Women in Science Wikipedia Edit-a-thon
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How to Wiki

All Wikipedia articles should be written from a neutral point of view. Wikipedia is not a soapbox or means of promotion.

- There are also specific requirements for biographies of living persons.

All material presented in an article must be verifiable using citations of independent, reliable sources.

- Articles must not contain 'original research' i.e. facts, allegations, and ideas for which no reliable, published sources exist

A subject must meet Wikipedia's notability requirements to warrant a stand-alone article.

- There is a specific policy about notability as it pertains to academics.

Getting started

- Where possible, it's easiest for beginners to work in the VisualEditor as opposed to the source editor.

- You can always draft new pages or test edits in your User Sandbox.

- Here are some tips for writing your first article.

- If you decide to use the source editor, here is a list of the Wiki markups you will need to use.

What does that button do?

Take a look at this annotated Wikipedia page.

Need a refresher or more info?
Here's a step-by-step tutorial on Wikipedia editing.

“"The more you read about these sensational women, the more you get so motivated and inspired by their personal stories.” ~ Jess Wade

Hit that edit button!

Below are some editing tips and tools you can use:

- Use the pencil button to switch between the source editor and the visual editor

- With your cursor in position, hit Cite to add your references using the URL or ISBN of your source.

- Add hyperlinks to existing Wikipedia pages for connectivity.

- Preview your changes before publishing and remember to write an informative edit summary of what you changed and why.

- Check your Wiki notifications to follow discussions. Sign your posts with your Wiki signature (using the shortcut: ~~~~) and keep editing!