

Online Information

<http://etd.vt.edu/etd/students/index.html>

- Guidelines for converting a theses or dissertation to Portable Document Format (PDF) for submission to the Graduate School and the Library
<http://etd.vt.edu/etd/submission/style.html>
- Quick list: Steps in the ETD Submission Process
<http://etd.vt.edu/etd/students/steps.html>
- Form for submitting your ETD for approval to the Graduate School
<http://scholar.lib.vt.edu/cgi-bin/etd.cgi>
- Workshops (past and future) where graduate students learn about the ETD process--conversion and submission.
<http://etd.vt.edu/etd/students/workshops.html>

The ETD Project Team will present a workshop for graduate students during each of the 1997 summer sessions.

The following questions, among others, will be addressed:

- What is an ETD?
- Why should I submit one?
- How do I save my thesis as a PDF file?
- How do I connect pictures and video to my ETD?
- How do I fill in the ETD submission form?

The New Media Center in Newman Library also conducts PDF training sessions especially for graduate students. Sign-up for both workshops by contacting the Graduate School at etd@vt.edu

Goals of the VT ETD Project

- Graduate students will learn about electronic publishing and digital libraries, applying that knowledge through research and ETD submissions
- Universities will learn about digital libraries as they collect, catalog, archive, and make ETDs accessible to scholars worldwide
- Universities in the southeast and beyond will learn how to unlock the potential of their intellectual property and productions
- Graduate education will improve through more effective sharing
- Technology and knowledge sharing will speed up as graduate research results become more readily and more completely available

Improve Library Services

scholar.lib.vt.edu/theses/ETDs_Library_Issues.pdf

- more timely access to information
- serve more clients with reduced staff
- improve online catalog access
- have a better stocked digital library

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Using a World Wide Web browser (e.g., Netscape), go to

<http://scholar.lib.vt.edu/theses/>

Browse VT ETD titles and authors

<http://scholar.lib.vt.edu/theses/temp-list.html>

Browse the most recent VT ETDs

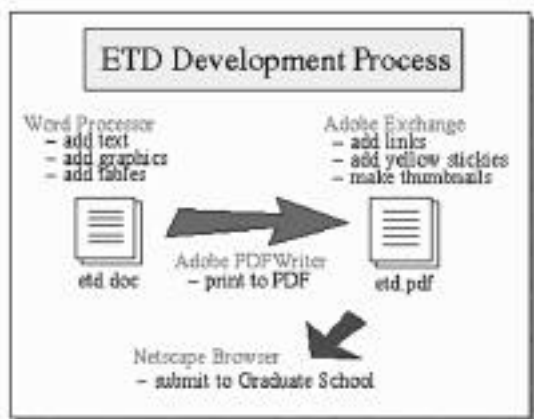
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Search the archive of VTETDs approved by the VT Graduate School since 1995

<http://scholar.lib.vt.edu/theses/etd-form.html>

More information is available at

<http://etd.vt.edu/etd/>



Suggestions for ETD Development
<http://etd.vt.edu/etd/students/suggest.html>

- Add bookmarks
- Add thumbnails
- Add post-it notes
- Add links to the list of figures
- Add links to the list of tables
- Add links to the table of contents
- Link to internal multimedia objects
- Link to external multimedia objects
- Add hyperlinks

Table of Contents

Add "bookmarks" from each item in the table of contents to the appropriate chapters and sections by selecting the "Edit" menu and choose "Bookmarks"

- List Multimedia Objects
 Add "bookmarks" from the list of multimedia objects to image displays
- Multimedia Object References
 Link each figure caption to the corresponding external multimedia object

Multimedia objects include tables, complex equations, graphs, diagrams, digital pictures, digital video, digital audio, virtual reality, and computer software that you have developed

Some Acceptable File Formats for ETDs
<http://etd.vt.edu/etd/students/formats.html>

Images

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|-------------|-------------|
| PDF (.pdf) | GIF (.gif) |
| JPEG (.jpg) | TIFF (.tif) |
| PhotoCD | CGM (.cgm) |

Video

- MPEG (.mpg)
 QuickTime - Apple (.mov)
 Audio Video Interleaved (.avi)

Audio

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|-------------------------|--------------|
| MPEG-2 | D-DA |
| AIF (.aif) | SND (.snd) |
| WAV (.wav) | MIDI (.midi) |
| CD-ROM/XA (A or B or C) | |

Text

- PDF (.pdf) ASCII (.txt)
 SGML according to the document type: "etd.dtd" (.etd)

VT Computer Laboratories
<http://www.cclab.vt.edu>
the equipment and software you need
New Media Center, Newman Library
<http://www.nmc.vt.edu/>

Submission Checklist
<http://etd.vt.edu/etd/students/summary.html>

Some helpful hints: before you submit

- VITA included?
- Create PDF file(s) and review for complete pages, font translation, anomalies
- All internal and external multimedia objects and files are present
- Table of Contents includes a list of each multimedia object type
- Verify that all pages are numbered correctly



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