

First Steps for Wikipedia Assignment

Instructor's user page: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/User:MTHarden>

Find the assignment link for more details on the Wikipedia Assignment

Establishing your user account

For a video explaining the instructions see

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:WP_tutorial_en_New_user_account.ogg

1. Go to <http://en.wikipedia.org>
2. Click Log in/create account, located at the top right side of the
3. page.
4. Choose your Username. (Remember everyone will see this)
5. Select your Password. (Keep it secret, keep it safe)
6. Click Create account.

Create you user page

http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/e/ee/How_to_create_a_userpage.pdf

Once logged in, locate your username in the upper right corner of your screen. It will appear between a link to “New features” and “My talk,” and will have a person icon beside it.

Click on your red username. You’ll be redirected to a page titled “User:YourUsernameHere.” On this new page, click the link that says “Start the User:YourUsernameHere page” in the first bullet in the top box.

A new page will open, called “Editing User:YourUsernameHere.” Beneath the title you’ll see a blank white space – this is the Wikipedia text editor. Go ahead and type something in the editor.

Scroll down on the same page. In the box labeled “Edit Summary,” type “creating user page.” To save your changes, click the “Save page” button.

Add the following code to you user page. First click edit.

Once in the edit screen type the following code:

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{{userboxtop}}
{{Wikipedia:WikiProject Psychology/Userbox}}
{{userboxbottom}}
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These templates display a user box in a box. Before clicking save, click preview and make sure it looks like the image to the right. Then in the edit summary write “Added userbox.”

Understanding Wikipedia

In the search bar, search the following terms and read the identified sections of Wikipedia Policy pages

- WP:NPOV – read the lead and section 1 titled “Explanation of the point of view”
- WP:NOR – read the lead
- WP:V – read the lead and sections 3.1 and 3.2 titled “Reliable sources” and “Newspaper and magazine blogs”

If you have any question go to the course page (search WP: USPP/C/PECTS) and click on the “Discussion” tab and add a section using two equals signs on either side of the title ==EXAMPLE==. Type your question and sign the statement with 4 tildes, ~~~~.

Lastly, go to the student section of the course assignment page and sign your username with `#{{user|EXAMPLE}}` where example is your user name.