SNACSchool 3.2

Adding Images To SNAC

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After a SNAC record is published, images can be linked/imported from [Wikimedia Commons](https://commons.wikimedia.org). The publication step is the step that gives the SNAC record its permanent Ark ID, and that’s what’s required for connecting to Wikidata.
To Add an Image:

1. Navigate to the [Wikidata Page](https://wikidata.org/

2. If there is an image already in the Wikidata item, you’re set. If there is no image, you’ll need to check Wikimedia Commons or upload an image to Commons (if possible)

*Note*: You do not need to be logged into Wikidata or create an account. It is recommended to do so; more information is [here](https://wikidata.org/).

If there is an image already and you either want to add another image or make a preferential change check out more information in [Wikidata](https://wikidata.org/).
3. Scroll to see if there is a SNAC Ark ID attached to the record

Find the item under Identifiers (or a control + f key)

4. If you need to add the SNAC Ark ID, at the end of the list of Identifiers you’ll see “+ add statement”
5. Start typing in SNAC Ark ID; Wikidata will begin to fill it out for you
6. Find the Ark ID on the SNAC record under Information

7. Copy and paste the Ark ID and select publish

8. It will take a few minutes for SNAC to update with an image
What to do if there are no images in Wikidata?

If there is no image in Wikidata it means:

--No one has uploaded one into Wikidata
--There is no image in Wikimedia Commons

Wikidata has a tutorial for adding an image. Find that here.

Note: Wikimedia Commons has many rules for uploading images and images have to be in the public domain or under a free license (more here). It’s not always possible that there is an image available either in Wikimedia Commons or to upload into Wiki Commons.
If you need to add images to **Wikimedia Commons** you can find out more information [here](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Main_Page).

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