Before the Course—  **Create your Wikipedia account**

We ask all course participants to create a Wikipedia user account; here’s how:

1. Go to English-language [Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main_Page).
2. Click on the [Create account](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Special:CreateAccount&returnto=Main+Page) link in the top right corner of the page.



1. Enter a unique username—this does not need to be your real name, and in fact you may not want to use your real name here. Be aware that it is the name all others will see on Wikipedia. This very short video has examples of Wikipedia usernames worldwide.  
   <<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MTzUwXaAK2s> >
2. Enter a password and your email address, and fill in the CAPTCHA.
3. Click **Create your account**. You may see several "welcome new editor" pop-up messages, you can follow them, but feel free to close out of them at this point as well.