

ProQuest Dissertations and Theses Global

Supporting your research

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Session Objectives

At the end of the session, you will be able to



Understand the content coverage within ProQuest Dissertations and Theses

Empower the best practices for searching information

Understand the value and usage of PQDT for research

Evaluate, curate and organize and keep yourself updated in your own domain

ProQuest Dissertations and Theses - Training/Webinar Outline

- ☐ Introduction to ProQuest database
 - What is ProQuest Dissertation & Theses Global
 - Accessing to Help and Lib Guides
 - Use of varied content type- Survey
 Findings
 - The Impact of Digitization
- ☐ Content Coverage & Search Strategies and Tips
 - Understand the content coverage
 - Value of Dissertations & Theses for Research
 - Search Strategies and Tips
 - Use of multiples search forms and Index searching
 - Assessment 1

- ☐ Evaluate and Organize your information
 - Evaluate your content
 - Diving Deeper into your research topics
 - Saving and sharing options
- ☐ Managing & organizing My Research account
 - Managing saved documents
 - Managing saved searches
 - Creating alert
 - Assessment 2

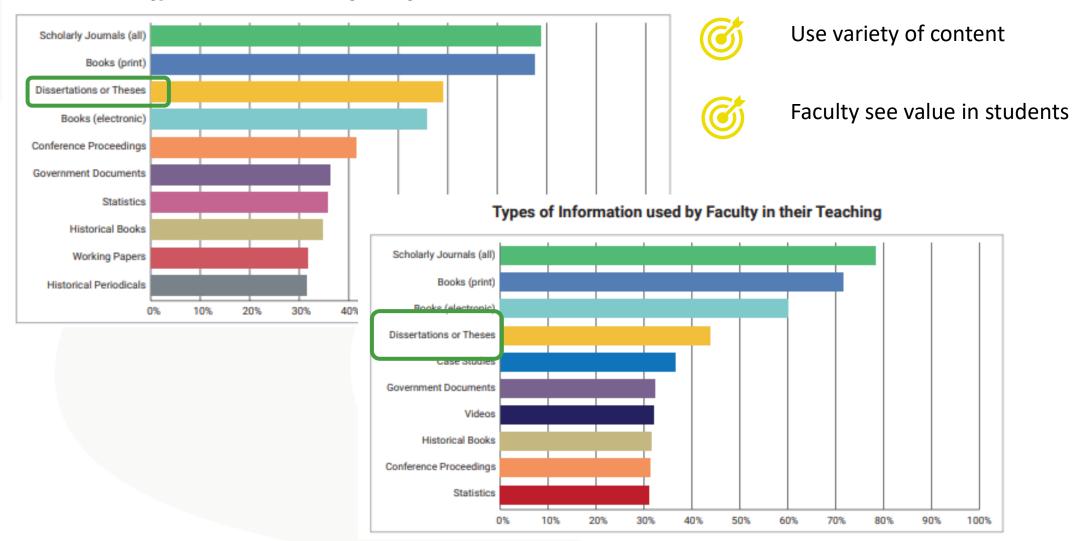
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Use of PQDT content in Teaching & Research

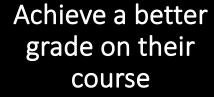
Varied Content Types for Teaching and Research

Types of Information used by Faculty in their Research

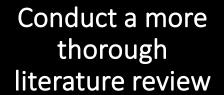


Faculty believe that varied content is essential to student success

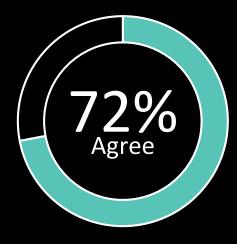
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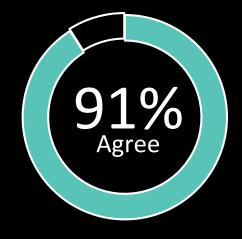


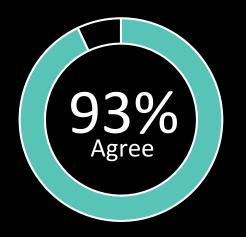
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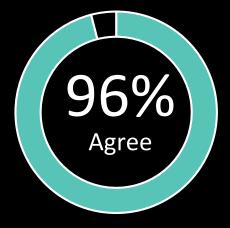


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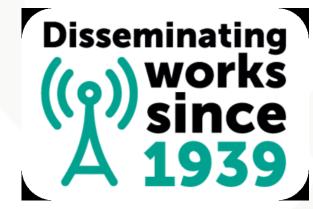
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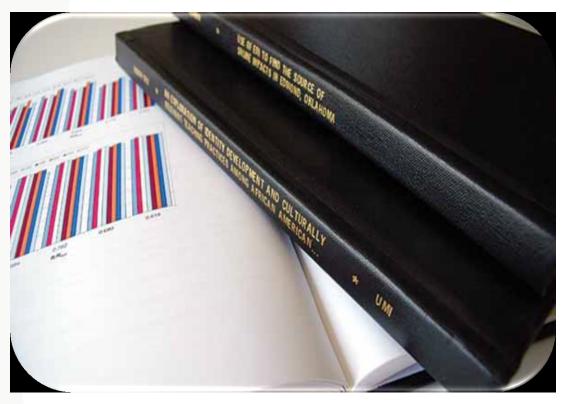
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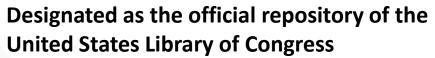


What is ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Global?











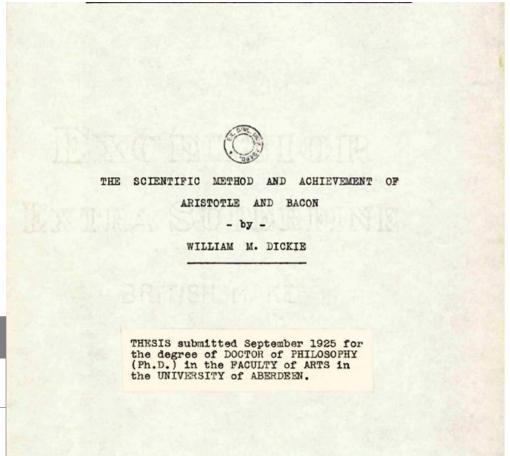




The Impact of Digitization

The Scientific Method and Achievement of Aristotle and Bacon, by William M. Dickie, Ph.D. Thesis, University of Aberdeen.

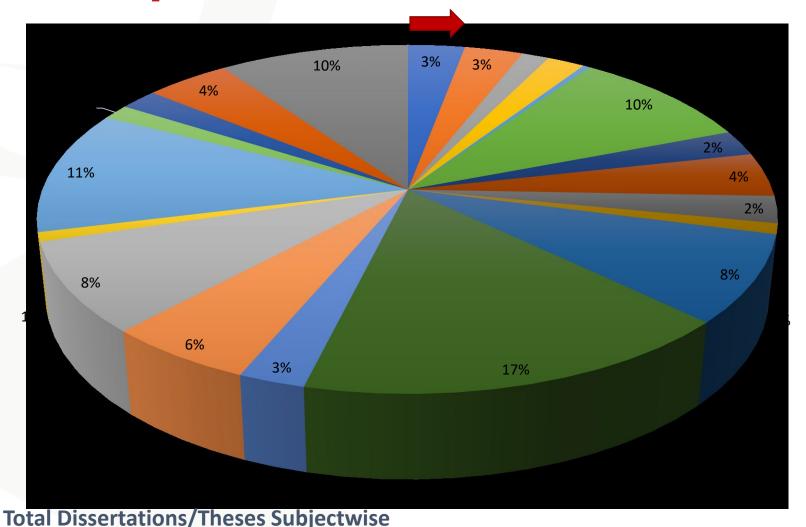
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Number of library checkouts after 90 years	3
Number of views after digitization and inclusion in PQDT	30





Up to Date Content Coverage on PQDT

ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Across Disciplines







■ Area, Ethnic, and Gender Studies

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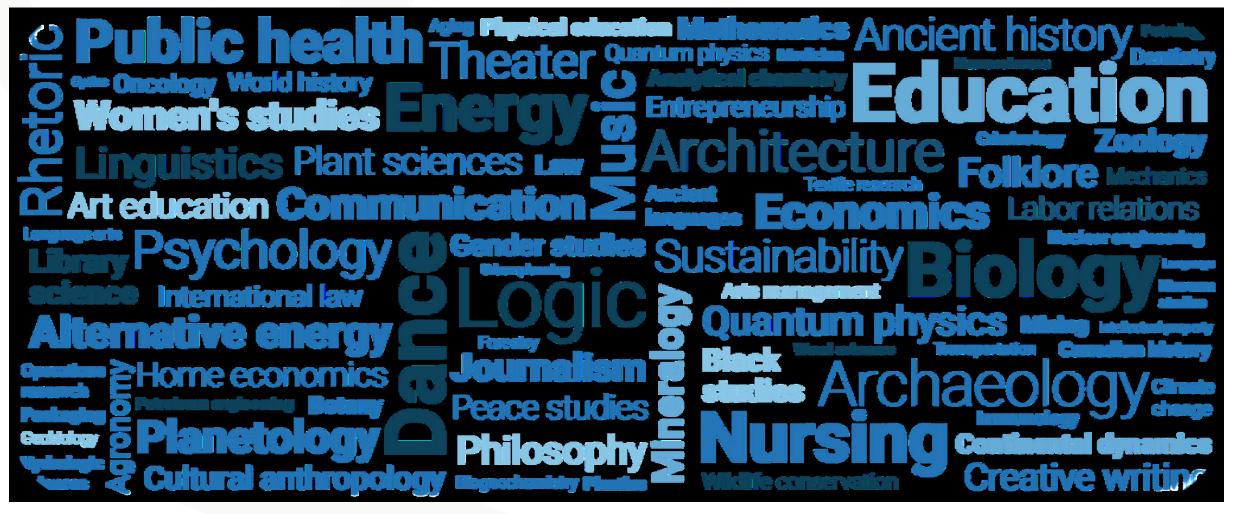
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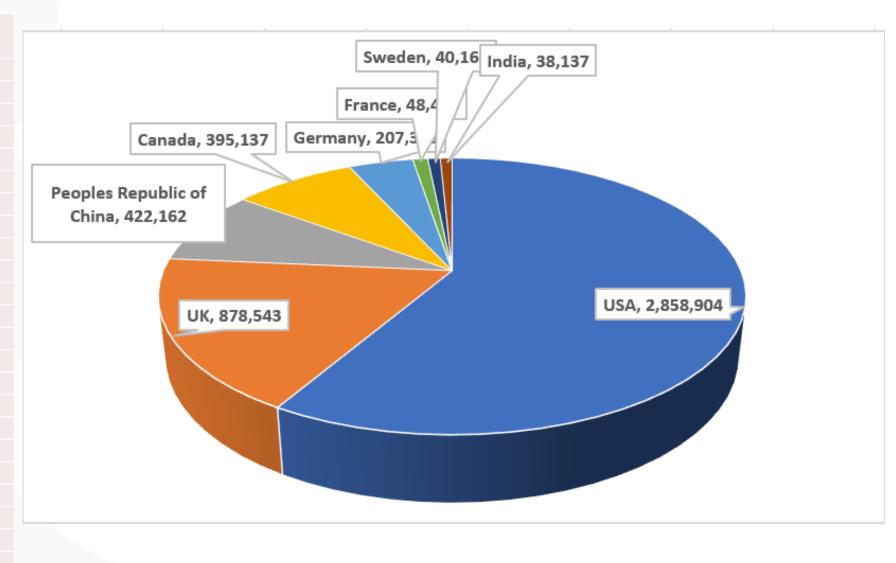
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Multi-disciplinary resource providing material to support all departments and disciplines



ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Across Countries

	Num. of Theses/
Country	Dissertations
USA	2,858,904
United Kingdom	878,543
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Sweden	40,165
India	38,137
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Netherlands	13,103
Hong Kong	12,176
Finland	9,205
Australia	9,180
Portugal	5,854
Austria	5,095
Belgium	4,736
Poland	2,399
Israel	2,356
Norway	2,328
Saudi Arabia	2,281
Peru	2,212





Value of Dissertations & Theses in Academic Research

Why Use Dissertations and Theses for Research?

Dissertations are scholarly, reviewed work resulting from comprehensive and original research.



Provide in-depth scholarly examples



Provide guide for the research topics



Deliver recommendations and findings, new trends and ideas



Dissertations include up-to-date literature reviews with extensive bibliographies



An extensive review process –by academic peer

AN APPROACH TO INTEGRATE LIGHTING CONCEPTS
INTO INTERIOR DESIGN STUDIOS:
A CONSTRUCTIVIST EDUCATIONAL FRAMEWORK

A THESIS

SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
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Search Strategies Tips

System Search Defaults(Automatic Retrieval)

Variances	Examples	Phrase Searching	
2 or more words	Automatically recognized with an implicit and Artificial IntelligenceArtificial and Intelligence Air PollutionAir and Pollution terms in qu		
Singular and Plural	Nurse Nurses Child Children	"Artificial Intelligence" "Air Pollution"	
Comparative and Superlative	ThinThinnerThinnest Good BetterBest		
Spelling Variance(US vs British English)	ColorColour Defense Defence		

Search Strategies Tips Boolean and Proximity Operators

Boolean	Examples		
And	Narrow your search and retrieve records containing all of the words All the words must be present Metabolites and indigenous will only find records containing both these words		
Or	Broaden a search and retrieve records containing any of the words or both Indigenous or natural will find records containing indigenous only, natural only or both words.		
Not	Narrow a search and retrieve records that do not contain the term following it. Pollution not sound Retrieves all records of pollution but not sound		
Proximity	Examples		
NEAR/n(#) N/n(#)	Terms appear within a specified number of words apart, in any order Marketing NEAR/5 Effectiveness Will find marketing effectiveness, effectiveness of marketing, effectiveness level of marketing etc		
PRE/n(#) P/n(#)	Terms appear within a specified number of words apart, in the specified order. Attention PRE/3 Disorder Will find Attention Deficit Disorder, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder But not Not Disorder With Attention Deficit		

Search Strategies Truncation and Wildcards

Truncation/ Wildcards	Examples
asterisk (*)	The truncation character can be used at the end (right-hand truncation), or in the middle of a word. The maximum number of characters that will be retrieved is 5. Search for Econom* will find Economy, Economist, Economic, Economical Search for Medic* will find medical, medicine, medication, medically
question mark symbol (?)	Wildcard character, used to replace any single character, either inside or at the right end of the word. Search t?re will find tire, tyre, tore

Search Fields in Advance Search Forms

Field	Field Code	Example
Abstract	AB	AB(transformation)
Author	AU	AU(morrison)
All subjects and Indexing	PD	SU(Internet of Things)
Document title	TI	TI(leadership)
Location as subject	LOC	LOC(china)
Person as subject	PER	PER(thatcher)
Publication title	PUB	PUB(wall street journal)
Subject heading	MAINSUBJECT	mainsubject(higher education)
Advisor	adv	ADV(John)

Field Searching (Advance Searching)

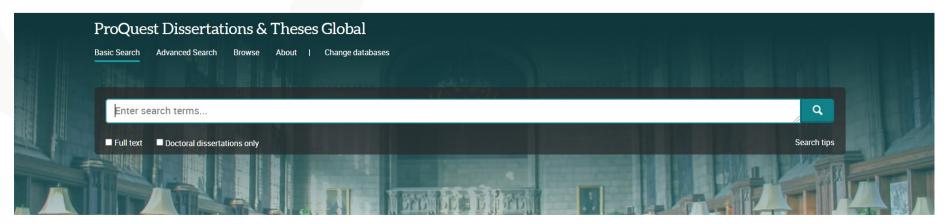
- Search by field
 - ab(machine learning)
 - Finds the machine learning is stated and discussed in Abstract field

- Search multiple fields (separate fields with comma)
 - main subject(Artificial intelligence) AND ti(artificial intelligence)
 - Finds Artificial intelligence in Main Subject and Document with title Artificial Intelligence



Discover your research with Basic search

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- Natural Sciences
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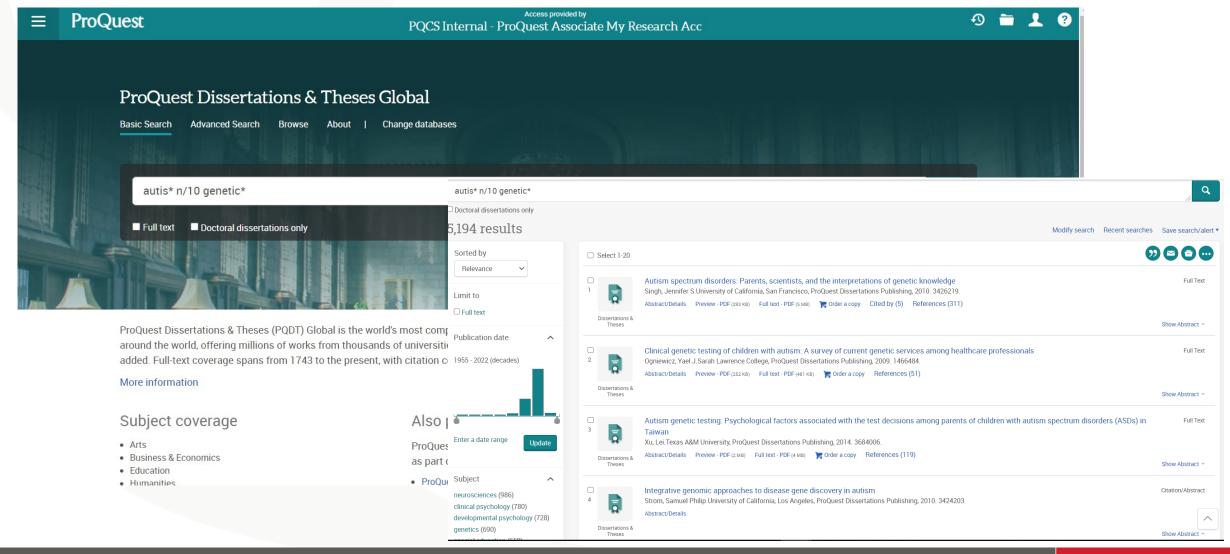
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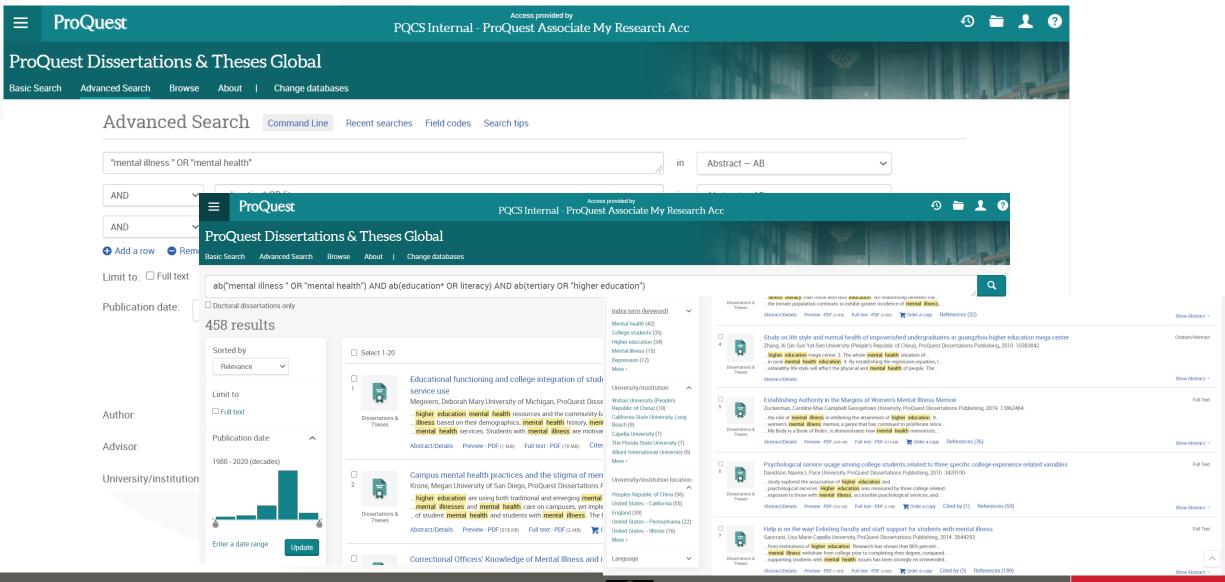
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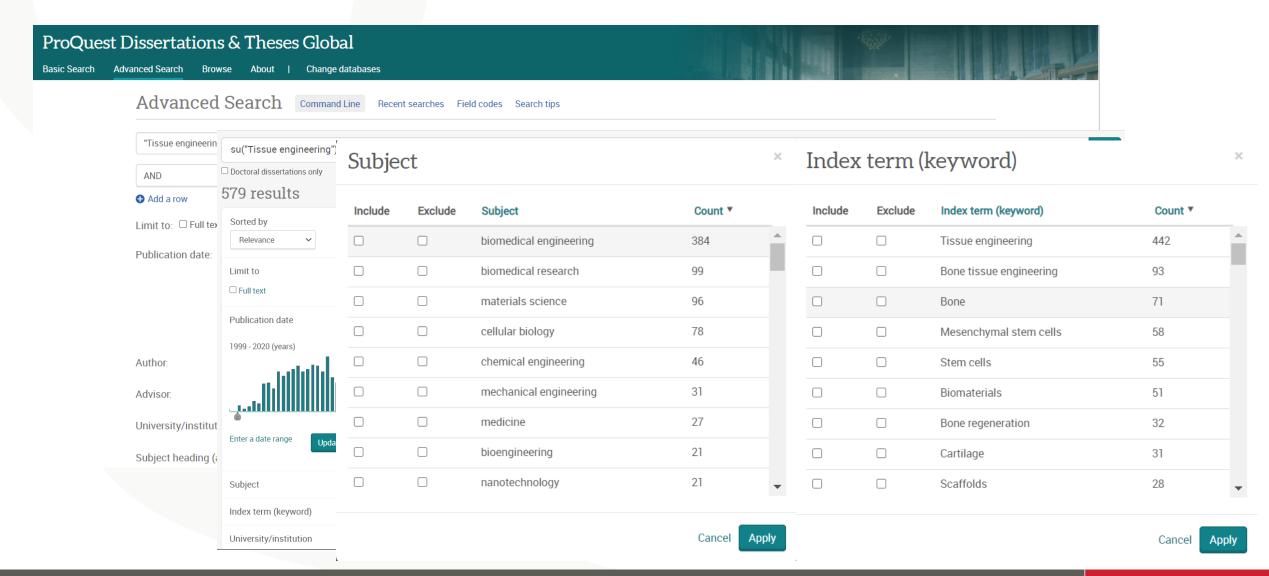
Basic Search



Advance Search-Search Fields



Advance Search - Subject



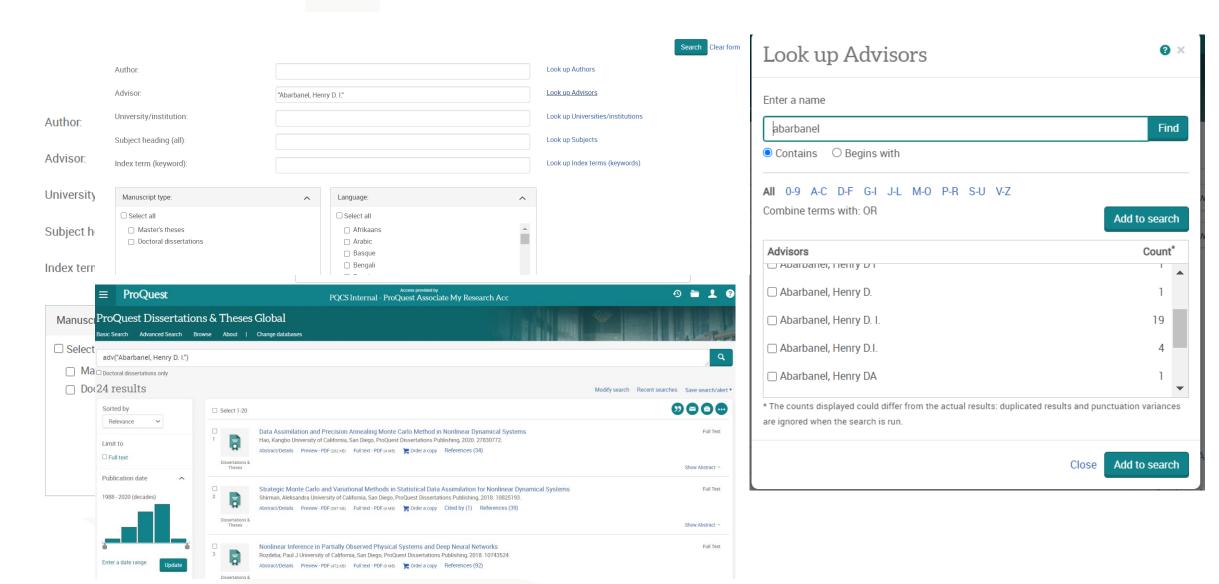


Indexed Field Search

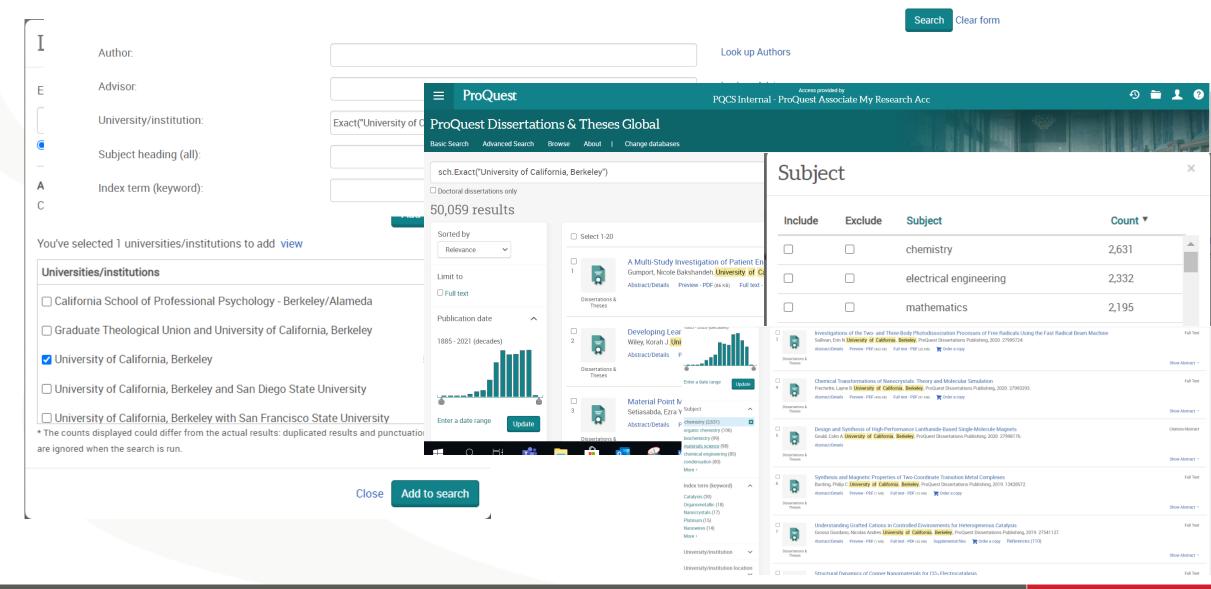
Indexed Field Search

				Search Clear form
Author:				Look up Authors
Advisor:				Look up Advisors
University/institution:				Look up Universities/institutions
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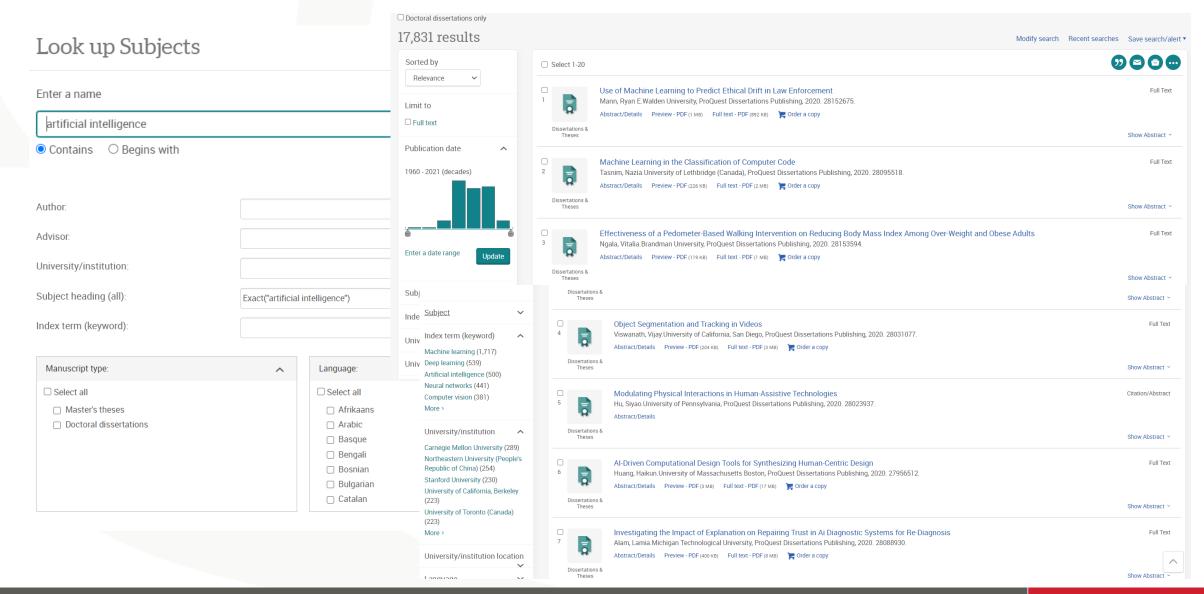
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Index Field Search -Institution



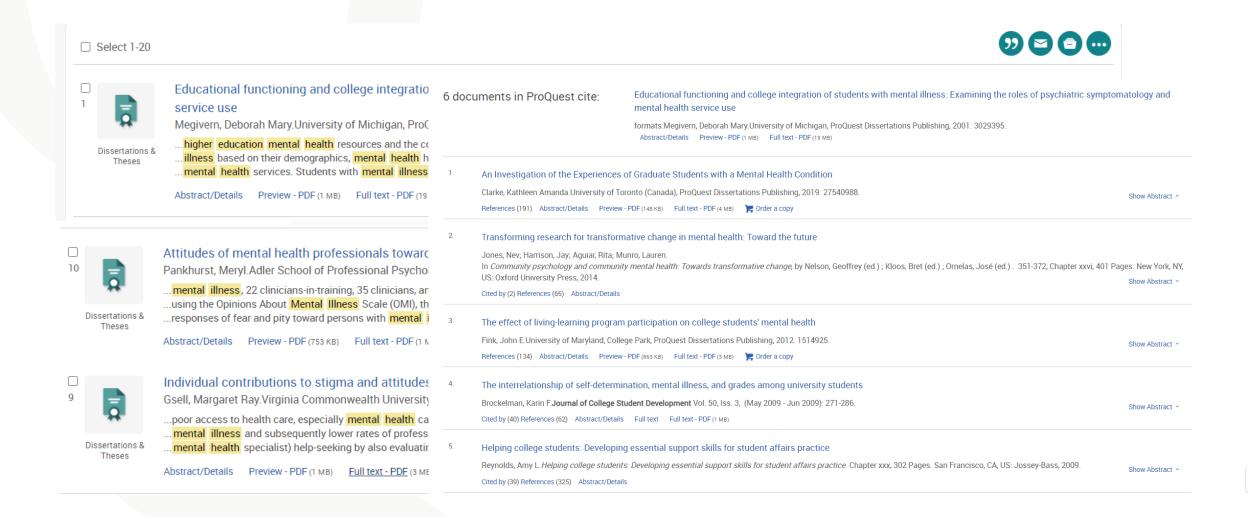
Index Field Search - Subject





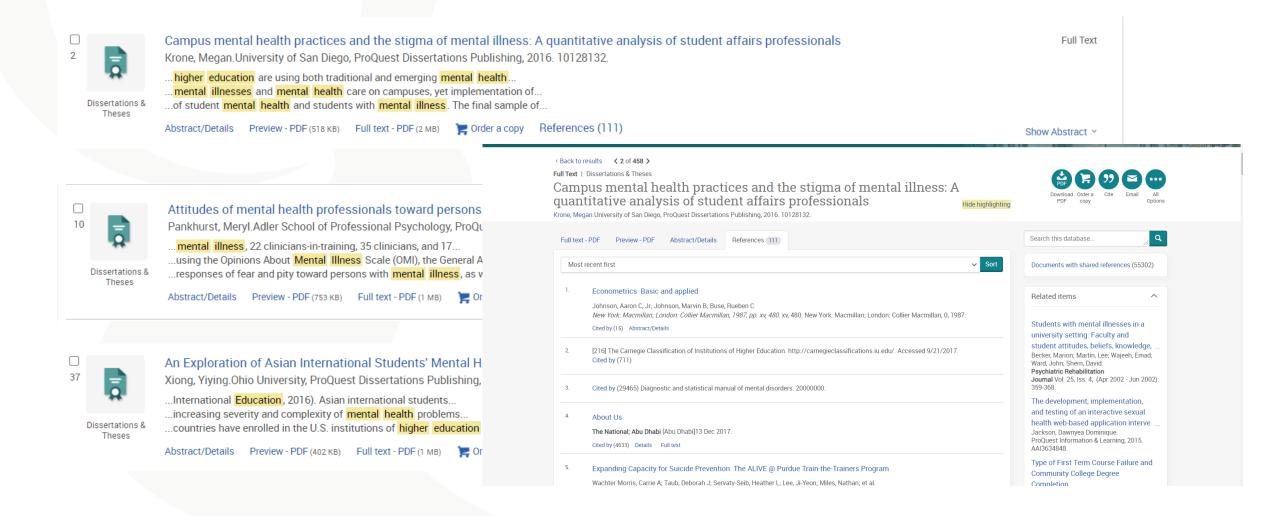
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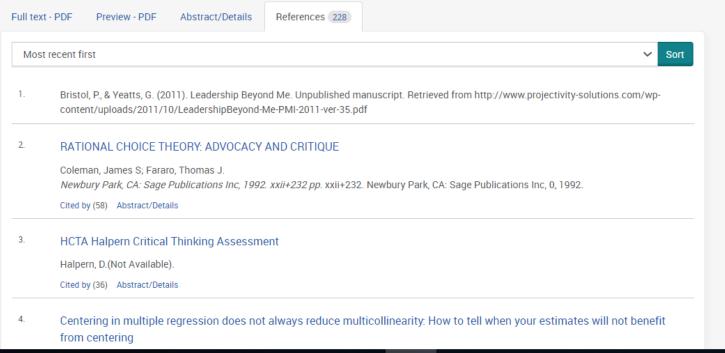
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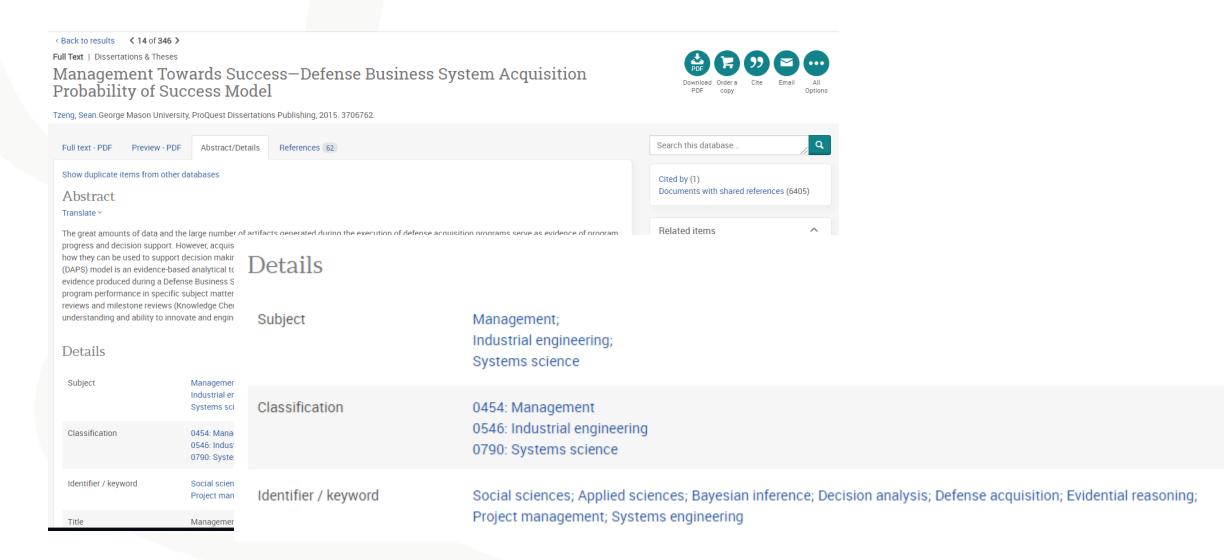
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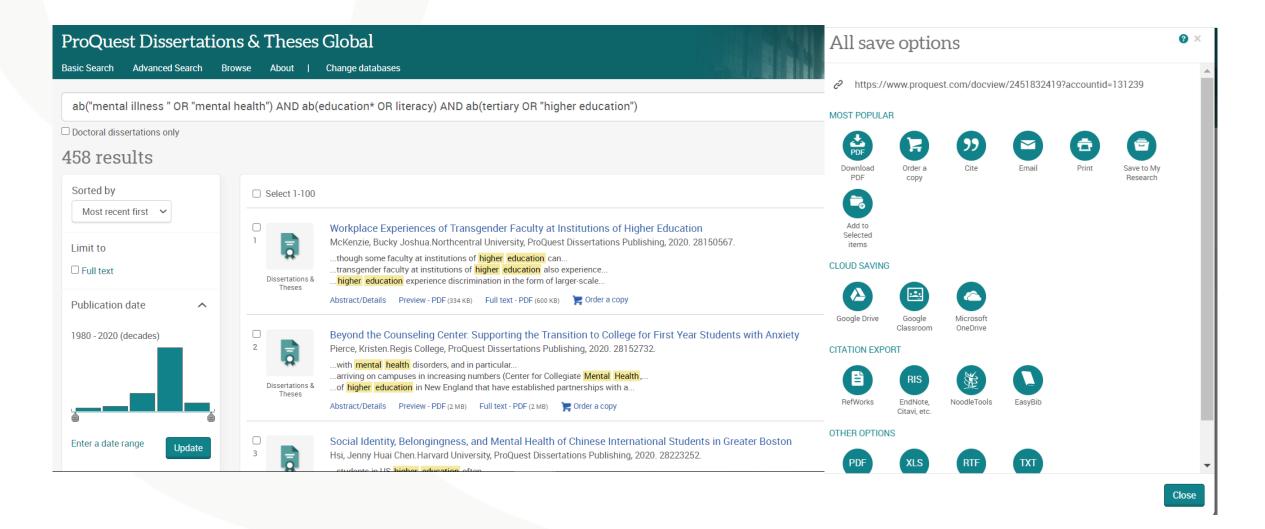




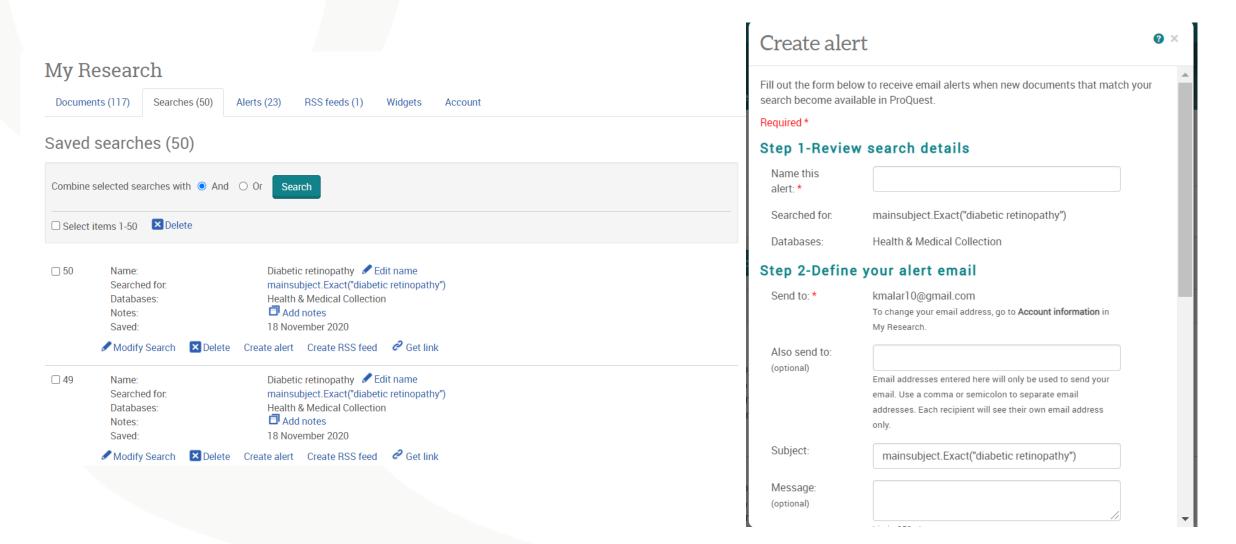
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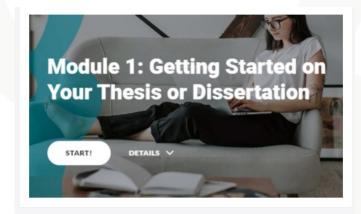
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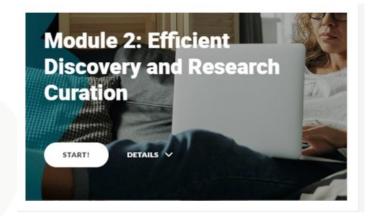
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Module 1: Getting Started on Your Thesis or Dissertation

Learning Aids

- 20 Steps to writing your thesis or dissertation proposal
- Assessment Rubric
- ✓ Spending time evaluating dissertations can help to demystify the writing process and identify what a quality dissertation looks like
- ✓ Recommended to evaluate the ProQuest PQDT
- ✓ Learn how-to do-good research, curate your research to build your literature review



Module 2: Efficient Discovery and Research Curation Learning Aids

• Efficient Discovery and Research Curation

- ✓ Conduct effective and efficient research
- ✓ Perform targeted database search
- ✓ Identify appropriate research strategies



Module 3: Developing a Productive Writing Plan

Learning Aids

- Developing a strategic writing plan to get you to completion
- Getting to flow
- Fill the reservoir
- A plan for revising and editing
- Example writing plan
- ✓ Research and writing are interconnected
- ✓ Planning and schedule are important parts of the writing process
- ✓ Identify appropriate research strategies
- ✓ Don't let obstacles distract you being productive



Session Objectives

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