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# Collaboration and Innovation: NNLM's Nationwide Online Wikipedia Edit-a-Thon Program

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# NATIONAL NETWORK OF LIBRARIES OF MEDICINE (NNLM.GOV)



Eight Health Sciences Libraries each function as the Regional Medical Library (RML) for their respective region.

The RMLs coordinate the operation of a Network of Libraries and other organizations to carry out regional and national programs.

NNLM offers: funding, training, community outreach, partnerships to increase health awareness and access to NLM resources.

# EDIT-A-THONS

Generally:

- In-person
- Focus on a topic area
- Include an opening talk
- Include instruction on and support for editing
- Participants are provided with suggestions of pages to edit

But what if they need to be national in scope?



**Ann Glusker** @AGlusker · Mar 5

Every edit improves Wikipedia as an evidence-based resource! @UCBerkeleyLib  
#ArtAndFeminism #NowEditingAF #BerkeleyEdits



# #CITENLM2018 EDIT-A-THONS

NLM is actively engaged in reaching a major strategic goal to “reach more people in more ways through enhanced dissemination and engagement pathways.” The NNLM is the outreach arm of the NLM, charged with

- Improving the use of NLM resources
- Engaging NNLM members
- Utilizing librarian research skills

What better way to do this than to collaborate to:

- Make Wikipedia a better, evidence-based resource!
- (Librarians haven’t always been on board with Wikipedia as a resource)

# ROUND 1: FIRST EDIT-A-THON

A row of white books is shown on a white shelf. The books are arranged from left to right, with their spines facing the viewer. The spines of the books are labeled with the text 'Wikipedia Contributor Appendix' and the numbers 34, 35, and 36. The cover of the book on the right is labeled 'Wikipedia'.

- Formed the project planning group
- Talked to the Wikipedia medical community about their needs ([WikiProject: Medicine](#))
- The choice of topic: rare diseases
- NLM tools - Genetics Home Reference, MedlinePlus, PubMed, and NIH's Genetic and Rare Diseases Information Center (GARD)

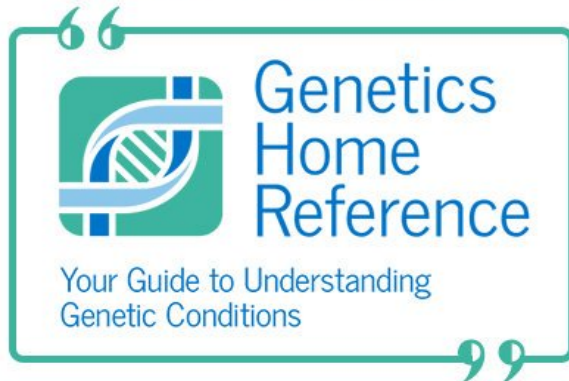


# PROMOTIONAL STRATEGIES

For trusted consumer health information,  
help NNLM cite Genetics Home Reference

## NNLM Edit-a-thon

April 17 from 9am-9pm ET



#CiteNLM2018



For trusted consumer health information,  
help NNLM cite PubMed

## NNLM Edit-a-thon

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Enable the world to find trusted consumer health  
information by helping NNLM cite MedlinePlus

## NNLM Edit-a-thon

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[#CiteNLM2018](https://twitter.com/CiteNLM2018)

# TRAINING OVERVIEW

- 1 hour training for network members with Dr. James Heilman, a physician and active WikiProject editor
- Training organized March 19, held March 29
- 67 attended, recording viewed 127 times

**Wikipedia and Medicine**

James Heilman  
MD, CCFP(EM), Wikipedian  
Mar. 28th, 2018

NNLM Wikipedia Edit-a-thon Training, March 29, 2018

127 views 5 likes 0 comments

National Network of Libraries of Medicine [NNLM]  
Published on Apr 11, 2018

SUBSCRIBE 598

[URL](#) for recording



# PROJECT PAGE AND DASHBOARD

URL for project pages

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:WikiProject\\_Medicine/National\\_Network\\_of\\_Libraries\\_of\\_Medicine](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:WikiProject_Medicine/National_Network_of_Libraries_of_Medicine)

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:WikiProject\\_Medicine/National\\_Network\\_of\\_Libraries\\_of\\_Medicine/Past\\_Editathons](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:WikiProject_Medicine/National_Network_of_Libraries_of_Medicine/Past_Editathons)

Content includes:

Link to WikiProject Medicine's Doc James training

Event information

WebEx details and schedule

Citation editing basics

Resources (including a section for teachers)

Information about the dashboard

Links to previous NNLM/health-related Wikipedia events

URL for dashboard

[https://outreachdashboard.wmflabs.org/courses/National\\_Network\\_of\\_Libraries\\_of\\_Medicine/NNLM\\_Edit-a-thon\\_Spring\\_2018/home](https://outreachdashboard.wmflabs.org/courses/National_Network_of_Libraries_of_Medicine/NNLM_Edit-a-thon_Spring_2018/home)

Content includes:

Edit-a-thon statistics (automatically updated)

General information

In the weeks before the event, a timeline with tasks

Event details

Much more information in tabs, showing edit histories

# PROJECT PAGE

## Wikipedia:WikiProject Medicine/National Network of Libraries of Medicine

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia  
< [Wikipedia:WikiProject Medicine](#)

**NEW TO WIKIPEDIA?** - In preparation for the edit-a-thon, we had a free webinar from 2:00-3:00pm EST with Dr. James Heilman ([Doc James](#)) as he discussed and gave a demonstration on how to edit Wikipedia. You can [find the recording here](#).

[#citeNLM2018 Edit-a-thon](#) [ edit ]

### Event Details [ edit ]

#### What?

To improve consumer health information on Wikipedia by adding or updating citations using [United States National Library of Medicine](#) resources.

#### When?

Tuesday, April 17th, 2018  
9:00am – 9:00pm EST

#### Who?

NNLM Network Members and Wikipedians  
No advanced technical skills required. Log in to Webex using the information below. In addition to periodic announcements and presentations, someone will be available to answer questions in the chat. Check out the schedule below to see the volunteer shifts.

[How to Participate/Webex Login](#) [ edit ]

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  - [3.5 National Library of Medicine Resources](#)
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  - [4.1 Overview](#)
  - [4.2 Using the Dashboard](#)

# ON THE DAY

- WebEx room staffed from 9 AM until 9PM EDT (6 PM PDT, 5 PM AKDT, 4 PM HDT)
- Support and information available from NNLM coordinators
- 2 hour shifts, handled by different NNLM regions
- Each started with pre-recorded welcome video from NNCO, and overview
- Live editing with narration, and online chat with participants
- Final slot featured OCLC Wikipedian-in-Residence Monika Sengul-Jones
- Hashtag helped with collecting information about edits, and social media activity

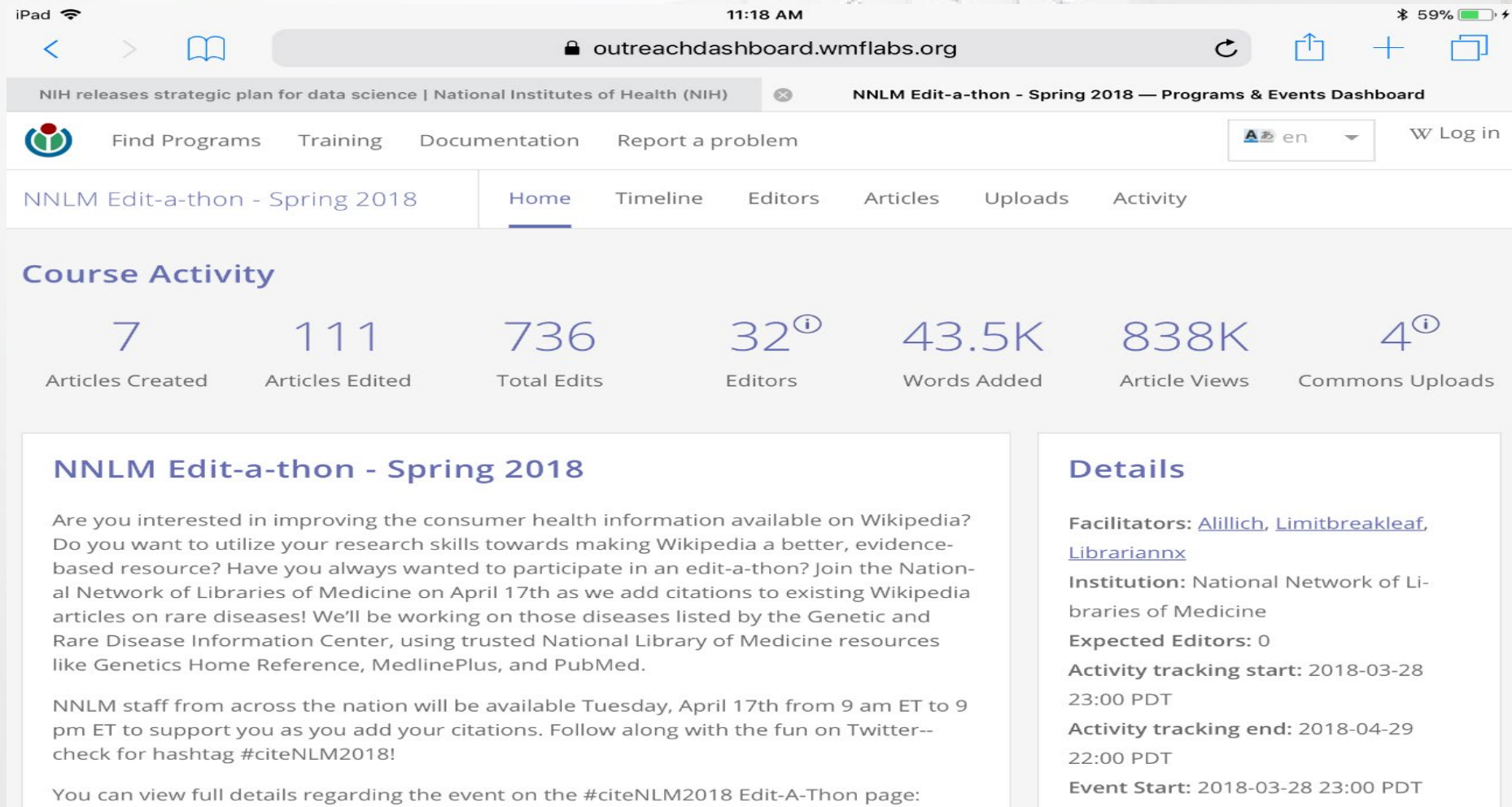
## Schedule

All times in EST (UTC-05:00)

Time	In-chat help	Speakers
9:00-9:30am	<b>Kickoff &amp; Demo</b>	TBD
9:30-11:30am	NNLM Staff	NER
11:30-12:00pm	<b>NLM Resources</b>	TBD
12:00-2:30pm	NNLM Staff	MAR
2:30-3:00pm	<b>Tips &amp; Tricks / Live Q&amp;A</b>	TBD
3:00-5:00pm	NNLM Staff	TBD
5:00-7:00pm	NNLM Staff	SCR
7:00-8:45pm	NNLM Staff	PNR
8:45-9:00pm	<b>Closing remarks</b>	PNR

As of March 23, 2018

# DASHBOARD RESULTS



# EVALUATION/LESSONS LEARNED



- It can be difficult to capture/measure impact for edit-a-thons; think through goals and evaluation as part of planning
- Statistics from the dashboard (only registrants—how to capture non-registrants?)
- Asked editors to put #citenlm2018 in edit summary
- Twitter feed showed some user engagement
- Fewer than expected joined WebEx sessions
- Participants mainly from library community, reflecting marketing
- Helpful to have two hosts at a time
- Importance of hands-on experience of editing for ongoing Wikipedia involvement

# ROUND 2: SECOND EDIT-A-THON

Topic:  
Women's Health

Date:  
November 7, 2018

**#citeNLM2018**

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- James Gunn**  
James Gunn reinstated as Guardians of the Galaxy 3 director, Deadline reports

elaina vitale liked

**carolynthelib** @carolynthelib · 7 Nov 2018  
while more of the day was busy with other life things, I'm glad I got a chance to contribute at least some information as part of **#citeNLM2018** and improving information about women's health, particularly around gestational diabetes

**Melissa Kahili** @melissmatics · 7 Nov 2018  
I got called me a Wikipedian 🥰 **#citeNLM2018**

**Jerry Kauppila** @JerKinLA · 7 Nov 2018  
I updated Atrophic Vaginitis in the **#citeNLM2018** **#wikieditathon** for **#WomensHealth**

**Kathryn Vela** @KathrynVela31 · 7 Nov 2018  
Newly minted cervicitis expert here! **#citeNLM2018**  
[en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cervicitis](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cervicitis)

**ECRI Institute** @ECRI\_Institute · 7 Nov 2018  
We are excited to participate in **#citeNLM2018** – a subject close to our medical librarians' hearts. We are contributing our time to verify and update women's health-related references on **#Wikipedia** to assist people in finding evidence-based information.



# BETTER AND MORE TRAINING!

- 3 sessions, each hosted by two NLM staff:
  - The world of Wikipedia, why to edit it, and overview
  - Create an account, start editing
  - NLM resources for use in improving articles
- 30 minutes each
- Started early! (the month before)
- Recordings posted and available

[https://nmlm.gov/class/wiki\\_training](https://nmlm.gov/class/wiki_training)

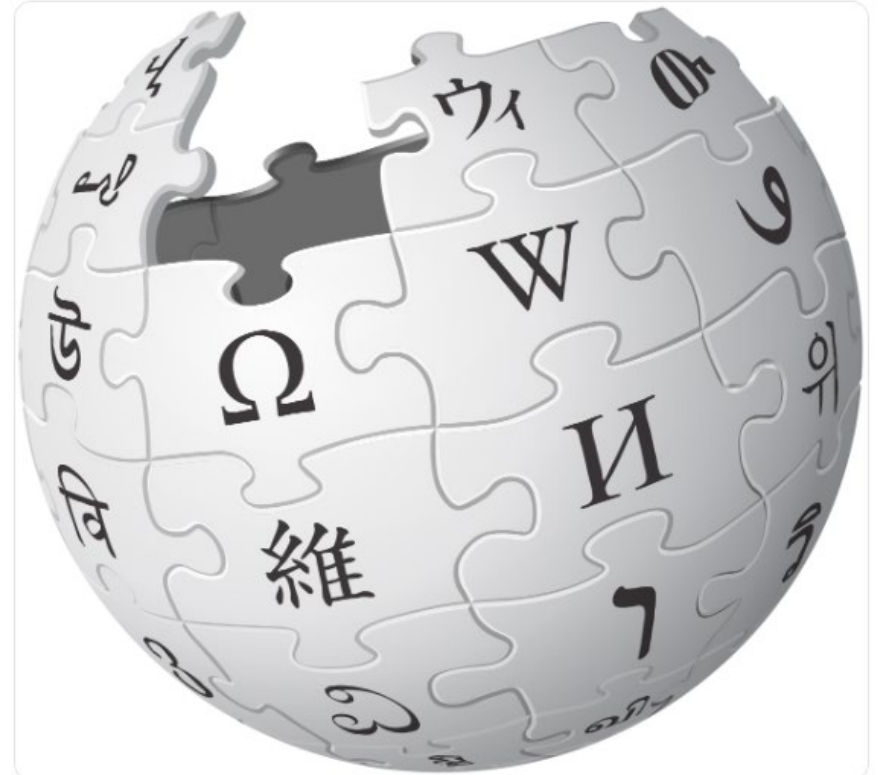
[https://twitter.com/nlm\\_news/status/1047562302004838406](https://twitter.com/nlm_news/status/1047562302004838406)



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@nlm\_news

Following

NNLM Wikipedia fall Edit-a-thon call for volunteers! Help make Wikipedia a better, more evidence-based resource. Participate in a series of webinars to help you get ready for #citeNLM2018 on 11/7/18 [bit.ly/2OiweHY](https://bit.ly/2OiweHY)



12:01 PM - 3 Oct 2018

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# TOMORROW/NOVEMBER 7! Wikipedia Edit-a-Thon on Women's Health- Join Us!

Posted by Ann G  
NNLM News From  
Tags: Edit-a-thon

In case you haven't heard, the NLM is happening tomorrow! We really hope you'll be there. (If you want to tweet, the hashtag is #citeNLM2018)

As an extra inducement, during the event...

## What do you get when the world's largest medical library and the world's largest encyclopedia meet up?

Posted by NLM in Focus / August 13, 2018

We think the result is even better than happily ever after.

Because now more people than ever before have more access to credible, evidence-based information on rare diseases.

The anticipation had been building for weeks when medical librarians from all over the country joined forces through NLM's National Network of Libraries of Medicine for an all-day #CiteNLM2018 Wikipedia edit-a-thon on April 17.

The event was so successful that rumors have been circulating that these collaborations will...



### UCLA Science Libraries @UCLASciLibs · 1 Nov 2018

Join us on Wed, Nov 7, for the #citeNLM2018 Wikipedia Edit-a-thon on Women's Health! Learn how to improve the public's access to evidence-based, reliable women's health info. For more info see [library.ucla.edu/news](http://library.ucla.edu/news)

**#citeNLM 2018 edit-a-thon**

**When:**  
November 7th, 2018  
12:30 pm - 2:30 pm

**Where:**  
Classroom in Biomedical Library

**Why:**  
Improve Women's Health Articles on Wikipedia!

**RSVP:**  
<http://bit.ly/citenlmrsvp>

# BETTER AND MORE PROMOTION!

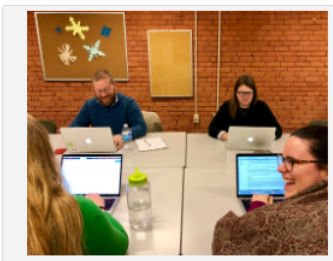
HSLS Health Sciences Library System

## HSLS UPDATE

- Previous Issues
- March 2019
  - February 2019
  - January 2019
  - 2018
  - 2017
  - 2016
  - 2015
  - 2014
  - 2013
  - Archives

### National Network of Libraries of Medicine Sponsors Virtual Wikipedia Edit-a-thon

Did you know that people consult Wikipedia more often than trusted National Institutes of Health and National Library of Medicine resources to look for health information? Studies even suggest that our healthcare providers and students in health professions turn to Wikipedia for much of their health research. Recognizing this, a group of National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NNLM) coordinators recently organized a virtual Wikipedia Edit-a-thon to improve the quality and accuracy of health-related information on Wikipedia.



McGill University librarians participating in the NNLM Wikipedia Edit-a-thon

<https://infocus.nlm.nih.gov/2018/09/26/improving-info-on-womens-health-national-network-of-medical-librarians-wants-your-help/>

<https://infocus.nlm.nih.gov/2018/08/13/what-do-you-get-when-the-worlds-largest-medical-library-and-the-worlds-largest-encyclopedia-meet-up/>

<http://info.hsls.pitt.edu/updatereport/?p=10994>

<https://news.nlm.gov/pnr/tomorrow-november-7-wikipedia-edit-a-thon-on-womens-health-join-us/>

# BROADER TOPIC OFFERS MORE SCOPE !

Result	Article	Importance	Quality	Review Release	Score	
1	<a href="#">Cervical cancer staging (t · h · l)</a>	Top	2015-08-04 (t)	Stub	2015-08-04 (t)	500
2	<a href="#">Live birth (human) (t · h · l)</a>	Top	2015-08-09 (t)	Stub	2015-08-09 (t)	500

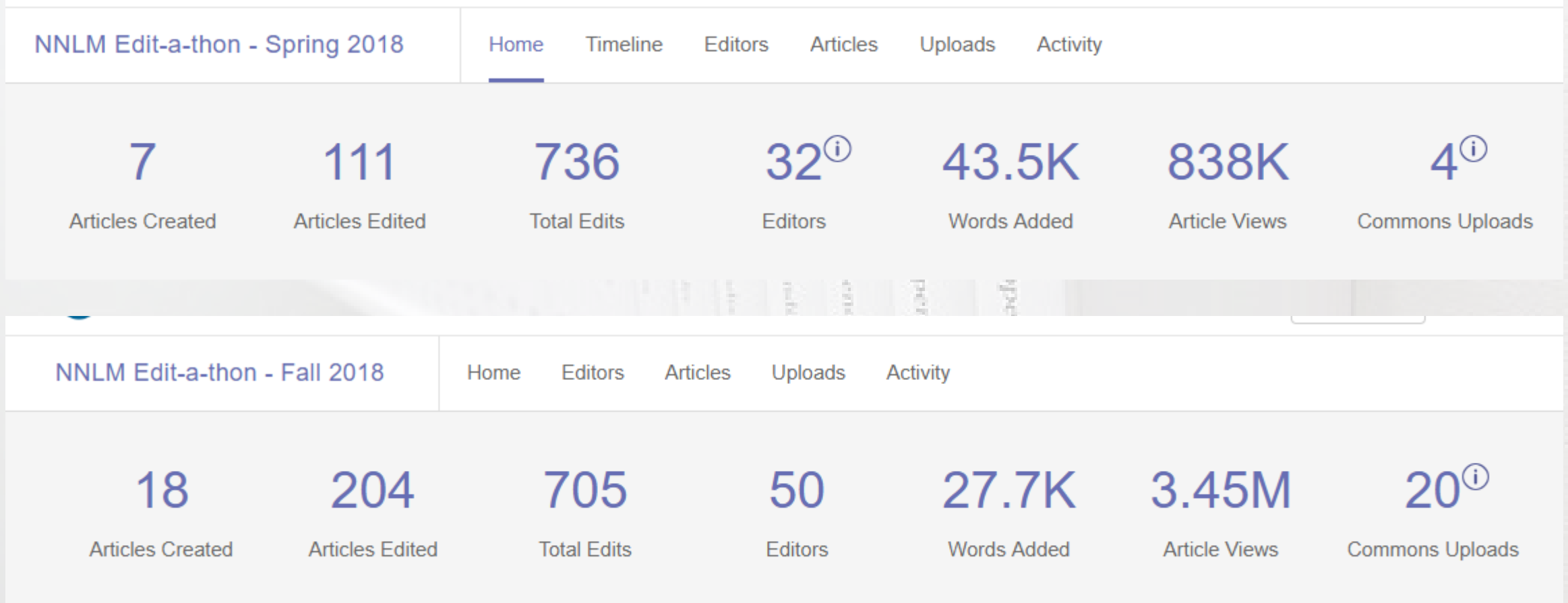
Quality	Importance						Total
	Top	High	Mid	Low	NA	???	
★ FA	3	1	1				5
⊕ GA	5	5	4	5			19
B	31	38	49	26		18	162
C	20	36	97	81		124	358
Start	15	56	103	205	4	273	656
Stub	2	7	32	149	5	199	394
List	5	2	5	13		1	26
Category					111		111
Disambig				1	1		2
Portal					1		1
Project					9		9
Template					105		105
NA			1	2	16	1	20
Other				1			1
Assessed	81	145	292	483	252	616	1,869
Unassessed			1			179	180
Total	81	145	293	483	252	795	2,049

[From the project page]

## “Finding a Women's Health Topic

With so many woman's health-related topics, how do you choose? Wikipedia has a quality scale. C-class, Start-class, and Stub-class articles will probably be the easiest to revise. You can find descriptions of [all the different classes here](#). [Here] is a tabulation of all the articles by quality and importance. It may be helpful in finding a topic to edit.”

# DASHBOARD COMPARISON:



# WHAT NEXT? ENTER STACY BRODY!

- NLM Associate Fellow 2018-2019 (1 year residential educational and leadership experience)
- Asked to help us regroup and take the program to the next level
- Assessed from multiple perspectives—30,000 feet as well as on the ground!

[Preliminary Planning](#)

[Partnering and Marketing](#)

[Training](#)

[Executing](#)

[Thanking and Analyzing](#)



# THOUGHTFUL, ANALYTICAL, ORGANIZED APPROACH

**Wikipedia Edit-a-Thon**

Company Name  
Project Lead

Project Start: Mon, 1/7/2019

Display Week: 1

SIMPLE GANTT CHART by Vertex42.com  
<https://www.vertex42.com/ExcelTemplates/simple-gantt-chart.html>

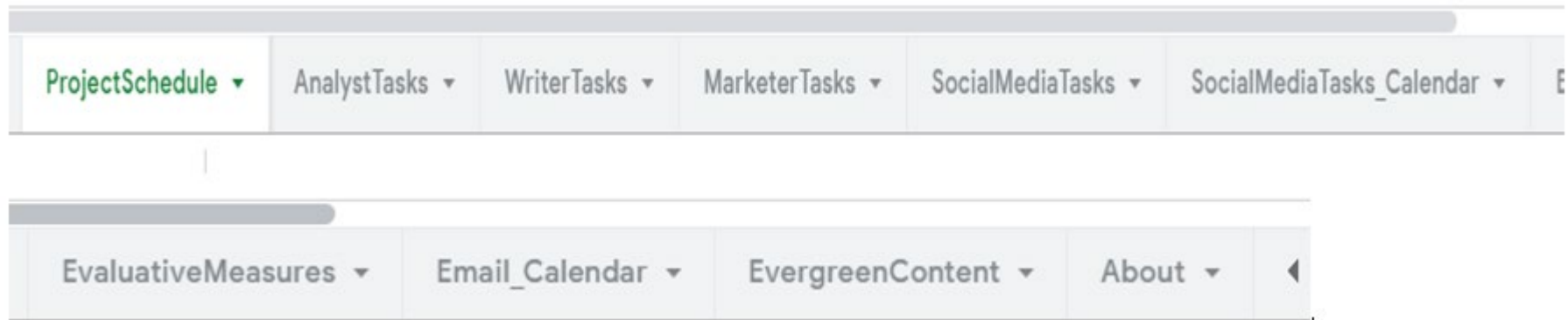
TASK	ASSIGNED TO	PROGRESS	START	END	M	T	W	T	F	S
<b>Preliminary Planning</b>										
Determine date of edit-a-thon	Team	0%	1							
Advertise resource selection Twitter chat for upcoming edit-a-thon	Marketer	0%	1							
Host Twitter Chat for resource selection	SocialMedia	0%	2							
Analyze Twitter chat and select top resource	Analyst	0%	2							
Update Wiki page with date and NLM resource to be highlighted	Wikipedian	0%	1							
Review and update abstract information in the Conference Harvester. This update	Conference	0%	1							
Submit AV and setup needs for immersion session to MLA	Conference	0%	2							
<b>Partnering and Marketing</b>										
Email organizations, Wikipedians, Wiki chapters, and others	Marketer	0%	1							
Email professional and educational listservs	Marketer	0%	3							

TASK	ASSIGNED TO	PROGRESS	START	END	M	T	W	T	F	S
<b>Training</b>										
Gather topic-specific resources from team members, partners, and social	Trainer	0%	2/10/19	3/27/19						
Create a scaffolded training model using existing content	Trainer	0%	3/8/19	4/22/19						
Create or curate training specific to the highlighted resource	Trainer	0%	3/28/19	4/11/19						
Add relevant resources and links to Wiki Project Page	Wikipedian	0%	2/10/19	4/22/19						
Monitor talk page and edits to wiki page	Wikipedian								4/27/19	5/4/19
<b>Executing</b>										
Upload slides, handouts to Conference Harvester	Conference									
Host pre-event meeting: assign Twitter monitoring duties	Team									
Practice technical implementation	Team									
Host event	Team									
Create Google Map of participants	Team									
<b>Thanking and Analyzing</b>										
Host a debrief conference call	Team								5/4/19	5/11/19
Award barn stars on Wikipedia	Wikipedian								5/4/19	5/11/19
Thank participants on Twitter	SocialMedia								5/4/19	5/11/19
Write blog posts summarizing impact of event	Writer								5/5/19	5/12/19
Create Twitter Moment of event	SocialMedia								5/5/19	5/12/19
Share region-specific results/outcomes to Google Drive	Team								5/5/19	5/9/19
Evaluate edit-a-thon	Analyst								5/5/19	5/9/19



# ROAD MAPS MAKE IT EASY TO PLAN

Spreadsheet tabs: Useful lists of tasks, nothing got missed, many ideas generated



# ORGANIZATIONAL TOOLS

While our team initially saw the Gantt charts as most effective, Stacy also created a Trello board as an additional option

Other teams may use Basecamp, Evernote, Google Drives, and other tools— whatever works, as long as there's buy-in and consistency

The screenshot displays a Trello board for 'Preliminary Planning' with a public visibility setting and 13 members. The board is organized into five columns: 'To Do', 'Doing', 'Done', 'Input Needed', and 'Parking Lot'. Each card includes a title, description, due date, and member avatars.

- To Do:**
  - Update Wiki page with date, topic. Create colored event box and add tabs. (Due: Mar 11)
  - Submit AV and other setup needs for MLA immersion session. (Due: Feb 8)
  - Enter the names of all NNLM staff from each region attending MLA. (Due: Feb 8)
- Doing:** (Empty)
- Done:**
  - Determine date of edit-a-thon; will be May 6, 2019--MLA Immersion Session is 2-3:30 PM CT. (Completed: Jan 17)
- Input Needed:** (Empty)
- Parking Lot:**
  - Hold Twitter chat for topic selection. (Due: Feb 28)
  - Analyze Twitter chat and select top results. (Due: Feb 28)
  - Advertise topic selection Twitter chat for upcoming edit-a-thon. (Due: Feb 28)

# BUILDING INTEREST

Presentations and posters for NISO, NFAIS, regional medical library conferences, and coming in May, a poster at the national Medical Library Association conference

Poster by Aimee Gogan, promoting Round 2

## Collaboration & Innovation: NNLM's Nationwide Online Wikipedia Edit-a-Thon

Aimee Gogan, MLIS, AHP – Data & Evaluation Coordinator  
National Network of Libraries of Medicine, Southeastern Atlantic Region

### Background:

There is a growing trend in libraries of engaging their communities with information and open data by holding Wikipedia edit-a-thons. During these events, participants learn about the culture and norms of this widely used online resource through hands-on editing of articles, including improving citations and adding new facts. The purpose of this poster is to report on the National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NNLM) health-focused online edit-a-thon, which took place on April 17, 2018. The event utilized librarians' research skills to make Wikipedia a better and more evidence-based resource by using National Library of Medicine (NLM) databases to edit content and citations.

### Project Objectives:

- Improve the use of NLM resources
- Engage NNLM members
- Utilize librarian research skills
- Make Wikipedia a better evidence-based resource

### Lessons Learned:

Only participants who registered on the NNLM dashboard were captured in the dashboard statistics. Fewer people than expected joined the WebEx sessions (1-2 non NNLM staff member per session) and participants were mainly from the library community. The twitter feed showed some user engagement, but the majority was from NNLM staff. The hands-on experience of editing encouraged participants to continue to be involved in editing Wikipedia. Having two hosts at a time in the WebEx room was determined to be helpful, as it facilitated smooth demonstration and narration and also increased participant engagement.

### Methods:

#### First

Formed a cross-regional planning group of NNLM librarians: Karen Coghlan (NER), Aimee Gogan (SEA), Ann Glusker (PNR), Erin Latta (NDCO), Brian Leaf (SCR), Franda Liu (NNCO), Alicia Lulich (MCR), Mary Piorun (NER), Elaine Vitale (MAR)

#### Second

Talked to the Wikipedia medical community about their needs and chose to focus on rare diseases. Highlighted NLM resources including Genetics Home Reference, MedlinePlus, PubMed, and NIH's Genetic and Rare Diseases Information Center (GARD)

#### Third

Promoted the Edit-a-thon. Promotion was very important to this event, since so much of NNLM's outreach, including this Edit-a-thon, happens remotely. The coordinators created promotional images, messaging, and decided on the hashtag #citeNLM2018. Existing communication strategies, including newsletters, blog posts, and social media, were utilized.

#### Fourth

Published a Wikipedia page about the project with training details, event information, additional reading, and project examples. Created a dashboard with live statistics, a timeline, event details, tutorials, and a place to view individual edit histories.

#### Fifth

Hosted a 1-hour webinar training session with Dr. James Helimon, physician and active WikiProject editor. 67 people attended the training and the recording was viewed 169 times.

#### Last


Day-of results according to statistics from the NNLM dashboard:

- 32 editors edited articles
- 7 articles were created
- 111 articles were edited
- 736 total edits were made
- 43,500 words were added

### Future Plans:

- Are you interested in improving the consumer health information available on Wikipedia? Do you want to utilize your research skills towards making Wikipedia a better, evidence-based resource? Have you always wanted to participate in an edit-a-thon?
- Join the National Network of Libraries of Medicine on November 7th as we add citations to existing Wikipedia articles on women's health!
- Focus on women's health resources including MedlinePlus Women's Health, LactMed, ToxTown Reproductive Health, CDC Women's Health initiatives, and many more!
- Three training sessions leading up to the Fall Edit-a-thon (all recorded for later viewing)

10/3: Introduction to the NNLM Edit-a-thon & WikiProject Medicine  
10/17: Editing Wikipedia Articles  
10/31: Women's Health Resources



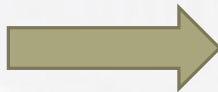
# WIKIDATA

<https://news.nlm.gov/pnr/data-flash-wikidata-rdm-and-librarians/>

And

<https://nmlm.gov/class/wikidata>

(recording!)



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## Data Flash: Wikidata, RDM and Librarians

**Posted by** [Ann Glusker](#) on [November 26th, 2018](#) **Posted in:** [Data Science](#), [News from NNLM](#), [News From NNLM PNR](#), [Technology](#), [Training & Education](#)

**Tags:** [metadata](#), [research data management](#), [wikicite](#), [wikidata](#)

You've heard of Wikipedia, but are you familiar with [Wikidata](#)? What about [WikiCite](#)?

If you are interested to hear more, join us as we host Wikidata expert and librarian Katie Mika, from the University of Colorado Boulder! In this hour-long webinar, she will "introduce the WikiCite initiative (to build a database of open citations to support free and computational access to bibliographic metadata) and will identify simple, high impact ways for librarians to get involved. As experts in the intersection of bibliographic metadata, information discovery, and interdisciplinary research, librarians are a tremendous resource for this community."

[Register for the session](#) (which will be recorded, and a link sent out to registrants). You might also want to check out the link on that page to the NNLM's [Research Data Management Webinar Series](#), with several recorded sessions already available.

Please send any questions to Ann Glusker, email: [glusker \(AT\) uw.edu](mailto:glusker@uw.edu). We look forward to learning along with you on Dec. 7!

P.S. If you want some fascinating extra reading before the webinar, check out this article by Katie Mika, "[Wikidata and BHL](#)" [Biodiversity Heritage Library]



# ROUND 3: THIRD EDIT-A-THON

Third NNLM edit-a-thon will be held at the Medical Library Association's 2019 conference in May in Chicago; online participation will be supported and encouraged! The topic is **ELEVATING HEALTH EQUITY**

#citeNLM Spring Edit-a-thon 2019 [\[ edit \]](#)

## Event Details [\[ edit \]](#)

### What?

#CiteNLM Elevating Health Equity Wikipedia Edit-a-Thon

### Why?

To promote the improvement of consumer health information on Wikipedia by adding or updating citations using [United States National Library of Medicine](#) resources.

### When?

Monday May 6, 2019

### Where?

Events will be held at the Medical Library Association Annual Conference in Chicago, IL. Additionally, everyone is welcome to host an event at their institution or edit on their own.

### Who?

NNLM Network Members and Wikipedians

Stay tuned for additional details!

# OTHER FUTURE PLANS

A row of white books is shown on a white shelf. The books are slightly out of focus, with the word 'Wikipedia' visible on the spines and covers. The books are arranged in a line, receding into the background.

- Enhance promotion via Twitter, Facebook, Network communication
- Join and be active in Wikipedia communities
- Involve NIH Institutes
- Collaborate with health care practitioners (one idea: video testimonials of physicians who treat people with rare diseases and impact on patients on having information)
- Idea—encourage editors to use and promote open access resources
- Suggestions welcome!



# MISCELLANEOUS RESOURCES!

[WebJunction course](#)

## Wikipedia + Libraries: Better Together

Overview

Build Community

Extend Librarianship

Amplify Stories

Teach Literacies

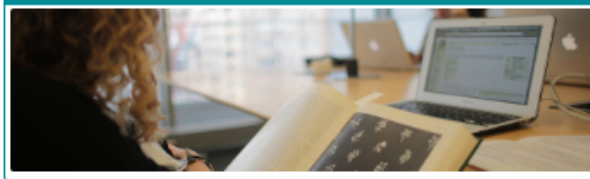
Libraries and Wikipedia share a common purpose: to provide free public access to knowledge and resources. Wikipedia + Libraries: Better Together was an 18-month OCLC project to strengthen the ties between US public libraries and English Wikipedia. The project ended in May 2018 and the connections, learning materials, stories, and outcomes are still unfolding. Library staff are leveraging Wikipedia to better serve their communities.

Learn from the pathways that library staff have taken with Wikipedia and how you can get involved, too.

### Build Community



### Extend Librarianship



### Amplify Stories



### Teach Literacies



### Training curriculum

Access the full training curriculum to learn how to confidently use, edit, and teach Wikipedia at your library.

[Training Curriculum](#)

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Learn about the Wikipedia + Libraries: Better Together project's history and activities.

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RECENT ACTIVITY

 **Laurie Bridges** shared a link.  
3 hrs

Short lightning talk I'll be giving at Wikipedia + Education conference next month. I hope to see some librarians there!

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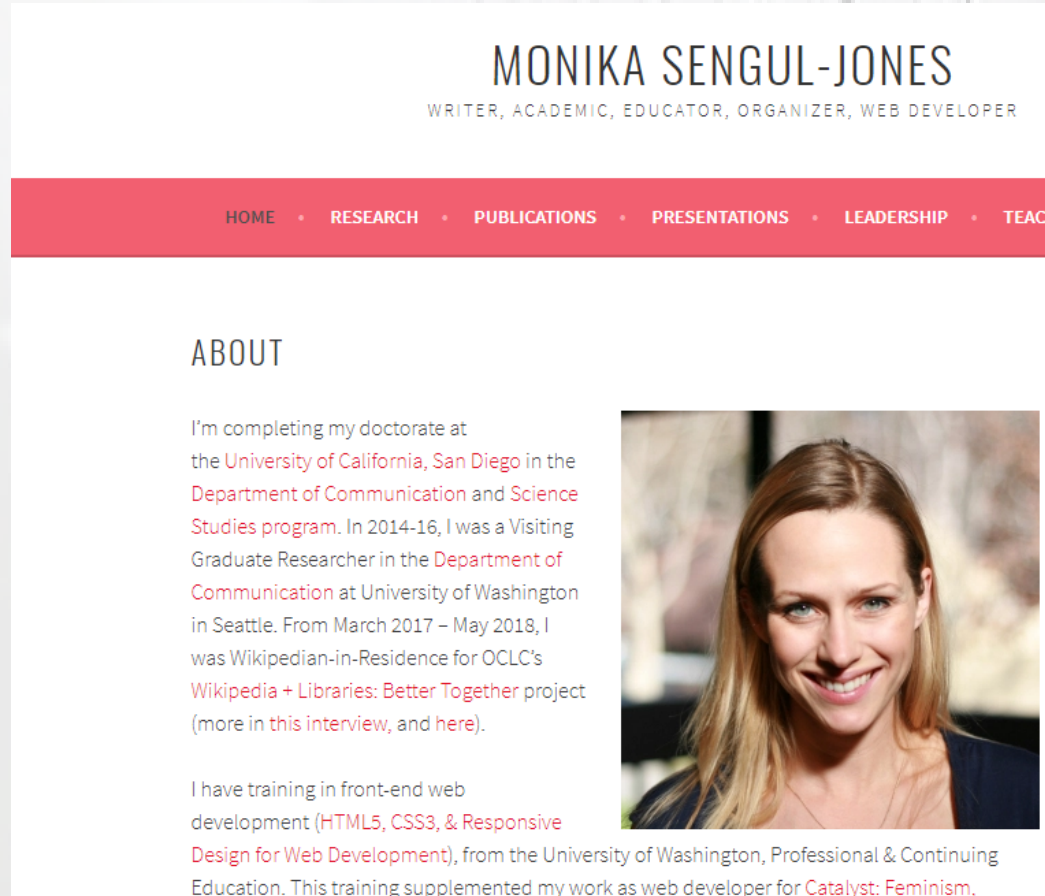
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every single human  
being can freely share in  
the sum of all  
knowledge.**



# TWO AMAZING NORTHWEST WIKIPEDIANS

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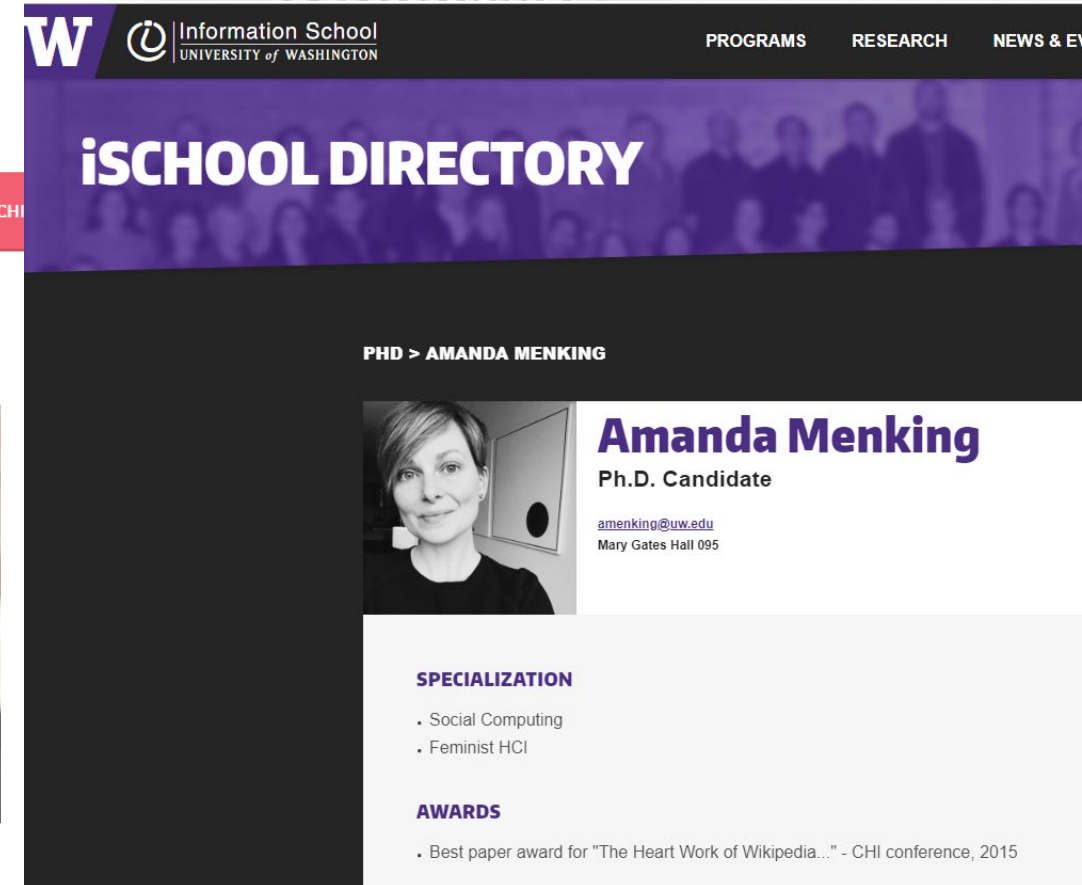

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I have training in front-end web development ([HTML5](#), [CSS3](#), & [Responsive Design for Web Development](#)), from the University of Washington, Professional & Continuing Education. This training supplemented my work as web developer for [Catalyst: Feminism](#),




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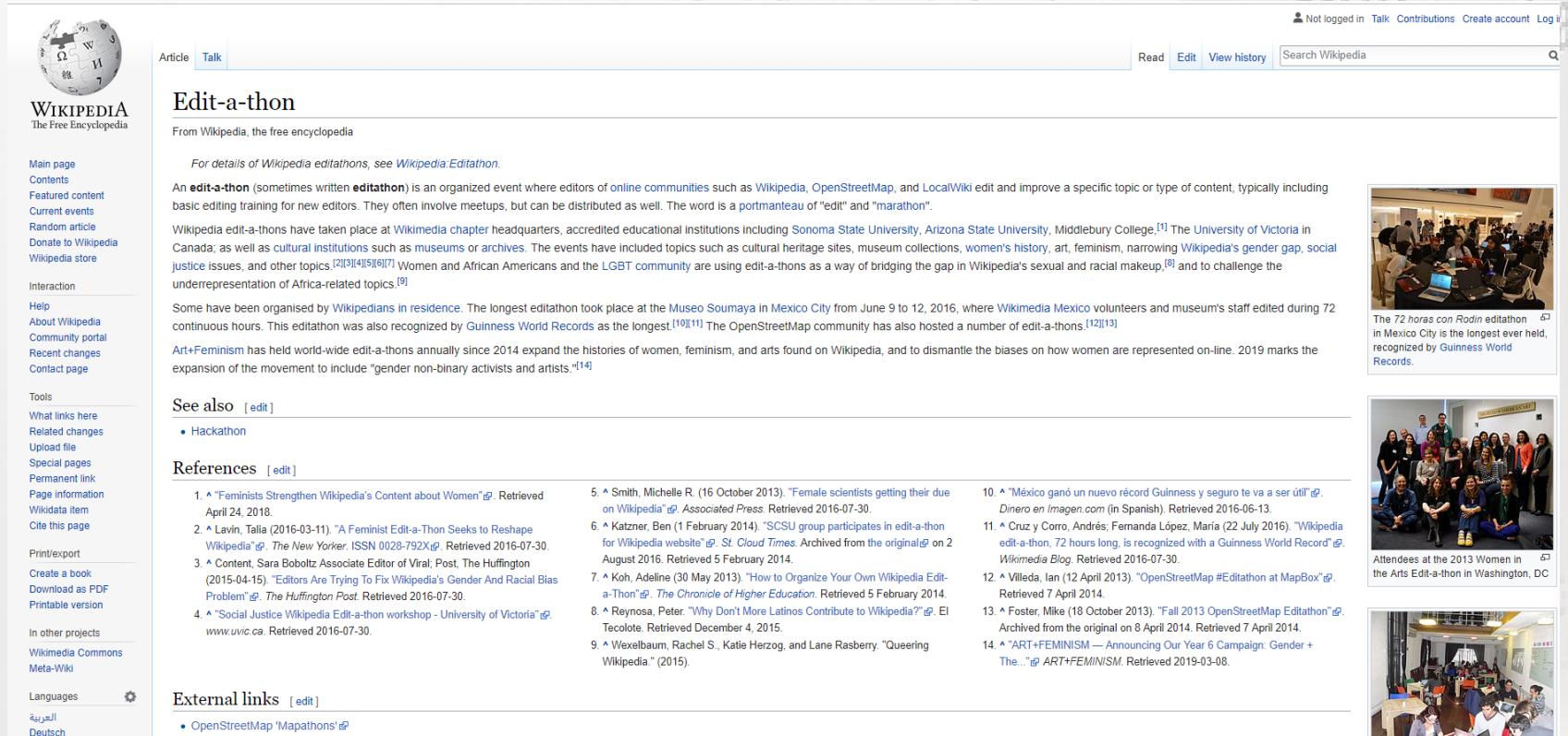
### SPECIALIZATION

- Social Computing
- Feminist HCI

### AWARDS

- Best paper award for "The Heart Work of Wikipedia..." - CHI conference, 2015

# QUESTIONS?



The image shows a shelf of encyclopedias with the Wikipedia article 'Edit-a-thon' displayed on the surface. The article content is as follows:

**Article** Talk

**Edit-a-thon**  
From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

*For details of Wikipedia editathons, see Wikipedia Editathon.*

An **edit-a-thon** (sometimes written **editathon**) is an organized event where editors of online communities such as Wikipedia, OpenStreetMap, and LocalWiki edit and improve a specific topic or type of content, typically including basic editing training for new editors. They often involve meetups, but can be distributed as well. The word is a portmanteau of "edit" and "marathon".

Wikipedia edit-a-thons have taken place at Wikimedia chapter headquarters, accredited educational institutions including Sonoma State University, Arizona State University, Middlebury College,<sup>[1]</sup> The University of Victoria in Canada; as well as cultural institutions such as museums or archives. The events have included topics such as cultural heritage sites, museum collections, women's history, art, feminism, narrowing Wikipedia's gender gap, social justice issues, and other topics.<sup>[2][3][4][5][6][7]</sup> Women and African Americans and the LGBT community are using edit-a-thons as a way of bridging the gap in Wikipedia's sexual and racial makeup,<sup>[8]</sup> and to challenge the underrepresentation of Africa-related topics.<sup>[9]</sup>

Some have been organised by Wikipedians in residence. The longest editathon took place at the Museo Soumaya in Mexico City from June 9 to 12, 2016, where Wikimedia Mexico volunteers and museum's staff edited during 72 continuous hours. This editathon was also recognized by Guinness World Records as the longest.<sup>[10][11]</sup> The OpenStreetMap community has also hosted a number of edit-a-thons.<sup>[12][13]</sup>

Art+Feminism has held world-wide edit-a-thons annually since 2014 expand the histories of women, feminism, and arts found on Wikipedia, and to dismantle the biases on how women are represented on-line. 2019 marks the expansion of the movement to include "gender non-binary activists and artists."<sup>[14]</sup>

**See also** [ edit ]

- Hackathon

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**External links** [ edit ]

- OpenStreetMap Mapathons

**Image Captions:**

- The 72 horas con Rodin editathon in Mexico City is the longest ever held, recognized by Guinness World Records.
- Attendees at the 2013 Women in the Arts Edit-a-thon in Washington, DC

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--Screenshot of <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Edit-a-thon>



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