

Report on Sweden

Theses and dissertations at Swedish universities are accepted, at all universities in Sweden it is mandatory to publish abstracts and in many places even fulltext.

Still, there are problems with doctoral theses – mostly in Science and Medicine – which are based on already published (or under publishing) articles in scientific journals since not all publishers allows post/pre-publishing.

There are 23 universities, colleges and research institutions cooperating around DiVA and there is a common interface available at <http://www.diva-portal.org/>

The other 15 universities & colleges in Sweden has repositories based on DSpace, E-prints or local solution.

There is a national portal for undergraduate theses in fulltext which contains up to date 53037 undergraduate theses in fulltext - <http://uppsok.libris.kb.se/sru/uppsok>

4311 in Arts and humanities, 33485 in Social Sciences and Law, 683 Life Sciences, 1110 Physics, Chemistry, Matematik; 260 in Art disciplines, 8495 in Technology, 3150 in medicine, 2140 Agriculture and Veterinary.

There is no national portal for doctoral theses since these are treated as usual scientific publications and are part of the national library catalogue - <http://libris.kb.se/>

There are up to date 2251 doctoral theses in fulltext in the national library catalogue.

I'd like to conclude that e-theses and dissertations are now well established in Sweden and electronic publishing of ETD's is a part of the students workflow.

However, as mentioned above, the concerns about possibility to include even articles (postprints/preprints) for especially medical theses is still an issue.

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