result analysis indicates that it is more work for the students but also more learning



Wikimedia Foundation cooperate with Universities



- Wikipedia Academy
 - First time in 2006 in Göttingen, Germany
 - Until now 20 events around the world, among others in Johannesburg, Seoul, Mumbai
 - The purpose is to help and encourage more academics to work on Wikipedia



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- Global Education Initiative
 - A dedicated program targeted to university students to work on a special topic on Wikipedia
 - It's a pilot program that has a lot of experience character
 - There is a mentoring program from the initiative



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- School Program
 - A program initiated by the German Chapter
 - The purpose of the program is raise the internet media awareness among pupils
 - It teaches the pupils about how to use internet, in a critical and creative way





Thank you very much



Any questions?

