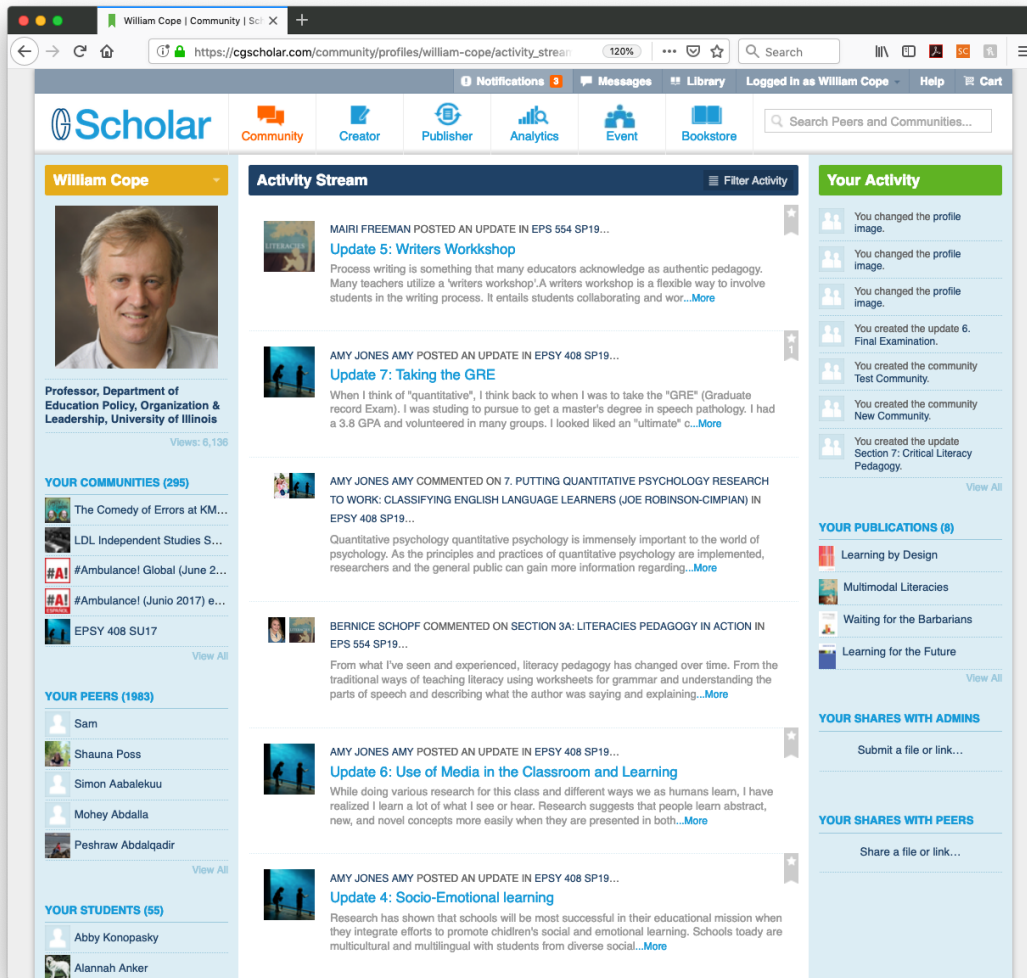# Tutorial 2.1: Setting Up Your Community Profile
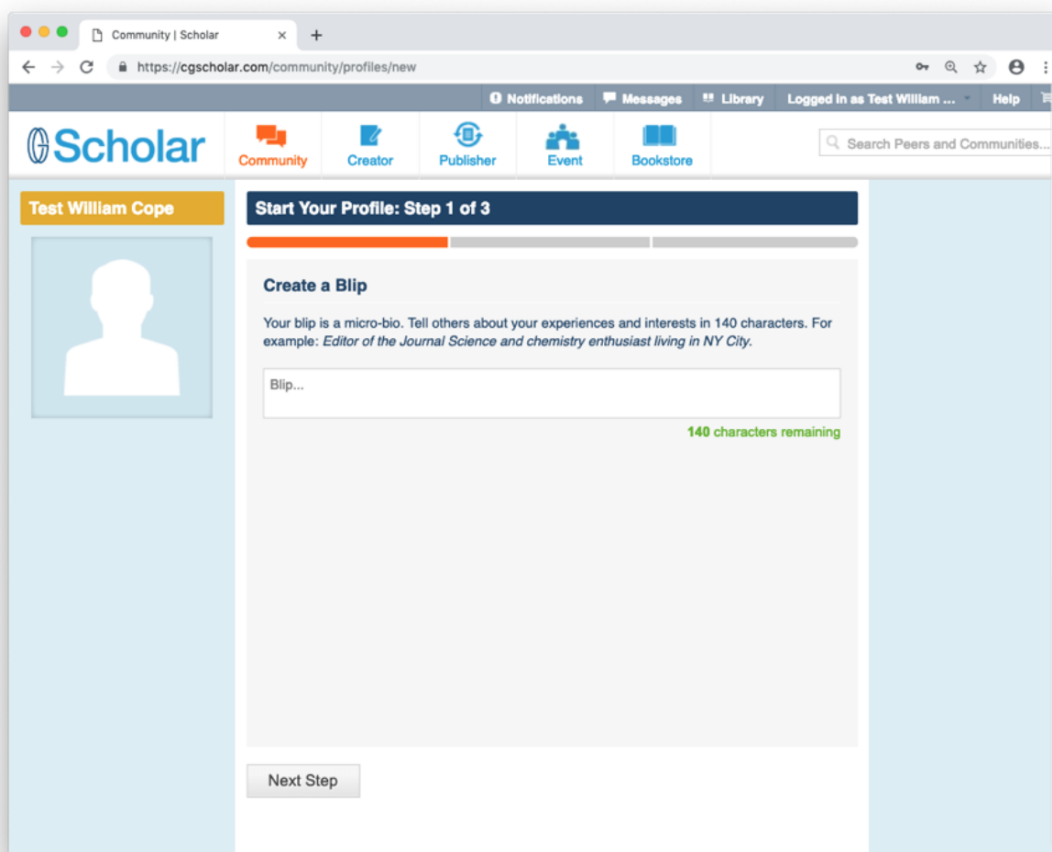

2.1.1 Introduction to the Community App

Community is a social media space within CGScholar with some important differences. In fact, rather than "social media," we call this a "social knowledge" technology because it is designed for knowledge interactions, rather than connections between "friends" or participation by "followers." Instead, in CGScholar, we have "peers" and community "members."

In Community, you can view and make updates, comment on updates, and star updates. If you make these in your profile page, the update feeds to your peers. If you make these in a community (you can only create an update there if that community is unrestricted), the update feeds to all the members of that community
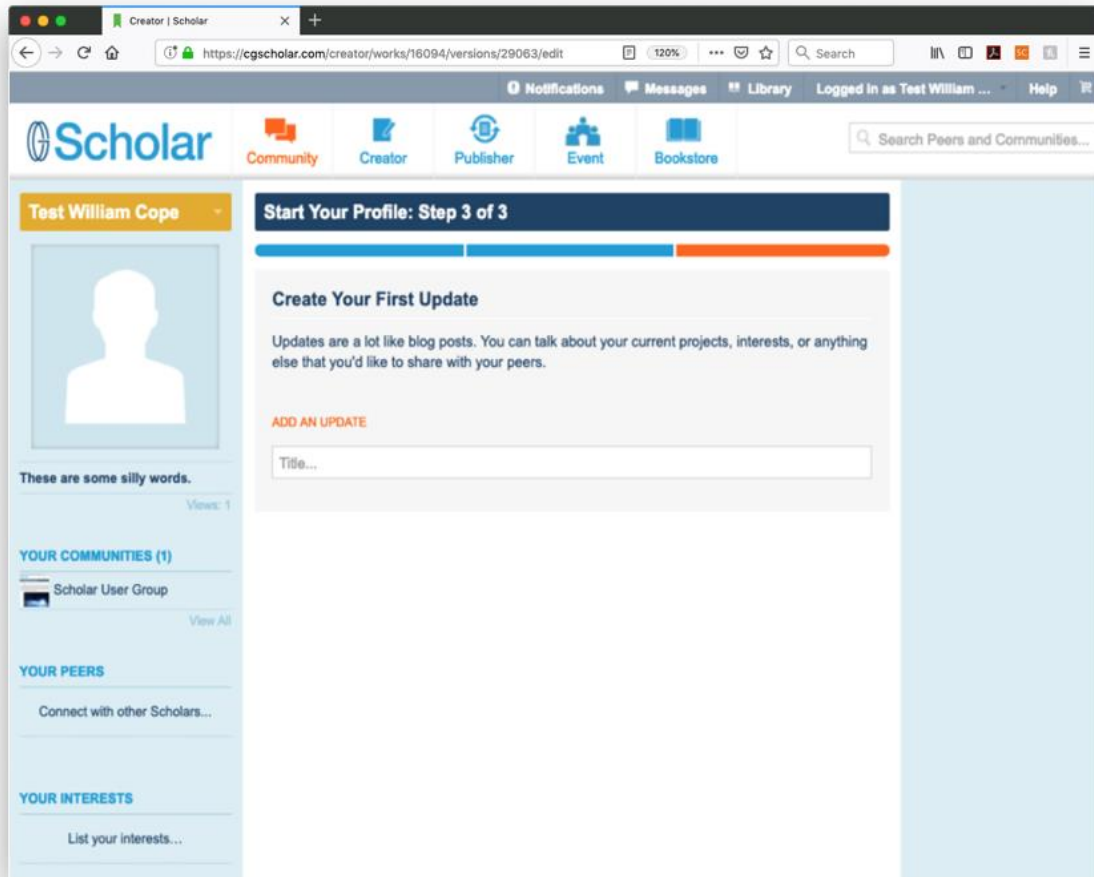
You can also provide information about yourself, your interests, and your knowledge experiences. If you are over 18 and not a student, you can choose from a range of privacy settings including full visibility of your knowledge profile on the web, including feeds to Facebook and Twitter.

2.1.2 Profile Creation, Steps 1 and 2

- If this is the first time you have logged into CGScholar, you will be prompted to create a profile. A "blip" is a short statement about yourself that will appear below your avatar. This can be edited later in the "About" page (see Tutorial 2.3). Then click the [Next Step] button at the bottom of the screen. It is also possible that you may have already been added to a community by an admin. In this case, go directly to the "About" page and bring your information up to date.
- Next, in Step 2, connect with peers and communities. CGScholar will make some suggestions, or you can search for people or communities. You can also go on with [Next Step] at the foot of the screen and connect with communities later. All CGScholar users over 18 are automatically made members of the community "CGScholar User Group," for development and other informational updates.

2.1.3 Profile Creation, Step 3

Now you may create your first update. This is an optional suggestion at this point.

- Tutorial 2.2 has more information about creating updates.
- We recommend strongly that you put more information in your profile as soon as you can, as described in Tutorial 2.3.