

Theses databases: UK, Ireland & International

Information Skills Practical Workshop

Listed below are important collections of postgraduate theses. Two of these are listed in Primo-Find Databases and the others will be added soon. NOTE: not all content is available in full text.

To access **Dissertations & Theses @ University of Aberdeen (ProQuest)** and **ProQuest Dissertations & Theses A&I**:

1. Sign in to Primo at <http://primo.abdn.ac.uk/>
2. Select the **Find Databases** tab above the search screen
3. Click on the right arrow next to **All General Resources** from the options under **Databases by category**
4. Scroll down to **Theses** and select that option. Click on the name of a resource to open its details page in Primo
5. In the **View Online** section, click on the name of the resource

Dissertations & Theses @ University of Aberdeen (ProQuest)

<https://search.proquest.com/pqdtlocal1008880/advanced>

As part of a digitisation partnership between the University of Aberdeen and ProQuest, this database gives access to the full-text of more than 2,500 University of Aberdeen doctoral theses from 1925 onwards. Many more theses are indexed, from 1883-2012. Abstracts are available for many of these titles.

Authentication route: Shibboleth/UK Federation

ProQuest Dissertations & Theses A&I

<https://search.proquest.com/pqdt/advanced?accountid=8155>

This database is the world's most comprehensive collection of dissertations and theses from around the world, spanning from 1743 to the present day.

Authentication route: Shibboleth/UK Federation

EThOS: e- theses online service

<https://ethos.bl.uk/Home.do>

EThOS provides a single point of access to UK doctoral theses. As of June 2019 it contains around 500,000 records and the full text of approximately 260,000 theses. Using the Advanced Search option, it is possible to search by author, research supervisor, title, subject, institution, year of award, and more. It is necessary to register with EThOS to access full text or order a thesis not yet digitised.

Authentication route: unrestricted access | **Please note:** to use this service you need to register with EThOS

Further resources

The following databases may be of interest. They are not currently on Primo.

NDLTD: Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations

www.ndltd.org/

The Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations Global ETD Search enables researchers to search across 44 platforms containing links to more than 5 million electronic theses and dissertations. Some abstracts are included. Coverage is international and includes multiple languages.

Authentication route: free

OATD: Open Access Theses and Dissertations

<https://oatd.org/>

An index of over 4 million electronic theses and dissertations (ETDs) from more than 1,100 colleges, universities, and research institutions around the world. To the extent possible, the index is limited to records of graduate-level theses that are freely available online.

Authentication route: free

PQDT Open (ProQuest)

<https://pqdtopen.proquest.com/search.html>

PQDT Open provides the full text of North American open access dissertations and theses free of charge, subject to embargo. Using the 'More Search Options' search for dissertations and theses relevant to your discipline and view the complete text in PDF format.

Authentication route: free

Theses Canada

www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/services/theses/Pages/search.aspx

The Theses Canada Portal indexes more than 400,000 Canadian theses from 70 institutions (1965-present), with many available in full text. The collection includes both Masters and Doctoral theses.

Authentication route: free

Help and advice

Library staff and Information Consultants can help with any difficulties using any library resource

Information Consultant contact details <http://bit.ly/InfoConsultants>

Subject & Enquiry staff (TSDRL Floors 4-6, Medical and Taylor Libraries help desks)

Worksheets in our wiki (Find it Fast!) <http://finditfastlibraryworkshops.pbworks.com>

Library web pages www.abdn.ac.uk/library

IT staff can help with specific IT-related problems you may be having

IT Service Desk - Log any IT problems at <https://myit.abdn.ac.uk>

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