An Open Platform

Using the UBC Wiki as a Collaborative Tool and Information Repository

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The Question

If **Open Access** is traditionally defined as **journal articles** that can **freely accessed** by anyone in the world using an **internet connection**...

Then what about
all the other info at UBC?

Presentation Overview

- Overview of UBC's online publishing platforms related to teaching and learning
- A look at wikis as an open knowledge sharing tool
- Introduction to the history, current status, and potential of the UBC Wiki
- Getting your hands dirty - sharing your knowledge today

Teaching and Learning with Technology at UBC

Coming from server-under the-desk blogs and wikis to enterprise-level UBC platform:
UBC blogs, UBC wiki, WP websites, all within an umbrella of CLF, CWL and sharing framework

Publishing + Connecting + Dialogue + Sharing:
Typically not seen in the first row of University's web services

Blogs and Sites, both spiced with Wiki

Blogs:
Studying and courses, projects/initiatives, community building, student clubs, societies, groups, various social spaces, hobbies, sports and so on...

Sites:
Proper representation, templated approach: Common Look and Feel, templates, addition of UBC's tools

A wiki is a tool for distributed collaboration

[a wiki is not the same thing as Wikipedia]

Wikipedia before the Wiki

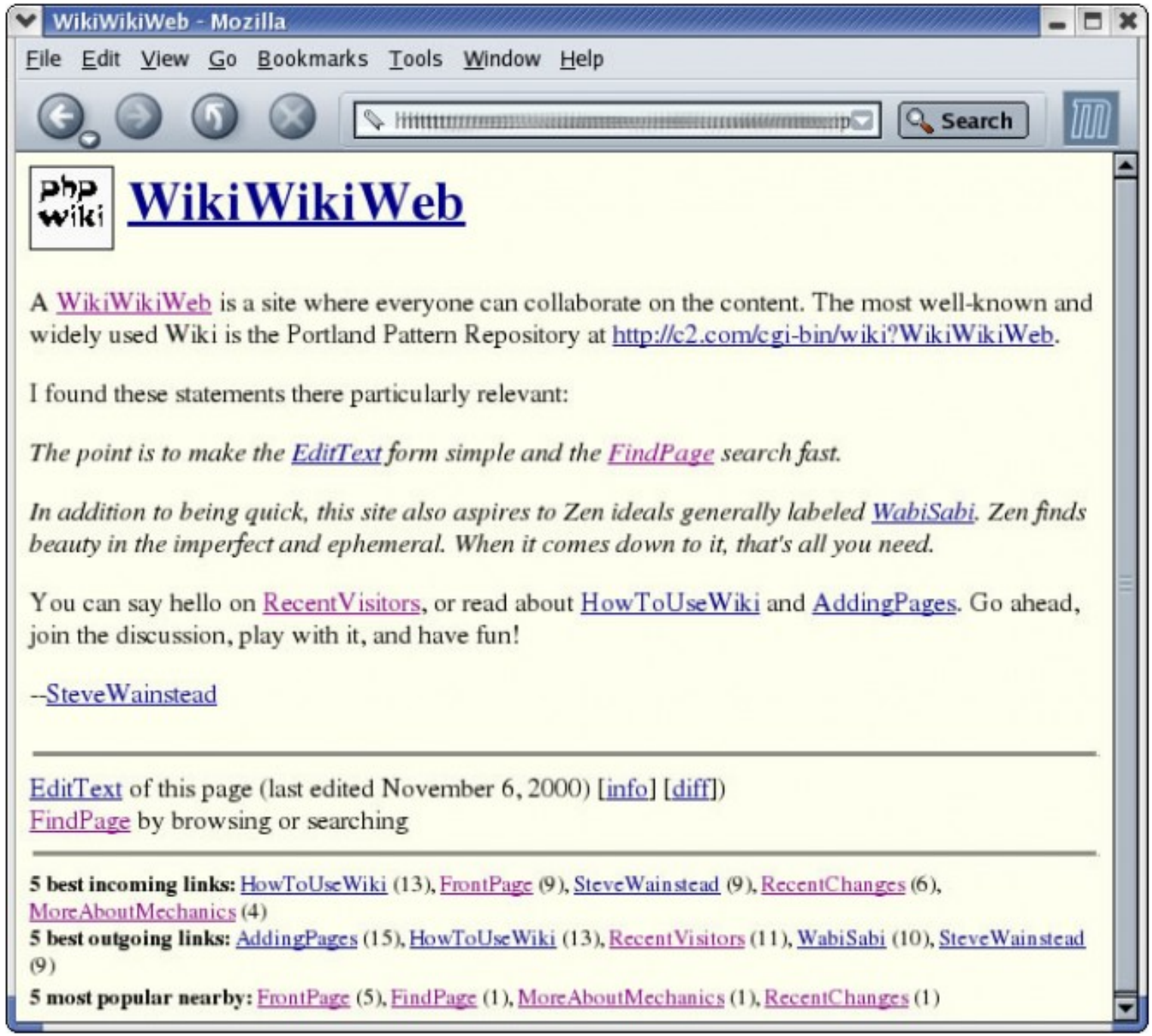
[Question]: Suppose scholars the world over were to learn of a serious online encyclopedia effort in which the results were not proprietary to the encyclopedists, but were freely distributable...in virtually any desired medium.

How quickly would that encyclopedia grow?

[Answer]: Not very quickly

Ward Cunningham:

Groups of people who want to collaborate also tend to trust one another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A WikiWikiWeb is a site where everyone can collaborate on the content. The most well-known and widely used Wiki is the Portland Pattern Repository at http://c2.com/cgi-bin/wiki?WikiWikiWeb.
I found these statements there particularly relevant:
The point is to make the EditText form simple and the FindPage search fast.
In addition to being quick, this site also aspires to Zen ideals generally labeled WabiSabi. Zen finds beauty in the imperfect and ephemeral. When it comes down to it, that's all you need.
You can say hello on RecentVisitors, or read about HowToUseWiki and AddingPages. Go ahead, join the discussion, play with it, and have fun!
--SteveWainstead
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Cunningham's Model

A user editable website

- Every page has a link saying "edit text"
- Whenever a user edited a page, the wiki records the change and saves the previous version

The Core Functions of a Wiki

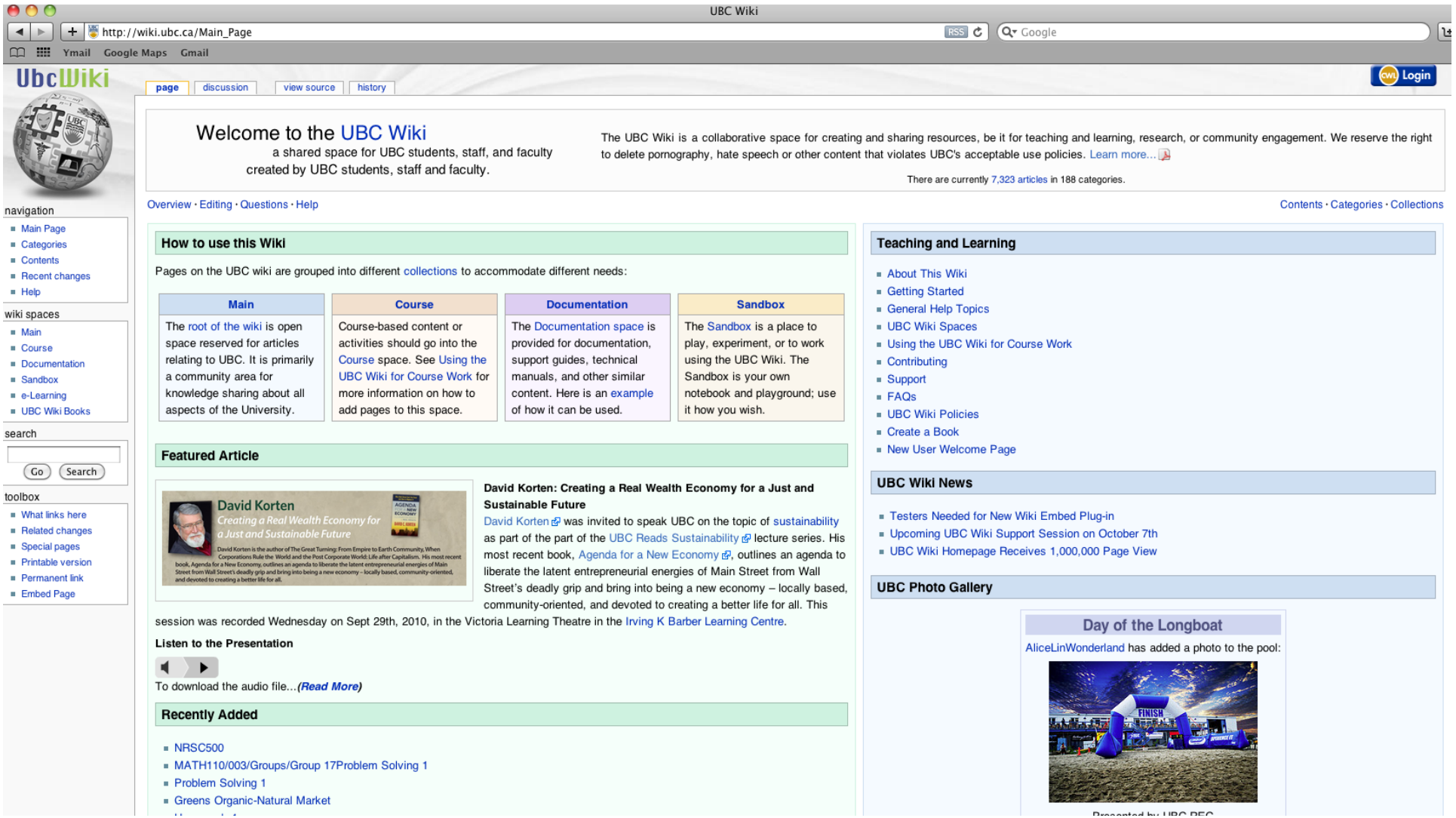
Read

Write

Save

Undo

The UBC Wiki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Welcome to the UBC Wiki
a shared space for UBC students, staff, and faculty
created by UBC students, staff and faculty.
The UBC Wiki is a collaborative space for creating and sharing resources, be it for teaching and learning, research, or community engagement. We reserve the right to delete pornography, hate speech or other content that violates UBC's acceptable use policies. Learn more...
There are currently 7,323 articles in 188 categories.
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How to use this Wiki
Pages on the UBC wiki are grouped into different collections to accommodate different needs:
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Course
Course-based content or activities should go into the Course space. See Using the UBC Wiki for Course Work for more information on how to add pages to this space.
Documentation
The Documentation space is provided for documentation, support guides, technical manuals, and other similar content. Here is an example of how it can be used.
Sandbox
The Sandbox is a place to play, experiment, or to work using the UBC Wiki. The Sandbox is your own notebook and playground; use it how you wish.
Featured Article
David Korten
Creating a Real Wealth Economy for a Just and Sustainable Future
David Korten: Creating a Real Wealth Economy for a Just and Sustainable Future
David Korten was invited to speak UBC on the topic of sustainability as part of the part of the UBC Reads Sustainability lecture series. His most recent book, Agenda for a New Economy, outlines an agenda to liberate the latent entrepreneurial energies of Main Street from Wall Street's deadly grip and bring into being a new economy – locally based, community-oriented, and devoted to creating a better life for all. This session was recorded Wednesday on Sept 29th, 2010, in the Victoria Learning Theatre in the Irving K Barber Learning Centre.
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Upcoming UBC Wiki Support Session on October 7th
UBC Wiki Homepage Receives 1,000,000 Page View
UBC Photo Gallery
Day of the Longboat
AliceLinWonderland has added a photo to the pool:
FINISH

The UBC Wiki is a *collaborative space* for *creating and sharing resources*, be it for teaching and learning, research, or community engagement.

Four Identified Purposes:

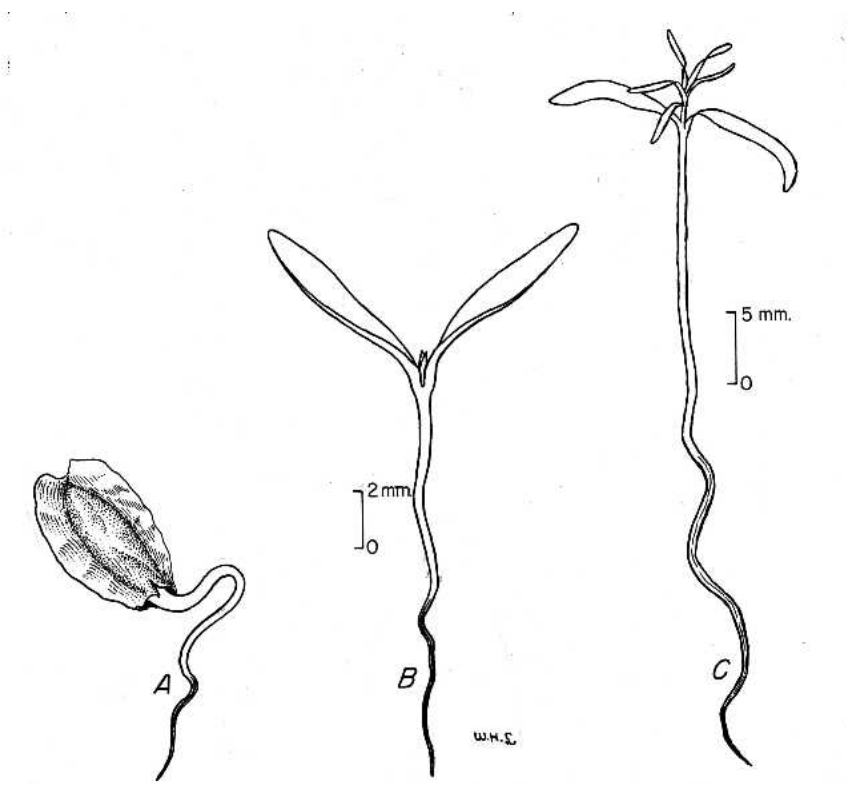
- It is a tool for creating and storing course related information
- It is a personal and collaborative work space
- It is a centralized space for documentation collaboration, editing, and storage
- An informational repository for everything and anything UBC

Organization

We all become important
when we realize our goal
should be to figure out our role
within the context of the whole

-[Kimya Dawson of the Moldy Peaches]

Gardening the Wiki



Goals

- Making the wiki grow and flourish
- Providing organizational structure
- Not stifling use

Namespaces

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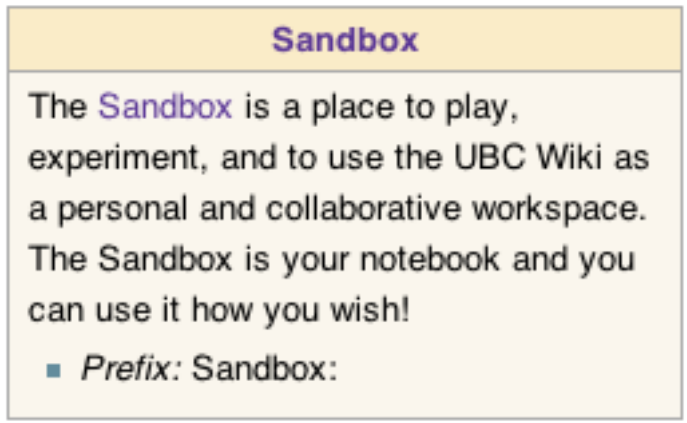
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Documentation

Documentation:Faculty Resource Guide/Contents – UBC Wiki

http://wiki.ubc.ca/Documentation:Faculty_Resource_Guide/Contents

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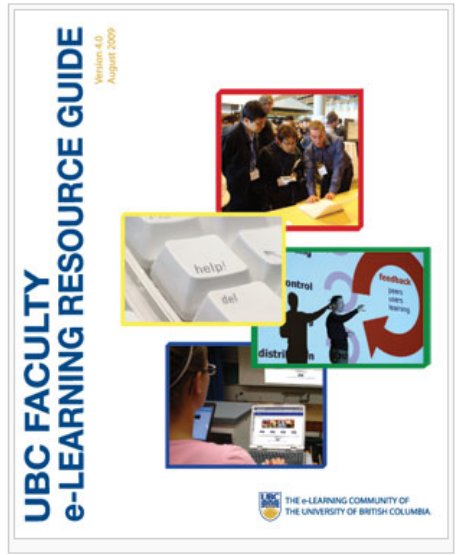
Help and Support for Students and TA's

The 2009 Faculty e-Learning Resource Guide is now available! You can view the pdf version of the resource guide here

The Faculty Resource Guide contains a list of

- quick contacts and related services
- information about this guide
- how to get started using technology at UBC
- resources
- organizations
- events and communities of practice and open education opportunities
- what e-learning tools you can use at UBC
- distance learning
- help and support for students and TA's.

Don't forget to fill out the online feedback form, which let's us know which information was useful and how we can improve future editions of the Faculty e-Learning Resource Guide. You can find the feedback form here.



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Course:MATH110/003 - UBC Wiki

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Course:MATH110/003

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Welcome to the course's wiki for the academic year 2010/2011.

Math 110 is a two-term course in differential calculus with additional material designed to strengthen understanding of essential pre-calculus topics. In addition to regular lectures, students in MATH 110 are assigned to workshop sections which meet weekly under the guidance of graduate and undergraduate teaching assistants.

Basic Informations

- Course: Math 110, section 003 - Differentiable Calculus
- Instructor: David Kohler
- Email: david.kohler@math.ubc.ca
- Office: AA 120
- Office hours: Mondays 2:00pm-3:00pm. Or by appointment.
- Class schedule: Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 8:00 am to 8:50 am
- Classroom: IBLC 261
- Textbook: A custom edition of Calculus: Early Transcendentals, Single Variable by Briggs and Cochran is the required textbook. (The custom edition is simply an abbreviated version of the regular edition.) The accompanying custom Student Solutions Manual is also required, as is a supplementary text, the 3rd edition of Just-In-Time Algebra and Trigonometry for Calculus by Mueller and Brent. All of these resources may be purchased as a package from the UBC Bookstore.
- Clickers: This course will make use of iClickers. A lot of various courses at UBC make use of this technology. You can get your iClicker at the UBC Bookstore. Have a look at the Clickers documentation page on this wiki for more details.

What you will find in this wiki

So far, the following pages have been created.

- If you are a new student who just enrolled in this course, please read the Getting Started page.
- Most administrative issues such as grading schemes, important dates and the course outline are discussed and described on the Administration page.
- Daily reading assignments will be described on the Reading Assignment page.
- There will be a assigned homework almost every week. The Homework Assignment page will contain all the relevant information.
- The Math Forum page offers the possibility to ask and answer mathematical questions related to the course. This is mainly meant for students to ask questions related to the homework, the reading assignments or the topics explored in the course in general.
- The Course policies page contains all the rules that have been agreed on by the class.
- The Frequently Asked Questions page highlights common questions and provides tips and answers.

List of all subpages of this wiki

- MATH110/003/Administration
- MATH110/003/Basic Skills
- MATH110/003/Class List
- MATH110/003/Groups/Group 15
- MATH110/003/Groups/Group 15/Homework 3
- MATH110/003/Groups/Group 15/Homework 4

Main [UBCpedia]

- Information goes across university boundaries, such as departments, campuses, individuals, classes, etc.
- Information in centralized in a long lasting location

Examples

- What is UBC publishing on YouTube?
- Where is the closest place on campus to get a beer?
- What's the difference between my housing and the one I want to live in?

[Question]: How do wikis protect an author's work?

[Answer]: They don’t.

Philosophical Ownership

- Main space: No ownership of articles
- Documentation, Sandbox, and Course: Soft ownership

Content Republishing & Repackaging

Information published on the UBC Wiki does not have to stay on the UBC Wiki

A Few Statistics

The UBC Wiki went live in July 2009

In that time, it has received **2,018,521** page views.

It has **7,343** pages,
which were created by **2,055** users.

In the last 7 days, **281** people have logged in and edited a page.

The UBC Wiki is a Tool Measured in Potential Energy

[It's most valuable asset is you]

Getting your hands dirty

- Starting a new page
- Editing a page
- Moving a page
- Headers
- Links
- Ordered and Unordered lists
- Uploading Files

Questions

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