

FINDING FOREIGN ROOTS USING THE FAMILYSEARCH RESEARCH WIKI

Jennifer P. Hansen, AG®
hansen.jenny@gmail.com

Purpose: At the end of class, each student should:

- Recognize the purpose behind the research wikis
- Be familiar with the history of the wikis
- Understand the structure and data likely contained in wikis
- Use the wiki to learn the culture, geography and other useful information about a new area of research
- Know how to use the wikis to identify probable record groups for research
- Find links to original records on the wikis

Defining a Wiki

Collaborative effort
Ability to edit
Hyperlinks

History of Research Wikis

Research Guides
Formation of the Research Wiki, 2007
Found in *Search* category on FamilySearch

What is a Typical Wiki?

Layout
Getting Started
Clickable maps
Beginning Research
Research Tools

Research Wiki Tools

Notification of Changes
Wiki Categories
How-to Videos

Viewing a New Wiki

Topics links

Getting Started

Research Tools

Record Types

Identifying Record Groups and Finding Original Records

1st-Record Types

2nd-*Online Records* button

Online Genealogy Records Wiki

Examples: Locality-Specific Wikis

Germany

Ireland

Denmark

Mexico

China

Examples: Topical Wikis

Wiki User Lessons

US Immigration

Online Genealogy Records

Research Process and Instruction

Reference Materials and Finding Aids

Disambiguation Place Names