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## Edinburgh Award (Digital Volunteering with Wikipedia)

This award is given to students whom the University has recognised for actively working to improve their digital research and information literacy skills, maximising impact of these skills and excelling as knowledge activists.

These students have undertaken training to become a Wikipedia editing volunteer and assessed, researched and made a significant body of contributions to the cultural commons relating to their chosen topics. They have learnt about open access, maintaining a neutral point of view, the availability and reliability of sources, and have developed their communication skills in writing for different audiences. They have also learnt and assessed how knowledge is created, curated, and contested online along with important digital research skills, copyright literacy and academic referencing.

In successfully completing the Edinburgh Award, these students will have been helped to:

- Increase awareness of their strengths
- Make the most of their strengths, identify areas for development, and work on a plan to develop these skills
- Confidently demonstrate what they have to offer to others
- Project manage, research and curate their chosen topic area.
- Achieve a positive and lasting impact in their chosen topic area
- Communicate their scholarship for the common good of the global open knowledge community.