



Wikimedia platforms, education, and free and open knowledge

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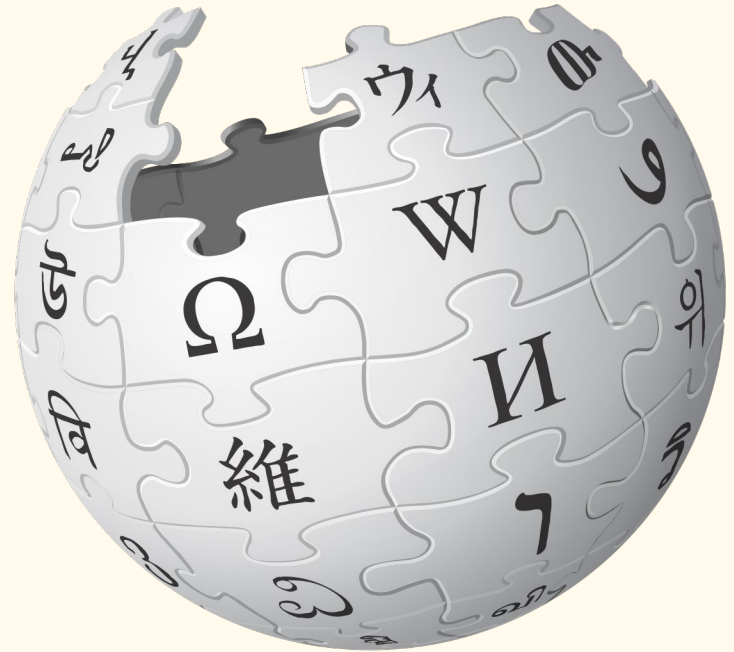
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“Imagine a world in which every single person on the planet is given free access to the sum of all human knowledge.

That's what we're doing.”



- NGO
- 10 employees
- Activities in Sweden and internationally
- Membership 100 SEK/year



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Language versions

- +22 billion views each month
- 60 million articles
- 318 languages
- Difference between countries and languages
- Different rules and standards



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But still not unconditionally (usually)



Pillars

WIKIPEDIA IS AN ENCYCLOPEDIA

- ❑ No original research
- ❑ There is a style form for the text
- ❑ Everything does not fit in an encyclopedia, there is a notability criteria

A NEUTRAL POINT OF VIEW

- ❑ Wikipedia characterize information and issues rather than debate them, presenting different opinions where such exist
- ❑ No commercials of any kind

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- ❑ All users license their work under free license, so anyone can use it – even for commercial reasons
- ❑ Plagiarizing from other sources is forbidden and controlled

EDITORS SHOULD TREAT EACH OTHER WITH RESPECT AND CIVILITY

- ❑ Respect your fellow wikipedians, even when you don't agree
- ❑ Never use Wikipedia as a battleground

WIKIPEDIA HAS NO FIRM RULES

- ❑ There are policies and guidelines, but they are always open for discussion
- ❑ The principles and spirit is what matters
- ❑ Be bold!



WIKIPEDIA
Den fria encyklopedin

Who edits?

- Anyone!
- Experts and laypeople
- The one who follows the [policies and guidelines](#)



Credibility

- [Recent changes](#)
- [Discussions](#)
 - [Löfstad slott](#) (swe)

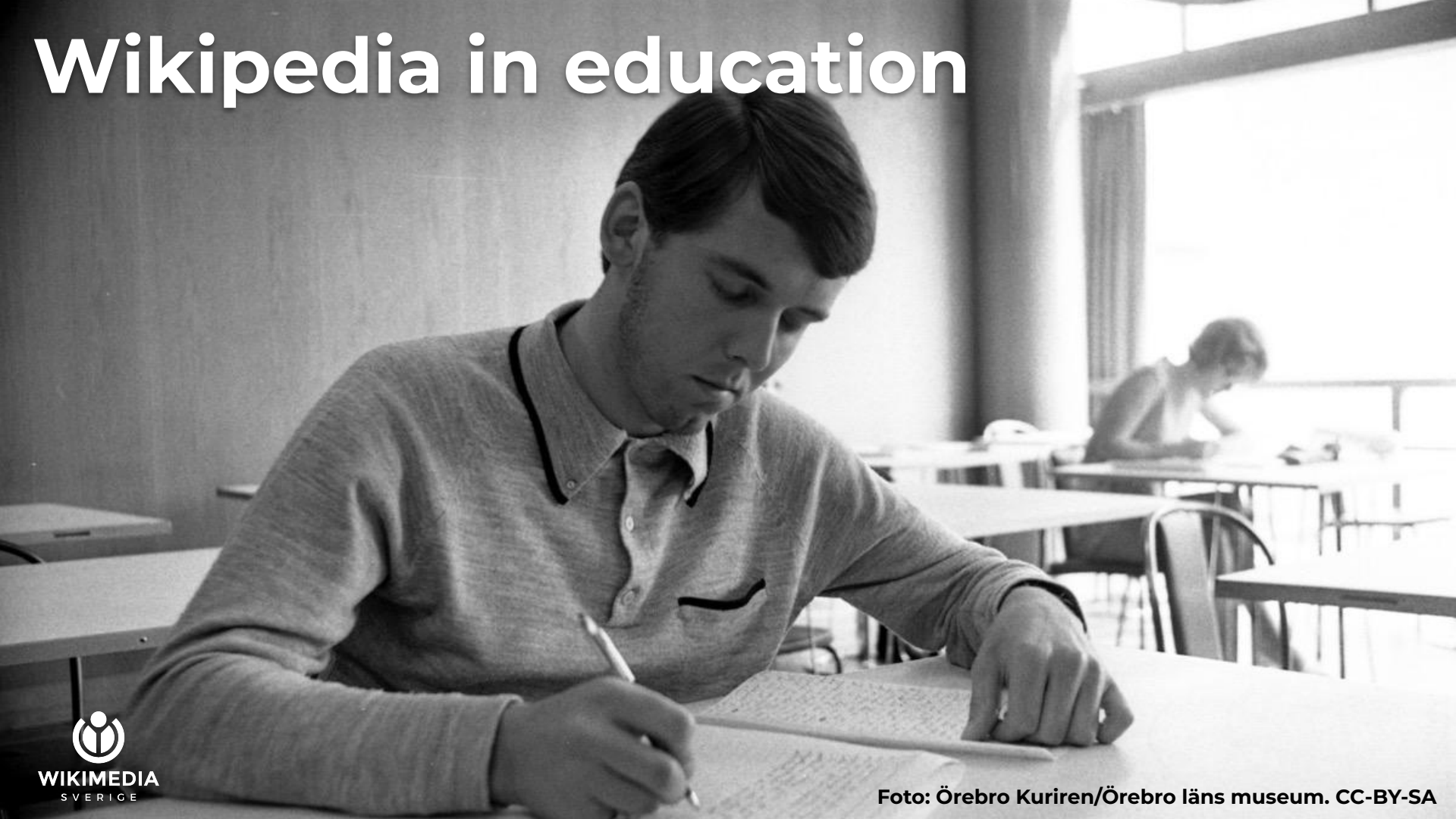


Notability

- [Policy](#)
- [Guidelines](#)



Wikipedia in education



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Ideas

- Proofreading articles, checking them against course literature
- Adding citations and sources where needed
- Adding information to articles
- Uploading and/or inserting images
- Improving datasets
- Wikidata queries
- Writing new articles



Ideas

- Could you see this happening?
- Anything catches your interest?
- Issues/problems?



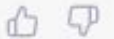
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What is Wikimedia Sverige?



Wikimedia Sverige is the Swedish chapter of the Wikimedia Foundation, which is a non-profit organization that operates Wikipedia and other free knowledge projects. Wikimedia Sverige aims to promote and support the growth and development of Wikipedia and other Wikimedia projects in Sweden, and to encourage the use and distribution of free knowledge. The organization works to advance the vision of a world in which every single human being can freely share in the sum of all knowledge.



AI



Can you tell me who Josefine Hellroth Larsson is?



I'm sorry, I don't have information on a person named Josefine Hellroth Larsson. Could you provide more context or details about this person?



AI

<https://sv.wikipedia.org> > wiki > Josefine_Hellroth_Lars... ▾

Josefine Hellroth Larsson - Wikipedia

Josefine Hellroth Larsson, tidigare Larsson, född 17 april 1986 i Reftele. Verkar sedan 2010 i Unions-Stockholms regionstyrelse



AI and Wikimedia platforms

- Like Wikipedia in that sense: it's not about what is true – it's about what's verifiable (what data it's trained on)
 - An issue both on Wikipedia and in AI: sources are biased, how can we make up for that?
- When is Chat GPT not good enough?
 - Citations and sources
 - Neutrality and objectivity
 - “She was known for her impeccable taste and her ability to mix different styles and patterns to create harmonious and beautiful interiors.”

Free and open knowledge

- Open science
- Open data
- Open educational resources
- Open source
- Creative Commons
- etc.



Free and open knowledge

- Who are we educating?
 - Only the students?
 - Other parts of society?
- Who has the right to our research?
 - Do we think of that when publishing? Platforms, language, etc.
- What is our societal responsibility?



A wide-angle photograph of a rural landscape at sunset. The sky is filled with dramatic, dark clouds, with a bright orange and yellow glow from the setting sun on the right. In the foreground and middle ground, a large herd of sheep is grazing in a field of tall, golden-brown grass. In the distance, a small white building is visible on the horizon. The overall mood is peaceful and scenic.

Tack!