

THE ARCHIVE WIKI

A wiki, so named for the ever-present repository and archive of Wikipedia, is a digitally curated space for specific information. While some wikis are general, others are created for specific topics. In the case of this class, our use of a wiki serves multiple purposes. First and foremost, working on a wiki is an opportunity to engage in remixing and remediation practices, where information previously gathered is condensed into brief pieces of informative writing to provide a summary.

Using your analysis of an existing archive, you will create a brief piece of informative writing that will be posted in the class-curated wiki. This wiki will be maintained by me and used for future iterations of English 419 to engage in the practice of curating and building upon existing archives. Your summary and description of your existing archive should be brief but informative and include pertinent information for others to reference, such as the date the archive was established, its location, its purpose, and notable contents.

This assignment will require learning and working with wiki tools via wikidot, which we will practice together in class. Example wiki write-ups of archives will be provided. As the first iteration of this class, you will be the starting point that influences future students in the writing and posting of their own archive wiki entries, so be sure to take this context into consideration.

Deliverables:

- Brief informative wiki entry, 350-500 words

Total Points: 75