University of Maryland Disability Awareness Month Wikipedia Edit-a-thon

October 3, 2019

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Wikimedia DC is the regional outreach organization for Wikipedia and the other projects of the Wikimedia Foundation. Our mission is to promote participation in Wikimedia projects in Washington, DC, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware and throughout the United States.

This presentation was created by Wikimedia DC for the purpose of training new Wikipedia editors. It may be downloaded at: Commons.wikimedia.org, Search ' 2019 Virginia Association of Museums '

More about the Wikimedia Affiliates Model

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- What is Wikipedia?
- Why edit?
- Wiki projects
- Wikipedia's gender gap
- Basics and policies
- Article anatomy
- Adding/Editing Content
- Other ways to edit
- Uploading images

Housekeeping

Wifi, wiki event page, username creation

Create A Username/Sign-in : en.wikipedia.org

Navigate to the wiki event page

1. Go to en.wikipedia.org
2. Enter the following shortcut into the search bar (top right).

WP:WMDC-UMDDA

3. Bookmark this page. We will use it throughout the day.

Wiki Event Page

Shortcut
WP:WMDC-UMDDA

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University of Maryland Disability Awareness Month Wikipedia Edit-a-thon

Join us to kick off the University of Maryland's Disability Awareness Month events with a Wikipedia edit-a-thon. During this event, we will edit and expand Wikipedia articles related to disability. By contributing to Wikipedia, we can help to ensure that its well-trafficked resources provide comprehensive and accurate representations of disability.

New to editing Wikipedia? Don't worry - training will be provided.

Laptops are required. Please bring your own. Wikimedia DC has two laptops to loan. Reserve one by emailing info@wikimediadc.org.

This event is free and open to the public. Registration is required.

When

Thursday, October 3, 2019 Time: 2PM - 5PM

Where

Edward St. John Learning and Teaching Center (ESJ)
Room 1309
4131 Campus Drive
College Park, MD 20740

Register

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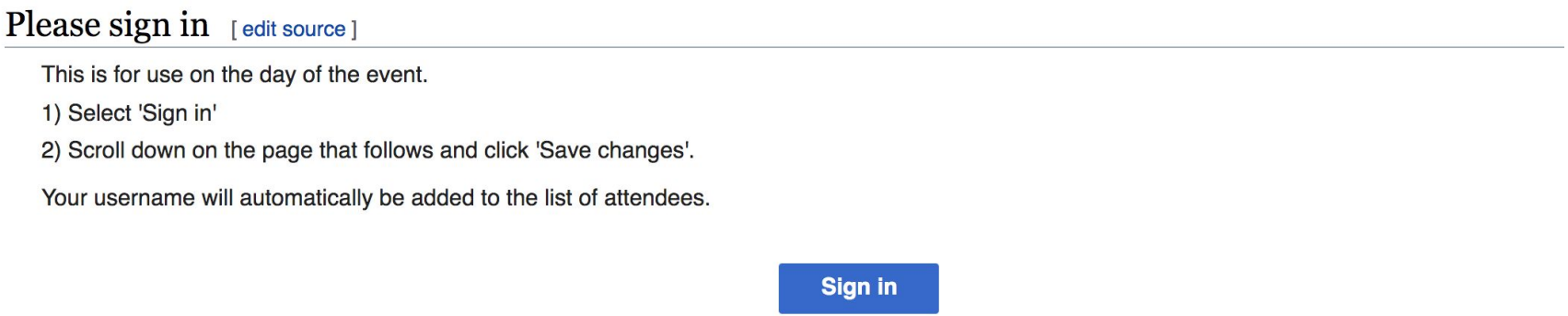
Wiki Event Page: Sign-in

1. Scroll down to the Sign-in section
2. Click the blue ‘Sign-in’ button



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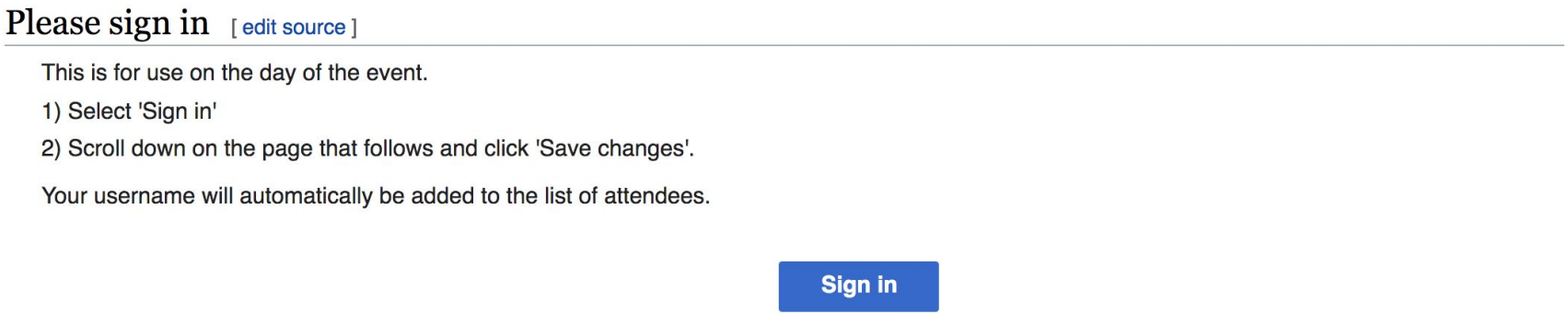

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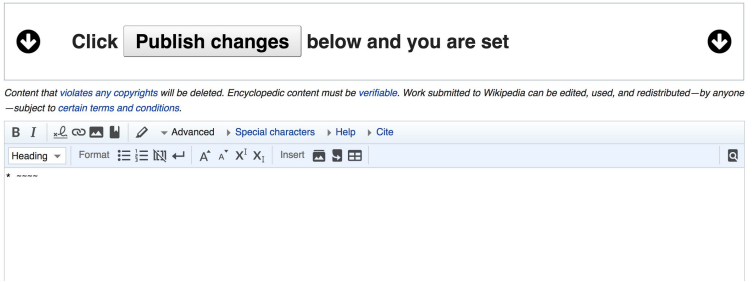
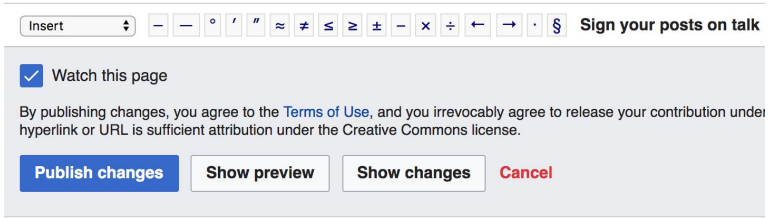


4. Click the 'Publish' button



Wikipedia

What exactly is it, anyway???

What is Wikipedia?

Wikipedia is a multilingual, web-based, free encyclopedia based on a model of openly editable content. It is the largest and most popular general reference work on the Internet. [Wikipedia] is supported by the Wikimedia Foundation, a non-profit organization which operates on money it receives from donors.

From Wikipedia (en)

Wikipedia: the 21st-century encyclopedia

“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.”

-Jimmy Wales, co-founder, Wikipedia

About us

Free as in beer, Free as in freedom ... gratis et libre

Created and edited by volunteers

Overseen by nonprofit Wikimedia Foundation

All edits and versions recorded forever (revision history)

5+ million articles, 270+ languages

75k active editors/month, 11k very active editors/month

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Wikipedia Basics and Policies

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Georgetown University

Source: Wikimedia Commons

Wikis

- A website where anyone can edit any page at any time
- Meant to be "quick"
- Remembers all versions (nothing ever destroyed)
- Hyperlinks between pages

Wikipedia Five Pillars

- Wikipedia is an encyclopedia
- Wikipedia is written from a neutral point of view
- Wikipedia is free content that anyone can use, edit, and distribute
- Wikipedia's editors should treat each other with respect and civility
- Wikipedia has no firm rules

Wikipedia Policies

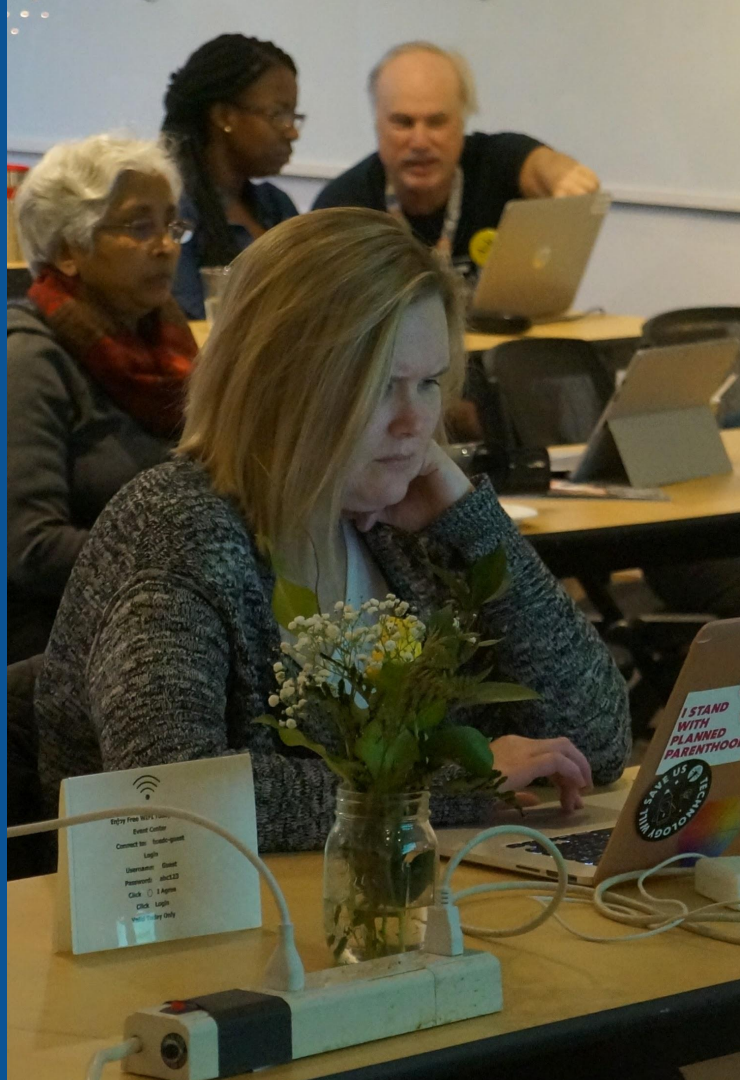
- **Neutral Point of View** - written so all sides can agree
- **Notability** - significant independent sources -> importance
- **Verifiability** - Using reliable sources to reference information
- **No original research** - point to existing scholarship
- **Assume good faith** - start with congenial spirit
- **Conflicts of interest** - disclose and abide by terms of service

Additional policies: Wikipedia:List of policies

Why Edit?

Photo: Women's Economic Empowerment Edit-a-thon, Embassy of Sweden

Source: Wikimedia Commons



Why Edit?

Because #FactsMatter

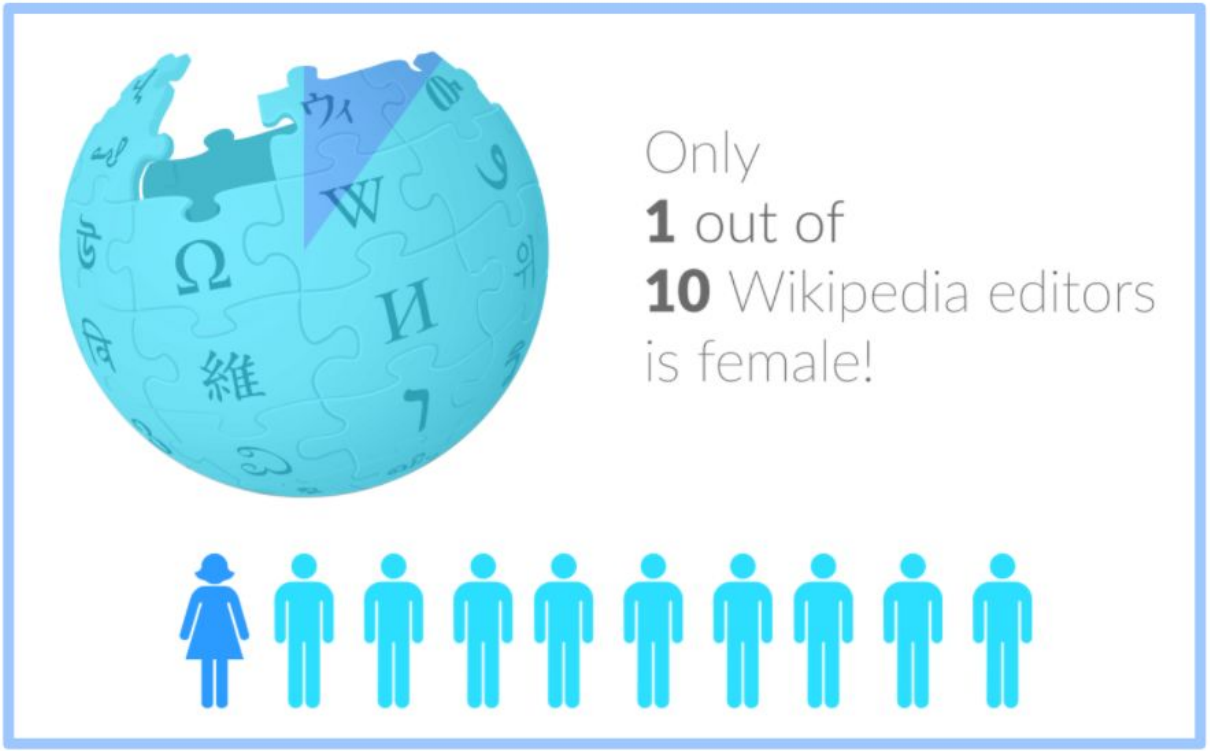
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xQ4ba28-oGs

Wikipedia's Gender Gap

Photo: Art and Feminism Wikipedia-Edit-A-Thon
National Museum of Women in the Arts

Source: Wikimedia Commons

Editor gender gap? Unsilence the silent



Content gender gap? Make the invisible visible

Percentage of women's biographies

November 2014	September 2019
15%	18.01%
English language Wikipedia	English language Wikipedia

How Can We Fix This?

- **Engagement through edit-a-thons, training opportunities and Wikiprojects like Women in Red.**

  Example: NMWA event featured the the BBC

- **Partnerships with nonprofits*, colleges/universities, government entities and beyond**

***75% of nonprofit employees are female.**
These nonprofits include educational, scientific and literary organizations. It's time to engage these 'gatekeepers'.

*Source The White House Project's 2009 report, ***Benchmarking Women's Leadership***,

Set Preferences

Photo: Vietnam-Era US Coast Guard Records Editing Workshop
National Archives

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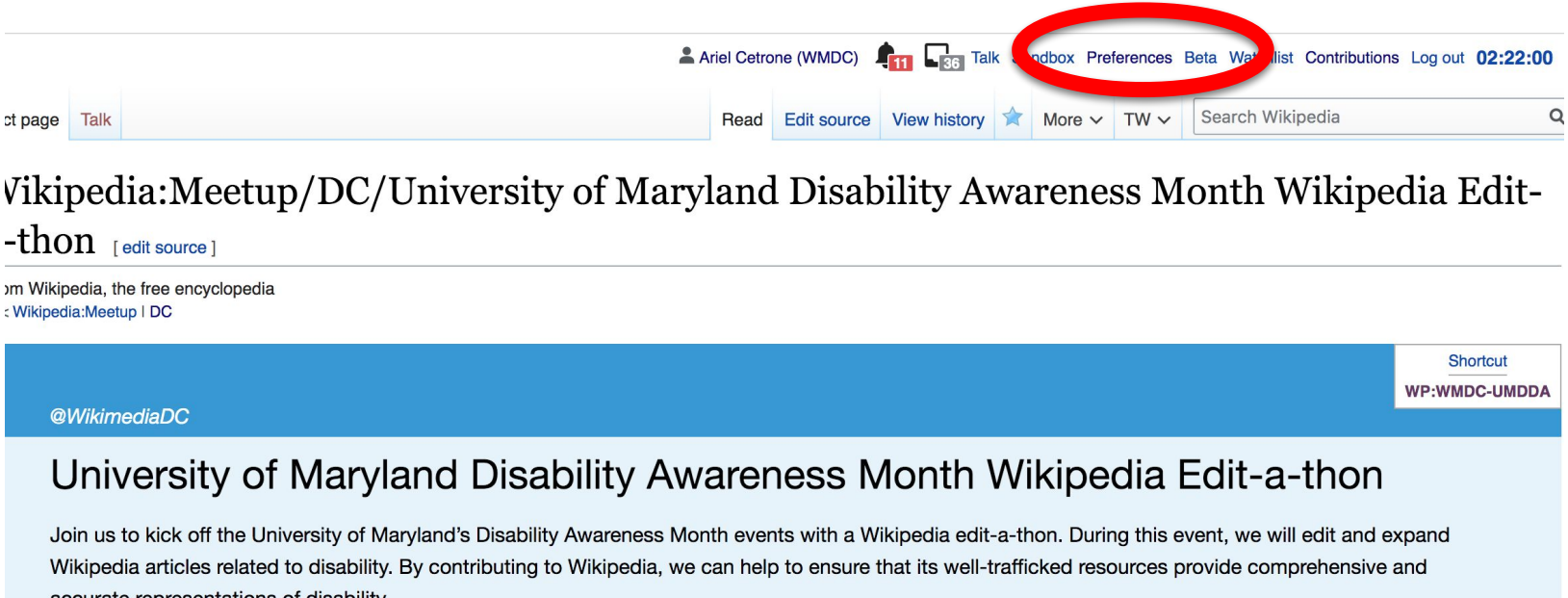
Set Editing Preferences: Activate Visual Editor

1. Open the Wiki event page or any Wikipedia article
2. Select 'Preferences' (Top right of the page)



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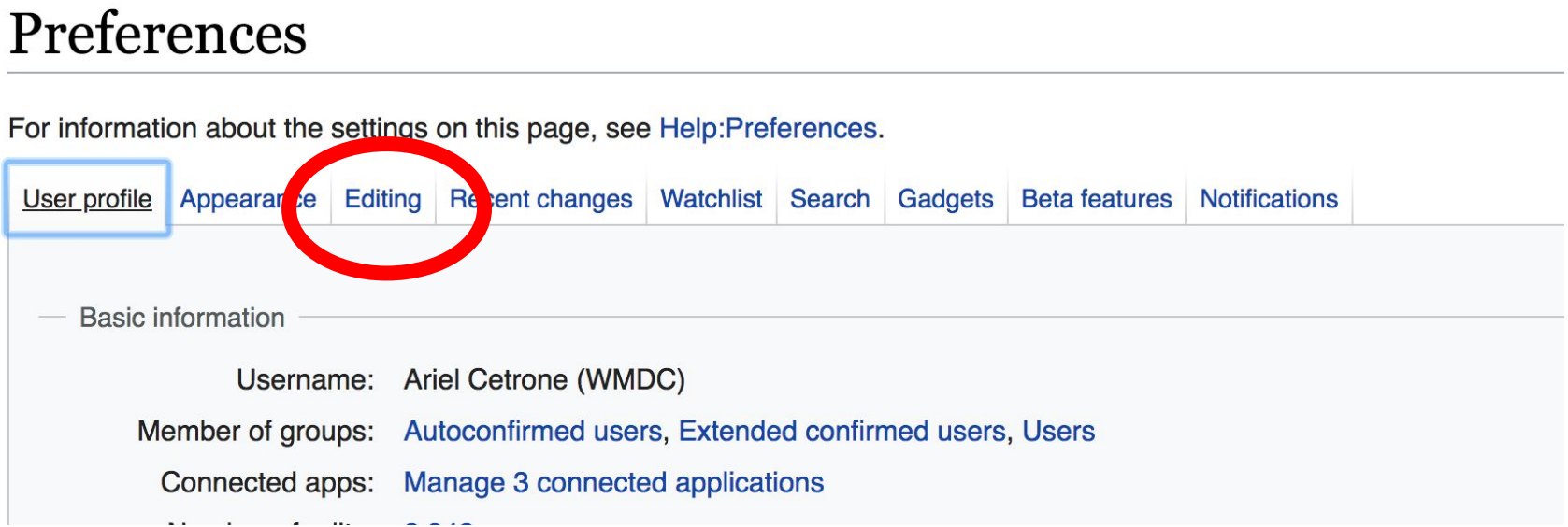
3. Select the 'Editing' tab

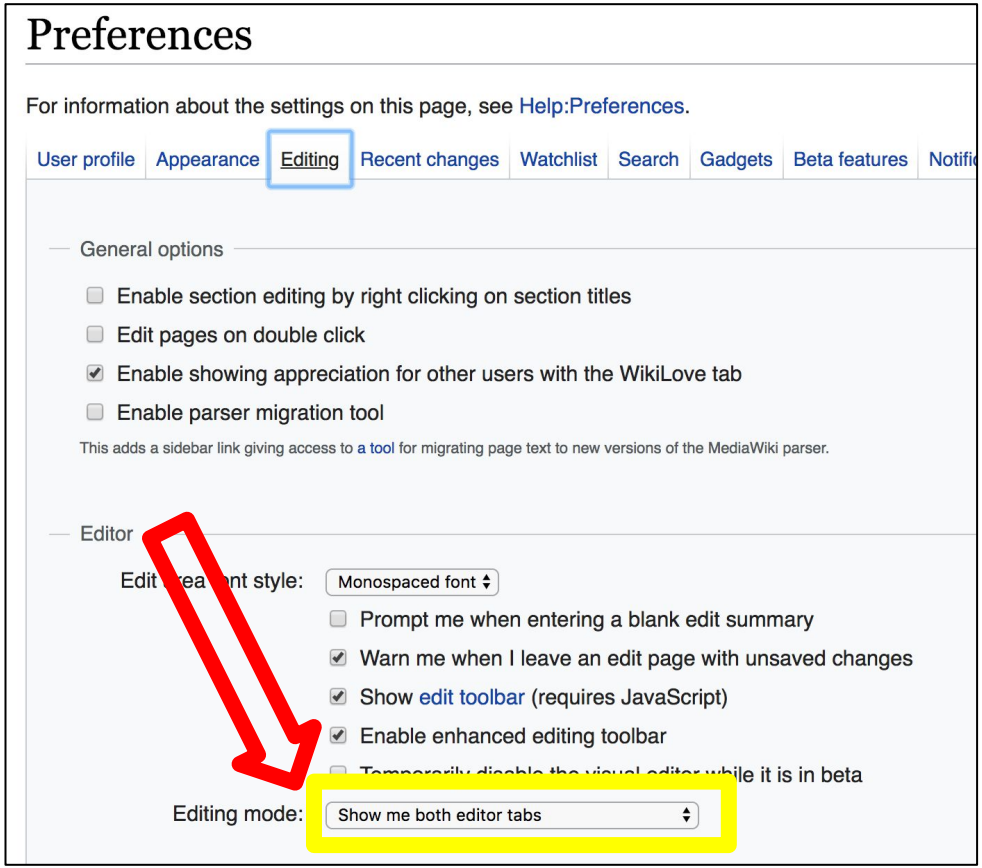


Set Editing Preferences: Editor Type

4. Scroll down to 'Editor'

5. Select 'Show me Both Editor Tabs' from the 'Editing Mode' dropdown menu

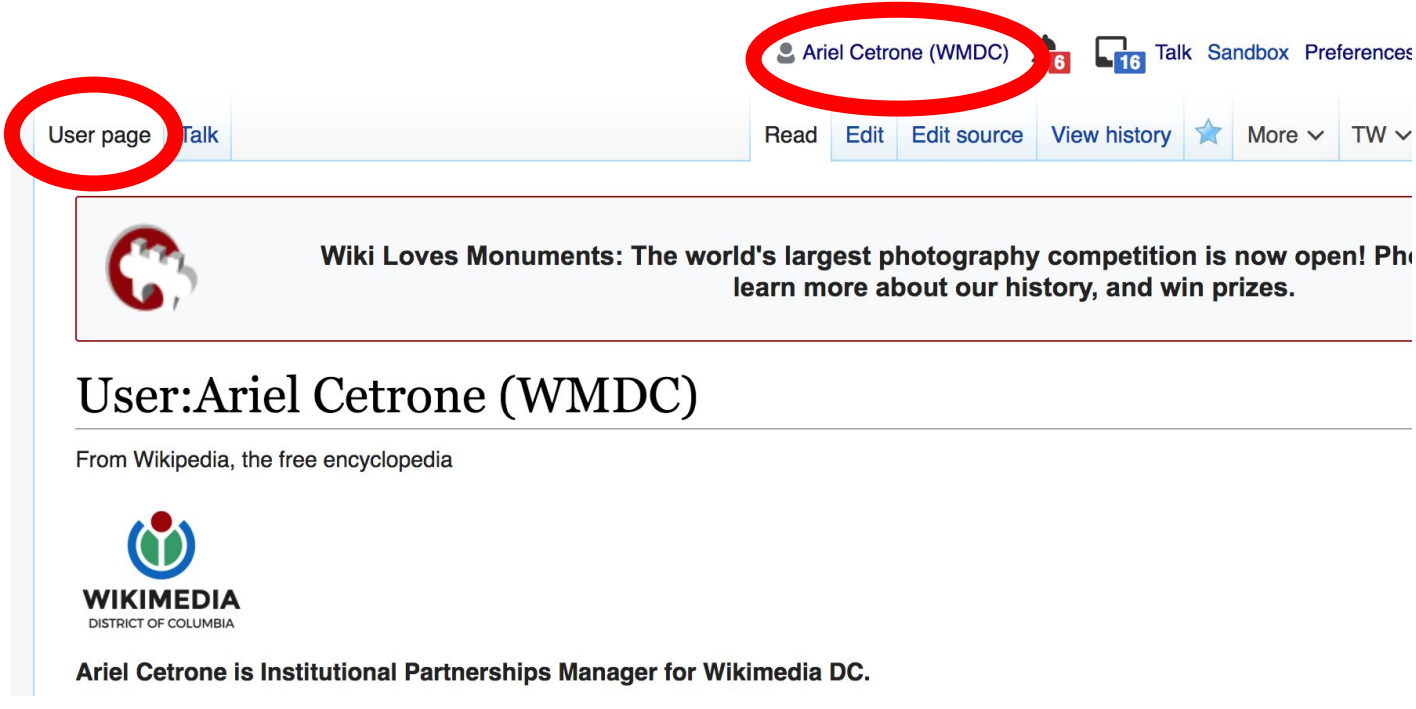
6. Save (Bottom left)



User Page

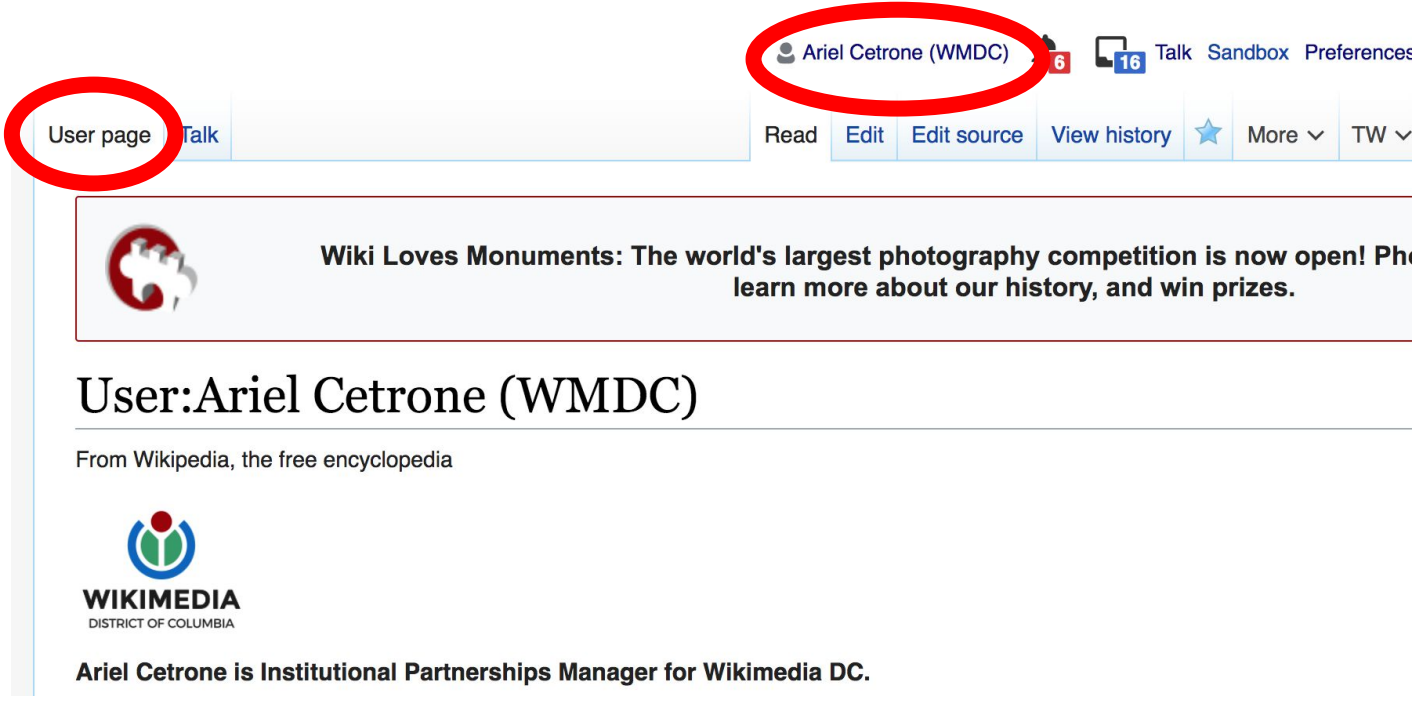
User Page

- All users/editors are assigned a user page
- Access user page by selecting your username (top right)



User Page

- Opportunity to share information and interests
- Use is optional



Talk Page

- Receive messages
- Communicate with other users

Tabs/Article Anatomy

Photo: Hispanic Heritage Month Edit-a-thon
National Archives

Source: Wikimedia Commons

Sample Article

Article | Talk | Read | Edit | Edit source | View history | More | TW | Search Wikipedia

Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 [edit | edit source]

ORES predicted quality: B (3.97)
A B-class article from Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

The **Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990** (42 U.S.C. § 12101) is a civil rights law that prohibits discrimination based on disability. It affords similar protections against discrimination to Americans with disabilities as the Civil Rights Act of 1964,[1] which made discrimination based on race, religion, sex, national origin, and other characteristics illegal. In addition, unlike the Civil Rights Act, the ADA also requires covered employers to provide reasonable accommodations to employees with disabilities, and imposes accessibility requirements on public accommodations.[2]

In 1986, the National Council on Disability had recommended enactment of an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and drafted the first version of the bill which was introduced in the House and Senate in 1988. The final version of the bill was signed into law on July 26, 1990, by President George H. W. Bush. It was later amended in 2008 and signed by President George W. Bush with changes effective as of January 1, 2009.[3]

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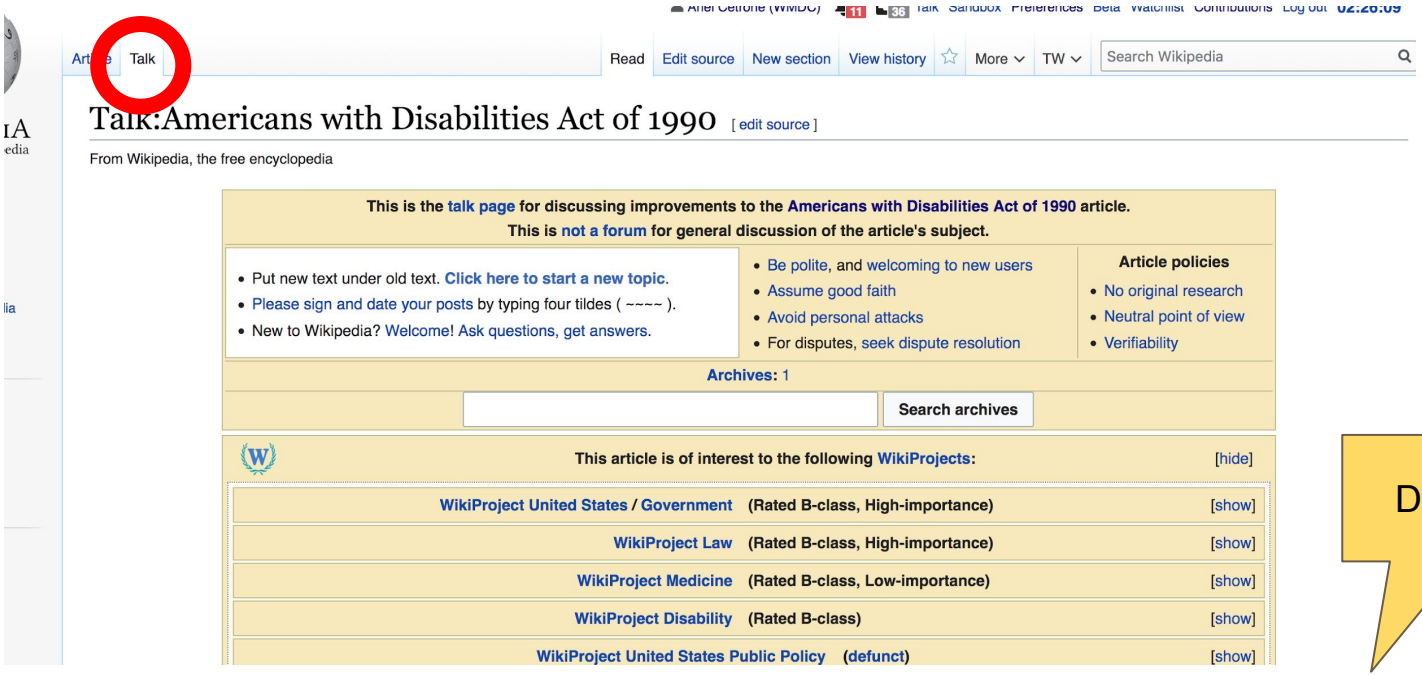
  2.2 Title II—public entities (and public transportation)
  2.3 Title III—public accommodations (and commercial facilities)
    2.3.1 Service animals
  2.4 Title IV—telecommunications

Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

Long title	An Act to establish a clear and comprehensive prohibition of discrimination on the basis of disability
Acronyms (colloquial)	ADA
Nicknames	Americans with Disabilities Act of 1989
Enacted by	the 101st United States Congress
Effective	July 26, 1990
Citations	
Public law	101-336

Exploring Tabs: Talk Page

- Discuss the article with other editors
- Use is optional



Discussion

Exploring Tabs: Article history

Sections: Lead Paragraphs, Info boxes

Sections: References

Disabilities included [edit | edit source]

ADA disabilities include both mental and physical medical conditions. A condition does not need to be severe or permanent to be a disability.[6] Equal Employment Opportunity Commission regulations provide a list of conditions that should easily be concluded to be disabilities: deafness, blindness, an intellectual disability (formerly termed mental retardation), partially or completely missing limbs or mobility impairments requiring the use of a wheelchair, autism, cancer, cerebral palsy, diabetes, epilepsy, Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) infection, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy, major depressive disorder, bipolar disorder, post-traumatic stress disorder, obsessive compulsive disorder, and schizophrenia.[7] Other mental or physical health conditions also may be disabilities, depending on what the individual's symptoms would be in the absence of "mitigating measures" (medication, therapy, assistive devices, or other means of restoring function), during an "active episode" of the condition (if the condition is episodic).[7]

Certain specific conditions that are widely considered anti-social, or tend to result in illegal activity, such as kleptomania, pedophilia, exhibitionism, voyeurism, etc. are excluded under the definition of "disability" in order to prevent abuse of the statute's purpose.[8][9] Additionally, gender identity or orientation is no longer considered a disorder and is also excluded under the definition of "disability".[9][10]

Disabilities Act of 1990, As Amended". ada.gov.

9. ^ a b EEOC (... Amendme...

10. ^ Civil Rights Division, US Department of Justice (2009). "42 U.S. Code § 12211 - Definitions, Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, As Amended". ada.gov.

34. ^ "Should the Ser... prove the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1989?" Congressional Digest December (1989): 297.

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36. ^ Mandel, Susan. "Disabling the GOP", *The National Review* November 6, 1990, Vol. 42 Issue 11, pp. 23–24

55. ...

56. ...

57. ...

References or notes
(Inline citations)

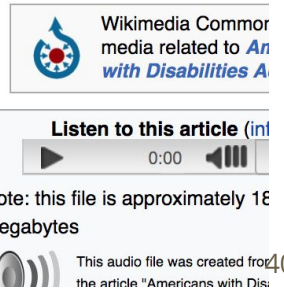
Additional Sections

See also [edit | edit source]

- ADA Signs
- American Disability rights movement
- Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
- Developmental disability
- Individual rights advocate
- Interactive accommodation process
- United States Access Board
- Job Accommodation Network
- List of anti-discrimination acts
  - Disability discrimination act

External links [edit | edit source]

- Department of Labor ADA page
- Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ADA page
- Navigable text of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 – 42 U.S. Code Chapter 126



Editing Existing Articles

Photo: Catergory: Wikimedia DC meetups

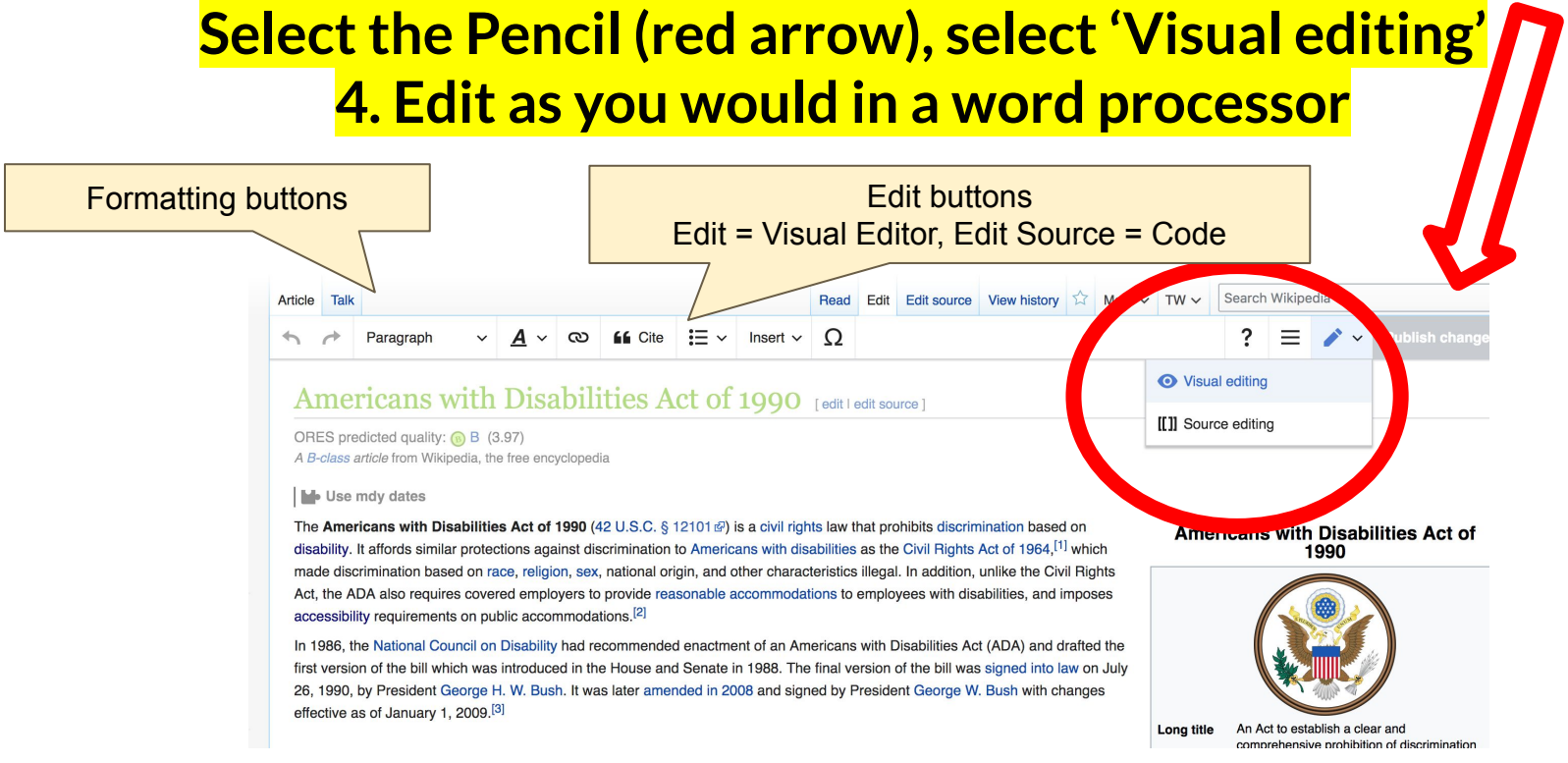
Source: Wikimedia Commons

Edit w/ Visual Editor = What you see is what you get (mostly)

1. Locate an article
2. Select 'Edit'
3. Unsure if you are in Visual Editor?

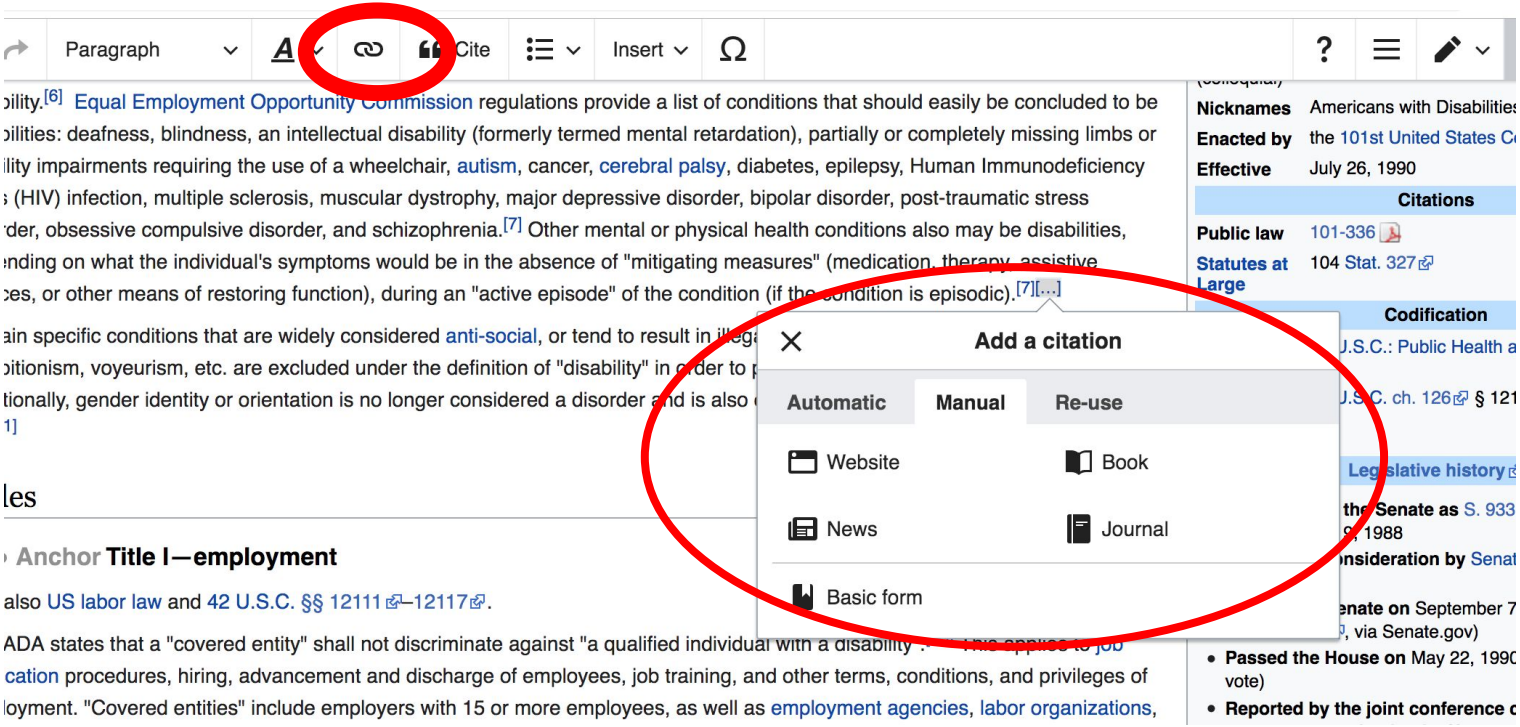
Select the Pencil (red arrow), select 'Visual editing'

4. Edit as you would in a word processor



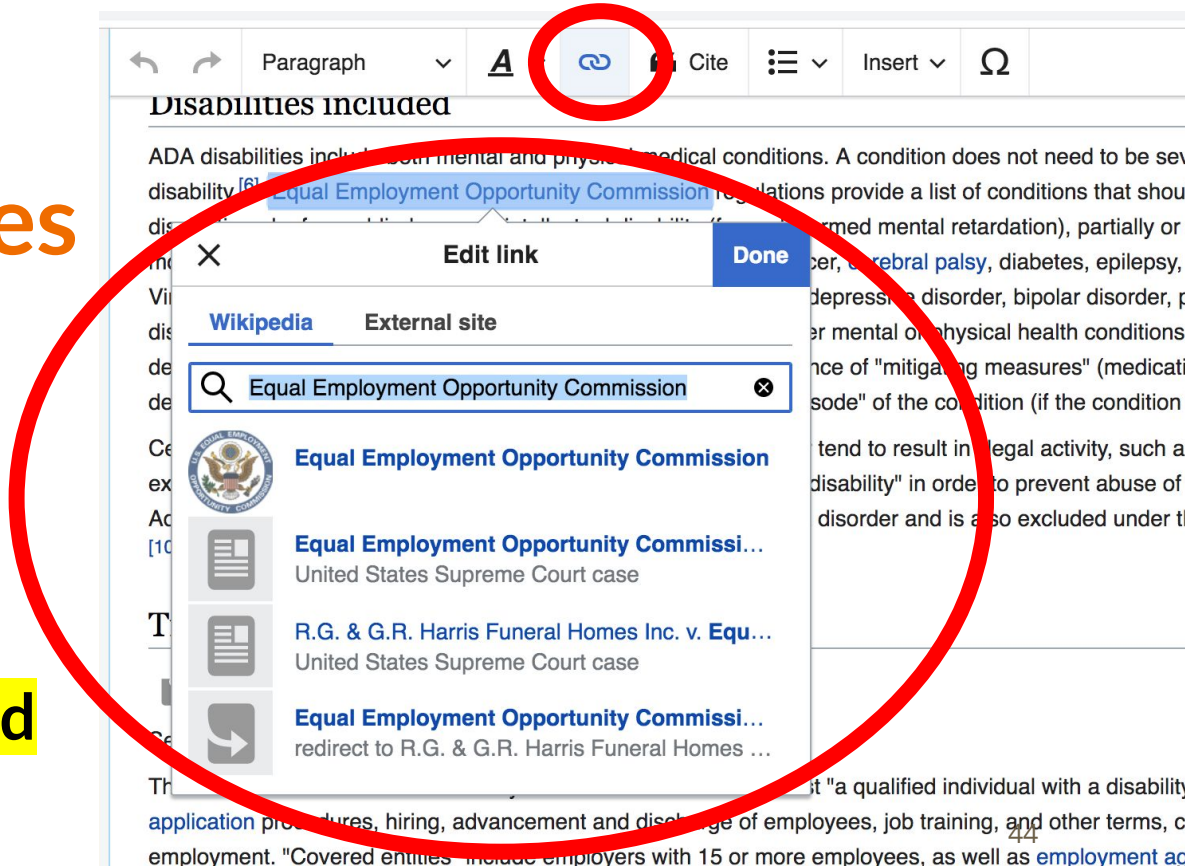
Cite your sources

1. Place cursor in desired location, select ‘Cite’
2. Follow prompts



Create links between articles

1. Select text
2. Select link icon
3. Select article and ‘Done’



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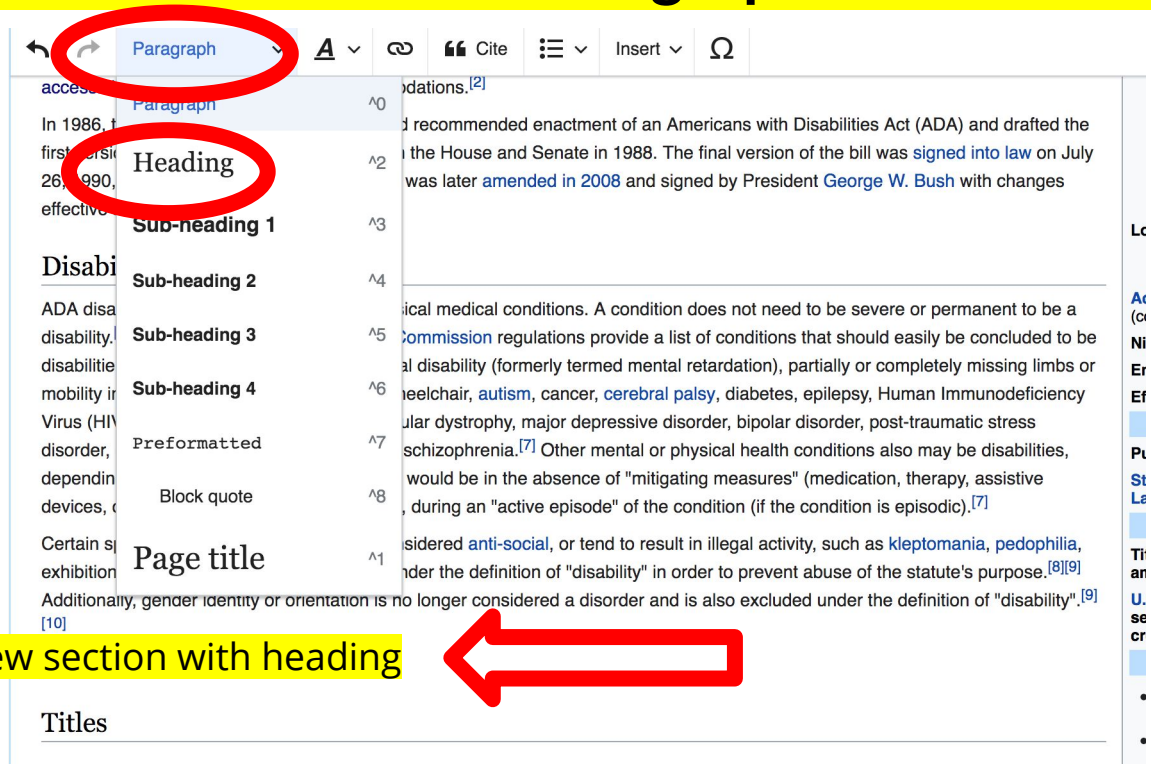
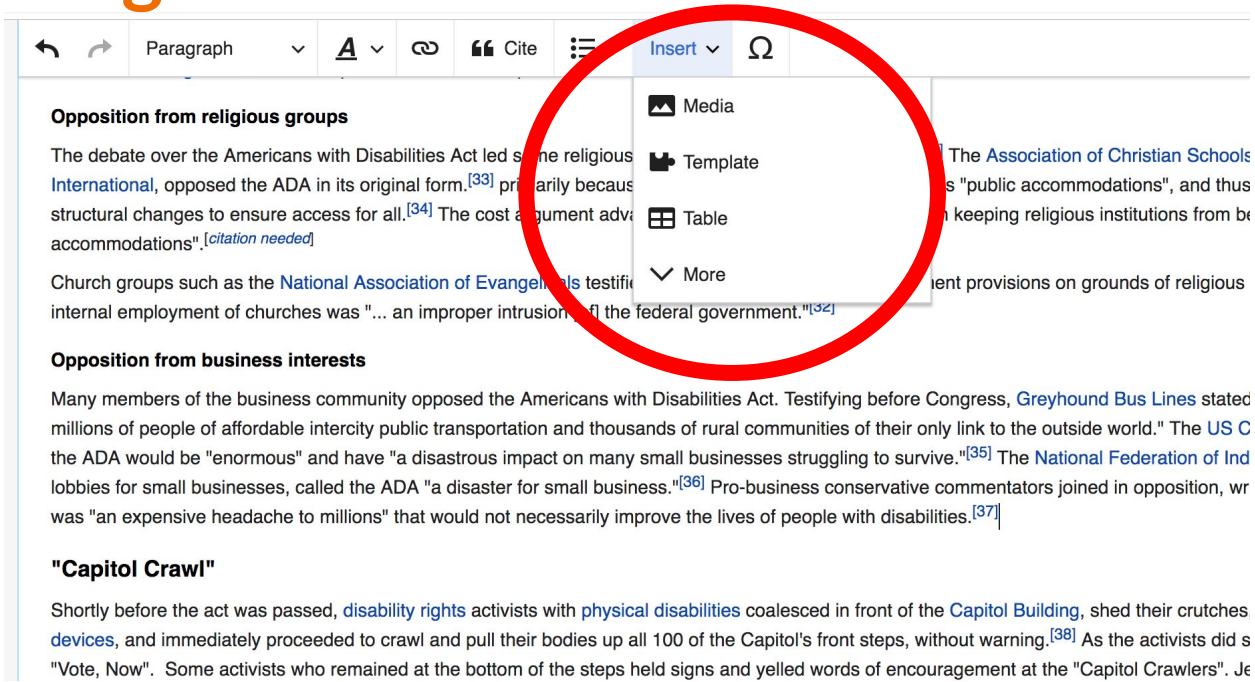


Adding Photos with Wikimedia Commons



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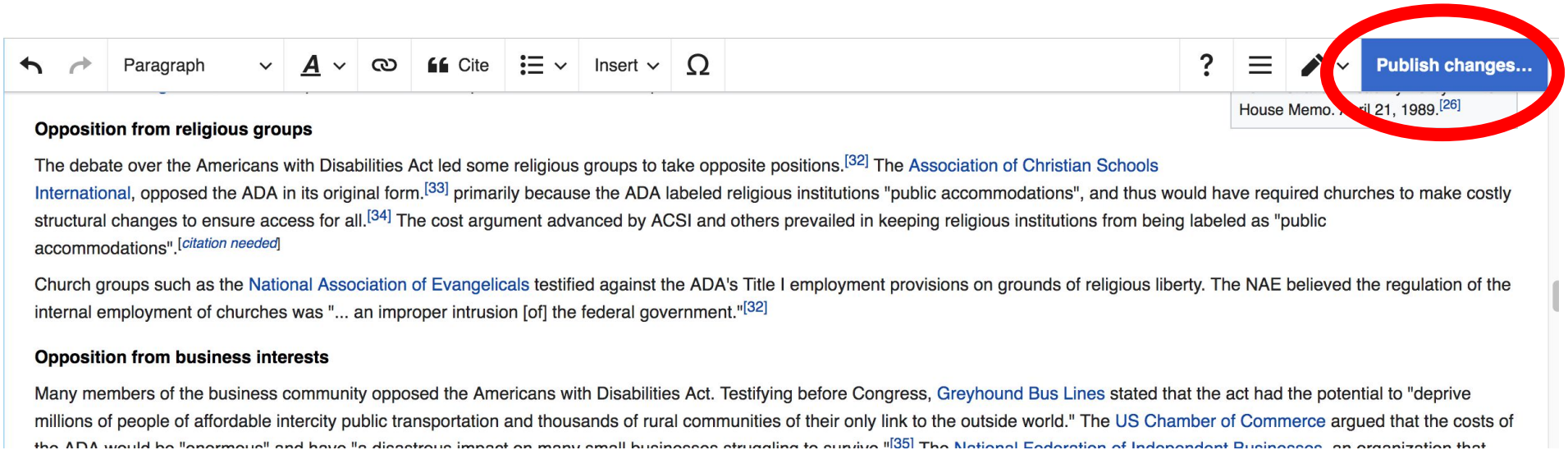
3. Enter search term **4. Select photo + 'Use this image'**

Don’t forget to ‘Publish Changes’



Explore linked articles

- Search linked articles for relevant information
- ‘Copy and Paste’ is acceptable between WP articles as long as content is relevant
- Also a good way to find new sources

Creating New Articles

Photo: University of Maryland iSchool Disability Justice Editing Workshop

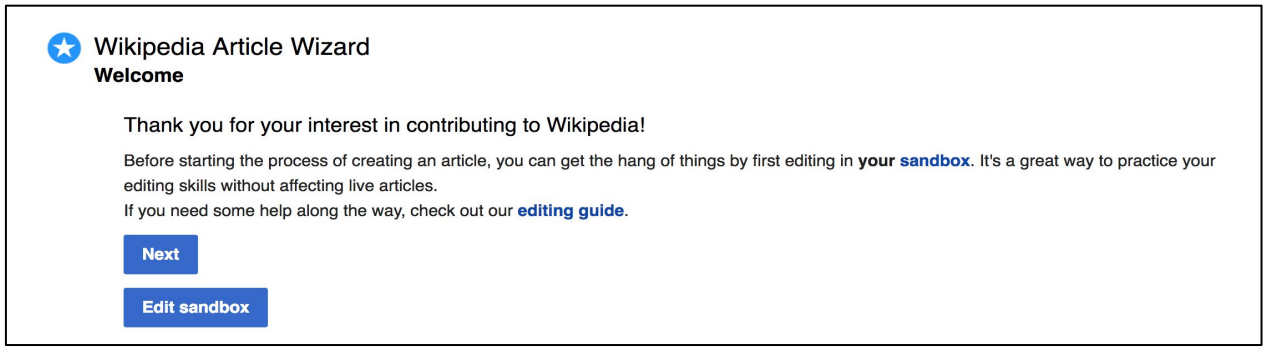
Source: Wikimedia Commons

Create A New Article: Three Ways to Get Started

1. **Start a draft using the Article Wizard**

(Enter Wikipedia: Article Wizard into search bar)

- **Follow prompts**
- **Publish in draft form**



Or…

Create A New Article: Three Ways to Get Started

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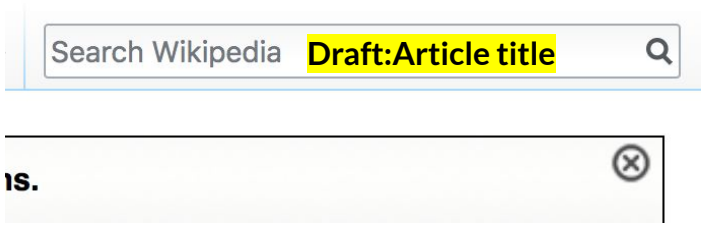
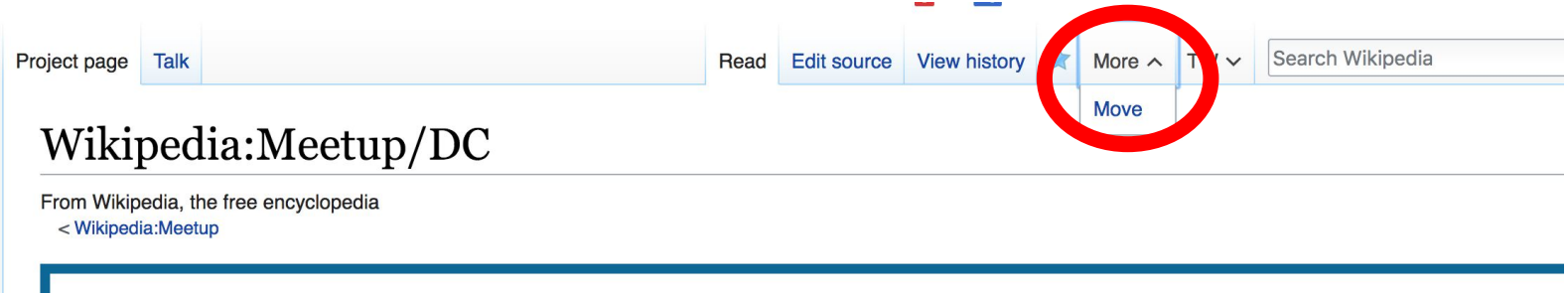
  - Click the **red link** to start the article



Draft cont.

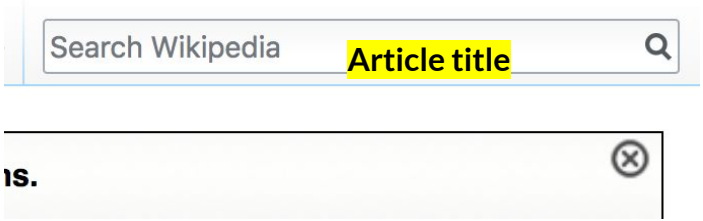
- Start writing and publish as you go
- When happy with your draft, select ‘More’ then ‘Move’
- Select ‘Article’ in menu under New Title, remove ‘Draft:’ and move page

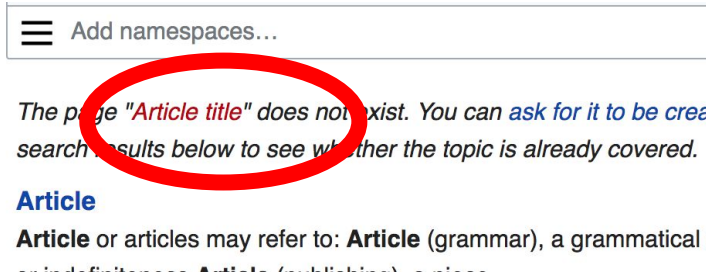


Create A New Article cont.

2. Start a ‘Mainspace’ article

- Enter Article title into WP search bar
- Click the red link to start the article
- Create
- Publish





Create A New Article cont.

3. Practice using your Sandbox

- Select Sandbox
- Select Edit or Edit Source
- Create article or section
- Copy/Paste Sandbox content into a draft of mainspace article

Tips/Other Ways to Edit

Photo: National Rivers and Trails Wikipedia Editing Workshop Bureau of Land Management

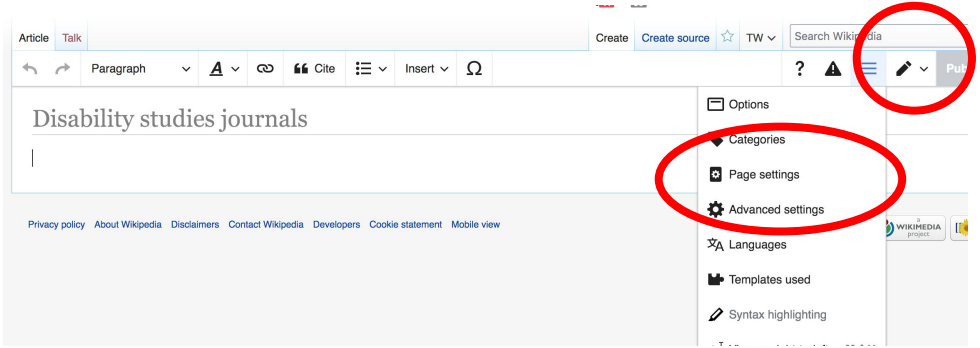
Source: Wikimedia Commons

Adding Categories

1. Leave Editing mode
2. Select +
3. Type the category name into the field, i.e. United States federal disability legislation. Only existing categories will appear in the list of options. You may create new categories.
4. Select ‘Apply Changes’

Redirects

1. **Identify target article -**
‘List of disability studies journals’
2. **Create a new article. Name it the alias.**
‘Disability Studies Journals’
3. **To Redirect, select icon w/ three lines.**
4. **Select Page settings.**



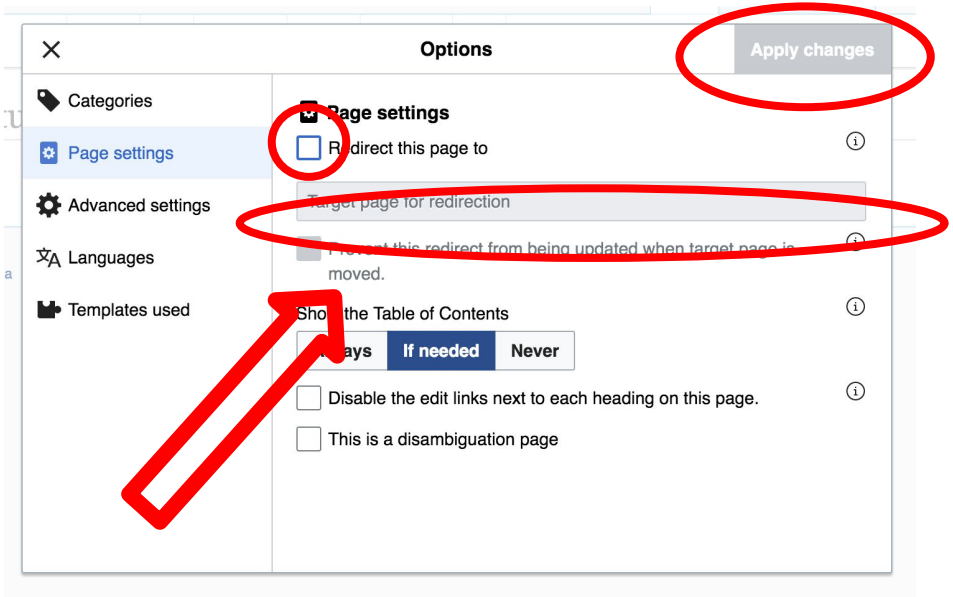
Redirects cont.

5. Select ‘Redirect page to’

6. Enter name of the target article

(Ex. List of disability studies journals)

7. Select Apply changes 8. Select ‘Apply changes



Uploading Photos to Wikicommons

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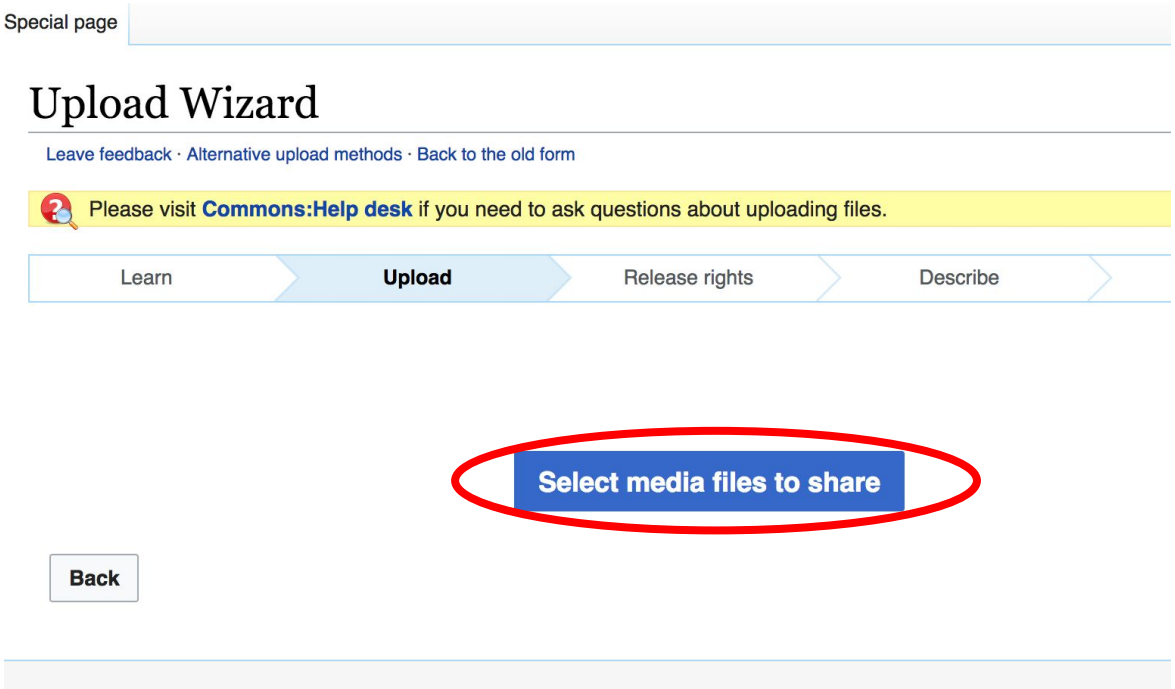
Adding Photos

1. Go to commons.wikimedia.org
2. Select Upload

Adding Photos

3. Select media files to share



Adding Photos

4. Address copyright

Upload Wizard

Leave feedback · Alternative upload methods · Back to the old form

Please visit **Commons:Help desk** if you need to ask questions about uploading files.

Learn | Upload | **Release rights** | Describe | Use

This site requires you to provide copyright information for this work, to make sure everyone can legally reuse it.

This file is my own work.

I, Ariel Cetrone (WMDC), the copyright holder of this work, irrevocably grant anyone the right to use this work under the Creative Commons Attribution ShareAlike 4.0 license (legal code).

(Anyone may use, share or remix this work, as long as they credit me and share any derivative work under this license.)

Use a different license

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Back

Next

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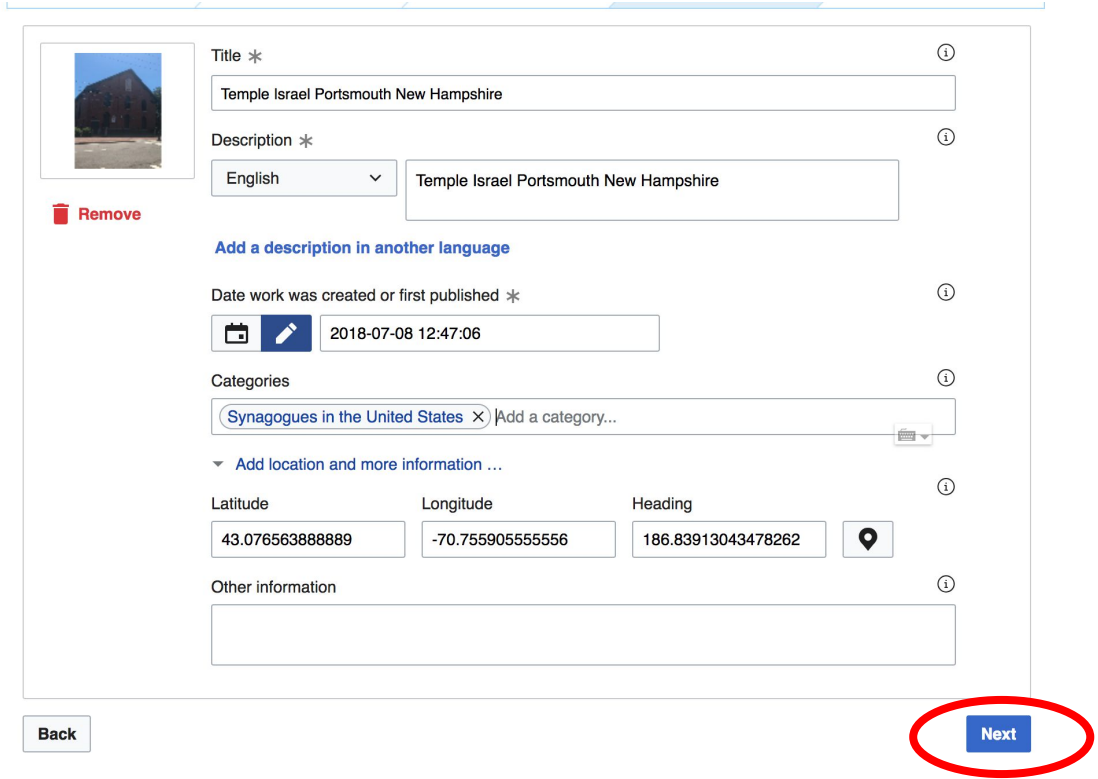
4. Name and caption your photo, add category