



An Introduction to the Wiki World

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What is a Wiki?

- Editable medium
- Links one page to another
- Wikis are typically collaborative websites
- Most famous wiki is Wikipedia



How to create one?

1. Go to www.cas.mcmaster.ca/wiki and create an account by clicking the “Log in/create account” link on the top right. **Make sure you choose your username as your McMaster ID (the same as your email ID).**



Search

2. Search for the topic you want to create a wiki for. If a page on that topic already exists you can edit it, otherwise you can create a page on that topic. (Example on next few slides)



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You searched for **McMaster University**

There is no page titled "McMaster University". You can [create this page](#).

For more information about searching CasWiki, see [Searching CasWiki](#).

Showing below **0** results starting with **#1**.

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Note: Unsuccessful searches are often caused by searching for common words like "have" and "from", which are not indexed (and will appear in the result).

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2. Make your text italic
3. Add internal links (within the wiki engine)
4. Add external links (anywhere on the web)
5. Make a title of a section a level 2 headline
6. Embed an image
7. Add a link to a media file
8. Add a LaTeX mathematical formula
9. Ignore wiki formatting
10. Add your signature and timestamp
11. Add a horizontal line to separate sections





More things you can do

- View the *History* of your page
- Move your page so that all its content is moved to a new page with a different title
- Add pages to your watchlist by clicking the *Watch* tab at the top of the page. This will add the history of this page to your watchlist so you can view it. You can also *unwatch* a page.



Final Notes

- Wiki pages are regularly edited
- Are they a reliable source of information?
- For more information take a look at the wikipedia tutorial: <http://ang.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:Tutorial>