### Abstract

In this research we propose …

Points to keep in mind as you write your proposal:

* Your proposal can be a maximum of 4,500 words for all sections. The word count excludes References. Any appendix counts against the word limit. Although references and links to external websites are allowed, the proposal should be self-contained, and reviewers will be asked to consider only material in the proposal when making decisions (the budget is the one exception). We will reject proposals that are longer than the maximum word limit without review.
* Feel free to use figures. These will not be counted against your word limit.
* To ensure that proposals are presented in a consistent way, please prepare your proposal using this template and do not make changes to the section headers, font, margins, and so on.

### **Introduction**

Your introduction should address the following points:

* What is the problem that you aim to solve with this proposal?
* Why is addressing the problem important for the Wikimedia projects? Please anchor your claim in evidence as much as possible. We pay significant attention to the impact statement in this section.
* What are the specific research questions or hypotheses that you want to address in this proposal?

**Date**: Specify the start and end time of your proposal. Proposed work can start as early as July 1, 2025 and should conclude by the grant's end time (e.g., June 30, 2026 or 2027).

### Related work

Discuss related work, by yourself or others, that relate to your research questions or hypotheses. Help us understand how the result of your research can advance or address a gap in research and scientific understanding in the related areas to your research questions or hypotheses.

### Methods

Explain in detail what specific research methods you intend to follow to answer the research question(s) or test the hypotheses you introduced in the Introduction section. We understand that not all the details of your methods may be known at this point. However, please try to be as specific as possible.

Although methods will be very specific to each project, this section might include information about:

* Data collection: Which sources you intend to use? How will you collect data?
* Surveys: How will you form survey questions? How will you choose the population for the surveys, analysis techniques, etc? How will you recruit participants?

Analysis: What methods do you intend to use to analyze the data and infer insights or answers to your research questions? How will you move from data to results?

### Expected output

List the specific research outputs that you envision for your proposed project. These can include, but are not limited to:

* Scientific publications
* Public APIs or datasets
* Insights to inform decision-making
* Events

For each output, explain who the primary intended audience for the output is and what benefit, if more specifics are available, they can gain by receiving the output. The impact of your output matters. If you have specific publication venues, conferences, and so on in mind, please list these.

### Risks

What risks or challenges do you anticipate in the context of the proposed research project? What steps will you take to mitigate these risks?

### Community impact plan

Please outline the ways in which your proposed research will seek to reach and/or impact audiences beyond researchers and academics. For example, describe your plans to work with the different potential audiences for your research to promote the adoption or use of your work. If you intend to work with the Wikimedia volunteer editor or organizer communities, Wikimedia volunteer developers, or Wikimedia affiliates and user groups, this is a good place to highlight your plans to work with them for adoption and further impact.

### Evaluation

How will you, and how should others, including the Research Fund chairs, evaluate your proposed project? What will you consider a measure of success for your proposed research?

### Budget

Use the Wikimedia Foundation’s [budget template](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1VI7dYUo0zjOtlGycaCMuMQrNfbYwqGEq6yBzkwXRrzw/edit) for conferences and events planning. Please update the rows of the sheet to the needs of your project. In your submission, provide a link to your budget spreadsheet as part of this section. Please make sure we can view the file (e.g., ensure that it is viewable by anyone who has the link.)

### References

You can choose which format you use for showing the references. References will not be counted against your word limit.