

THE CCCCWI PRESENTS:

Getting Started with WikiProject Writing

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

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



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Getting Started with WikiProject Writing

April 23, 2021

Agenda

1. 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?

1. 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?

1. 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:
 - a. 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?

1. The WikiProject Council houses a searchable list of WikiProjects:

Search results



Only searching in pages whose title starts with "Wikipedia:WikiProject" ([Search all pages](#))

Writing



Search

Results 1 – 20 of 9,375

Advanced search: [Sort by relevance](#) X



Search in: [\(Article\)](#) X



There is a page named "[Writing](#)" on Wikipedia

[Wikipedia:WikiProject Writing](#)

For example...

Wikipedia:WikiProject Writing

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Main page	Discussion	Participants	Open tasks	Templates	Assessment	Popular pages
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This is a WikiProject, an area for focused collaboration among Wikipedians. New participants are welcome; please feel free to participate!

[Guide to WikiProjects](#) · [Directory of WikiProjects](#)

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[Please join us!](#)

Getting started

We welcome any participant interested in improving articles within our scope. If you would like to publicly support our efforts, consider adding yourself to the [participants list](#) and/or adding our [userbox](#) to your [userpage](#).

Our [open tasks page](#) provides lists of articles in need of improvement and creation, as well as smaller tasks you can complete. We encourage you to start editing and adding articles to our lists within your field of expertise!

If you have any questions, or wish to start a discussion, please do add it to the [talk page](#).

Consideration of our resources and advice for students contributing to Wikipedia's



WikiProject Writing

Main project page

[List of participants](#)
[Popular pages](#)
[Assessment \(Log\)](#)

How to help:

[Tag and assess articles](#)

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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.**



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WP:WRITING



What is WikiProject Writing?

Main pages . . .

- Project page
- Discussion (talk)
- Participants
- Open tasks
- Templates
- Assessment
- Popular pages

Project page

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

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WP:WRITING



Join our event page

1. Search **WP:CCCCWI-WRITE** 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 [\[edit source \]](#)

- Log into Wikipedia [↗](#).
- 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

WP:CCCCWI-COLLAB



Join our event page


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

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



Click **Publish changes** below and you are set



 *Content 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

1. 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

2. Review & assessment



Open tasks

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Articles in need of improvement • Articles that need assessment • General articles in need of improvement • Articles in need of creation

Vital articles in need of improvement

Article	How vital?	Quality rank	Average monthly pageviews	Notes
Code switching	level-5 vital article	C	27,747	
Communication	level-2 vital article in Society	C	78,204	
Essay	level-4 vital article	Start	49,720	

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)
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- [Argumentation theory](#) (extensive, but no mention of writing)
- [Theodore Baird](#) (only mentioned for his house designed by Frank Lloyd Wright)

Tagging & assessing articles

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**)

[\[hide\]](#)



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.

 **GA**

This article has been rated as **GA-Class** on the project's [quality scale](#).

Top


This article has been rated as **Top-importance** on the project's [importance scale](#).

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Tagging & assessing articles

Rater...



The screenshot shows the 'Rater (talk) v2.6.2' window. At the top left is a gear icon. The title bar contains 'Rater (talk) v2.6.2' and a close button 'X'. Below the title bar is a toolbar with a plus sign, a tag icon, a dropdown arrow, a trash icon, and a prohibition sign. The main area contains two sections for WikiProject tagging. The first section has a dropdown menu with the text '{{WikiProject banner shell}}' and a plus sign followed by 'Add parameter'. The second section has a dropdown menu with the text '{{WikiProject Writing}}' and two dashed boxes: the first contains 'C' with a WikiProject icon and a dropdown arrow, and the second contains 'Low' with a WikiProject icon and a dropdown arrow. Below the second section is another plus sign followed by 'Add parameter'.

Tagging & assessing articles

Wikitext...

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

WikiProject Writing tag beneath other WikiProject tags:

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{{WikiProject Philosophy |logic=yes |importance=high |class=Start}}  
{{WikiProject Writing |class=Start |importance=Low}}
```

Tagging & assessing articles

How to install Rater...

1. Copy this code:


```
importScript('User:Evad37/rater.js'); //  
[[User:Evad37/rater]]
```

2. Paste onto this link <Special:MyPage/common.js>.
You will have to either 'Create' or 'Edit' source on the top right.
3. Publish your changes.

Tagging & assessing articles

How to install Rater...

User page Talk Read Edit source View history ★ More ▾ 🔍



Join us writing articles during Ukraine's Cultural Diplomacy Month


[More details](#)
[Help with translations]

User:Breadyornot/common.js

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< User:Breadyornot

Code that you insert on this page could contain malicious content capable of compromising your account. If you import a script from another page with "importScript" or "iusc", take note that this causes you to dynamically load a remote script, which could be changed by others.

If you are unsure whether code you are adding to this page is safe, you can ask at the [appropriate village pump](#). The code *will* be executed when previewing this page.

 The accompanying .css page for this skin can be added at [User:Breadyornot/common.css](#).

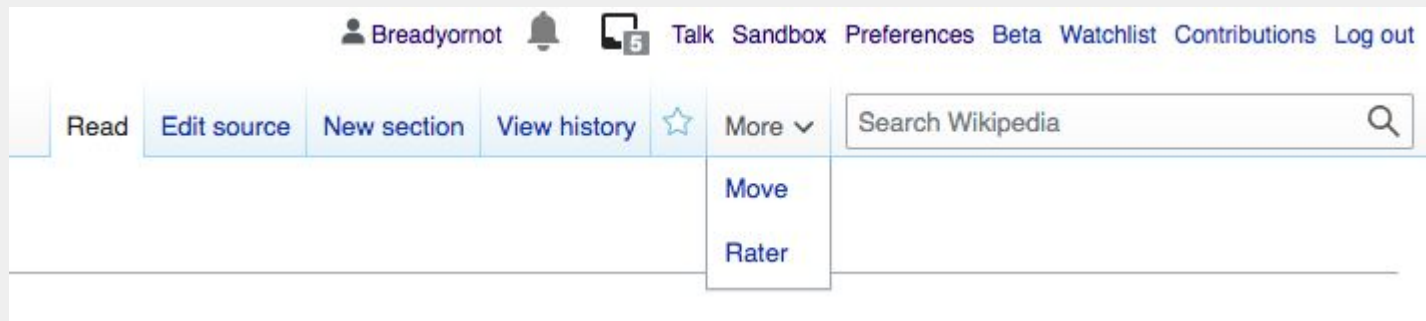
Note: After saving, you have to bypass your browser's cache to see the changes. **Google Chrome, Firefox, Microsoft Edge** and **Safari**: Hold down the ⇧ Shift key and click the *Reload* toolbar button. For details and instructions about other browsers, see [Wikipedia:Bypass your cache](#).

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1 importScript('User:Evad37/rater.js'); // [[User:Evad37/rater]]
```

Tagging & assessing articles

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.



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

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A crowdsourced list of articles in need of improvement

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- [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](#)

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](#)

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.*

1. **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 & linking pages across articles.



Review & assessment

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

Writing articles by quality and importance							
Quality	Importance						Total
	Top	High	Mid	Low	NA	???	
⊕ GA	1			1			2
B	2	2	2	10			16
C	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.
2. A great place to enlist help from other participants on an article or an issue you may be having.

Wikipedia talk:WikiProject Writing

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Project This page does not require a rating on the project's quality scale.

Welcome to the WikiProject Writing talk page! [\[edit source \]](#)

This page is a space to ask questions, coordinate collaborations, and discuss anything related to WikiProject Writing. You can learn more about using talk pages at [Help:Talk pages](#). We are so glad you're here! Drkill (talk) 01:28, 8 March 2021 (UTC)



Events

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

Wikipedia:WikiProject Writing/Events

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Articles in need of improvement • Articles in need of creation • Major scholars • Vital articles • Resources • Worklist

Centering BIPOC Women in Writing Studies

This [Women's History Month](#) WikiProject Writing aims to improve the coverage of BIPOC women scholars of language, literacy, rhetoric, and writing and their contributions to these fields. We aim to address ongoing systemic racial bias on Wikipedia through our efforts.

This month, our goals are to ...

- Expand our lists of 'redlinked' articles in need of creation and articles in need of improvement that focus on or



Leaving article ‘breadcrumbs’

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

Worklist

To coordinate our efforts and promote collaboration, we encourage you to let everyone know what article or parts of an article you’re working on. Here are a few great ways to use this list:

1. Add articles you are working on along with a note about your plans and where you might like help.
2. Add links to any draft articles you've created. (NB: When you create a draft others are able to edit this page alongside you. Whether or not you invite others to collaborate on the draft, it is important to mention that you are currently working on it so we can avoid the creation of the same article multiple times.)
3. Reply to others if you would like to collaborate with them. You can respond below their comment with a note about your plans for contributions.

Whenever you post a note to other editors, be sure to sign it with ~~~~ to leave a digital signature. If you are responding to someone else's comment and are not sure how to format your reply using wikitext, follow the example listed at [WP:THREAD](#). You will also find directions in the markup when you click on 'Edit source.'

- ...



Patrolling recent changes

1. 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.

Related changes

Enter a page name to see changes on pages linked to or from that page. (To see members of a category, enter Category:Name of category).

Show changes on pages linked from



Wikipedia:WikiProject Writing/Article lists

Active filters

Human (not bot) X Page edits X Page creations X Logged actions X

Filter changes (use menu or search for filter name)

▶ Live updates

26 March 2021

- (diff | hist) . . Wikipedia:WikiProject Writing/Events; 15:32 . . (+271) . . Breadyornot (talk | contribs)
- (diff | hist) . . m Writer; 09:17 . . (-6) . . Felida97 (talk | contribs) (*Reverted edits by 2402:4000:2382:FF0:58E3:6789:864D:7052 (talk) to last version by VincentGod11*) (*Tag: Rollback*)
- (diff | hist) . . Writer; 09:17 . . (+6) . . 2402:4000:2382:ff0:58e3:6789:864d:7052 (talk) (*shoots*) (*Tags: Visual edit, Reverted*)



Workflows

1. 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.

Wikipedia:WikiProject Writing/Article alerts

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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 [HistoricalAccountings](#) (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



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)
 - ✘ – not for now (not in priority list)
 - 🕒 – implementing (taking a while or need to do something else to get this working)
 - ❗ – under consideration (haven't examined the issues/process to say if currently plausible/worthwhile)
- | | | |
|--|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">✔ AfD – Articles for deletion✔ TfD – Templates for discussion✔ RfD – Redirects for discussion✔ CfD – Categories for discussion✔ FfD – Files for discussion❗ FfD (COM) – Deletion requests (on Commons)✔ MfD – Miscellany for deletion✔ PROD – Proposed deletion✔ BPROD – Proposed deletion (books)✔ FAC – Featured article candidates✔ FAR – Featured article review | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✔ FLC – Featured list candidates✔ FLRC – Featured list removal candidates❗ FP – Featured pictures✔ FTC – Featured topic candidates✔ FTRC – Featured topic removal candidates✔ ACR – A-Class review (project-specific)✔ GAN – Good article nominations✔ GAR – Good article reassessment✔ GTC – Good topic candidates✔ PR – Peer review✔ RfC – Requests for comment | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✔ RM – Requested moves✔ TFA – Today's featured articles✔ TFAR – Today's featured article requests✔ DYK – Did you know nominations (approved)✔ MRG – Articles for Merging✔ SPL – Articles for Splitting✔ AFC – Articles for Creation✘ ITN – In the news✘ OTD – Selected anniversaries✘ CP – Copyright problems✘ ON – Article alerts/News |
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For example...

Merging articles:

==Merger proposal==

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

```
{{Merge|OtherPage  
|date=February 2021 }}  
or  
{{Merge |OtherPage |  
{{subst:DATE}} }}
```

Renders as



It has been suggested that this page be merged with *OtherPage*. ([Discuss](#)) Proposed since October 2017.

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.

Search **WP:CCCCWI-HOURS** in the Wikipedia search bar to sign up and leave ideas for future office hours.

