

Poverty, Justice, Human Capabilities Program Wikipedia Assignment

WikiProject

Due: Friday, March 9th, 1:00 PM

Assignment: Join a WikiProject

WikiProject pages are places to discuss the overall organization of knowledge in Wikipedia on a certain topic, and to alert WikiProject communities about the importance of developing pages in a particular area. This is not the place to discuss details relating to specific changes you will make to a page if the overall categorization of the knowledge makes sense.

According to the [WikiProject Guide](#), a WikiProject is a group of editors that collaborate on encyclopedic work at collection of pages devoted to the management of a specific topic or family of topics within Wikipedia. It is not a place to write or discuss the details of specific encyclopedia articles, but a resource to help coordinate, organize, and share ideas about article writing.

Your contribution should draw from your submitted proposal so that other Wikipedia editors will understand your aim for the page. Keep in mind that other Wikipedia editors may access your user page to better understand your contributions.

We attach some examples from previous classes; please note that the overall assignment has evolved since these examples were written, and that we expect you to provide a greater level of detail for your current WikiProject Contributions.

Instructions:

1. To begin, find **two or more** WikiProjects that are relevant to your contribution.
2. You may wish to browse the WikiProject directory found [here](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:WikiProject_Council/Directory/History_and_society): (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:WikiProject_Council/Directory/History_and_society).
3. Review the goals and guidelines of the group and make sure that your proposed contribution is consistent with the group's guidelines.
4. Add your username to the list of participants for the WikiProjects you wish to join.
 - All WikiProjects are different, but instructions for adding yourself to the project list of participants can usually be located by looking through the WikiProject page's outline
 - To add yourself to the list, either follow the instructions given or simply edit the participant list and add your username at the bottom
5. Once you are a member of the project, you should contribute to that project's discussion page to notify the community of your planned work.
6. Ask for feedback from other users and use any peer comments to further improve the plan for your revised or new entry

7. **Submit to OWL-Space: Deadline Friday, 9 March 2012, 1:00 PM**

Once you submit your WikiProject contribution to Wikipedia, take screenshots that show your contributions. Be sure the screenshots contain a font size that is large and easy to read. The zoom feature on your computer and/or browser can solve this problem if the font is too small. Check your work by printing your contributions to make sure that the printed version is the equivalent size as the print in this handout. Screenshots with too small print will lose points.

Do not save the entire page as a pdf, especially if the Discussion page is exceptionally long. The screenshots **must** include your contribution and your username.

Submit these files to the relevant assignment tab on OWL-Space and for full credit save the file as follows: <LastName>WikiProject.pdf (or .jpg)