

## ETD HELP Online

<http://etd.vt.edu>

- **Convert to PDF**  
[etd.vt.edu/howto/index.htm](http://etd.vt.edu/howto/index.htm)
- **Steps to submit an ETD**  
[etd.vt.edu/submit/steps.htm](http://etd.vt.edu/submit/steps.htm)
- **Submission Form**  
get your ETD approved by the Graduate School  
[scholar.lib.vt.edu/cgi-bin/etd.cgi](http://scholar.lib.vt.edu/cgi-bin/etd.cgi)
- **Approval Form**  
print for committee signatures  
[etd.vt.edu/etd/submit/approval.htm](http://etd.vt.edu/etd/submit/approval.htm)
- **Workshops**--learn about converting and submitting ETDs  
[etd.vt.edu/workshop/index.htm](http://etd.vt.edu/workshop/index.htm)

## New Media Center

Newman Library, 2nd floor

<http://www.nmc.vt.edu/local/local.html>

## Training

converting to PDF from word processor

## Knowledgeable staff

who know fonts, formatting, scanning; expertise with digital images

Contact the Graduate School re ETDs  
[etd@vt.edu](mailto:etd@vt.edu)

## Goals of the ETD Project

- **Students learn about electronic publishing and digital libraries**, applying that knowledge through research and ETD submissions
- **Timely technology and knowledge sharing** as graduate research becomes more readily and more completely available
- **Universities unlock the potential of their intellectual property and productions**
- **Universities learn about digital libraries** as they collect, catalog, archive, and make ETDs accessible to scholars worldwide
- **Improve library services**  
Timely access to information  
Serve more clients with fewer staff  
Improve online catalog access  
Better stocked digital library

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# NDLTD

*Networked  
Digital  
Library  
of Theses and Dissertations*

**Unlocking Access to  
Graduate Education**



## VTETDs

*Electronic  
Theses and  
Dissertations*

from University Libraries  
Virginia Tech

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

## Finding ETDs

### North Carolina St. Uni.

Pilot project for selected ETDs

<http://www.lib.ncsu.edu/etd/>

### University of Mich

<http://dns.hti.umich.edu/misc/diss.example/>

### University of Toronto

### York University Libraries

Trial database of ETDs

<http://www.fis.utoronto.ca/etd>

### UVa Bachelors Theses

search SEAS Undergraduate Theses

School of Engineering & Applied Sciences

<http://univac.cs.virginia.edu:3066/>

### University of Waterloo

<http://www.lib.uwaterloo.ca/~uw-etpt/pilot.html>

### VT University Libraries

browse VTETDs

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

search VTETDs

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

search Dissertation Abstracts Online, World Cat, and others

<http://refserver.lib.vt.edu/databases/>

### WVU

<http://www.wvu.edu/~thesis/>

additional information

<http://etd.vt.edu>

## Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations

*NDPTD Early Participants*

- Clemson University
- Concordia University
- Darmstadt University of Technology (Austria)
- Florida Institute of Tech.
- Michigan Tech.
- Naval Postgraduate School
- North Carolina St. U.
- Rhodes University (South Africa)
- Rochester Institute of Tech.
- University of Florida
- University of Georgia
- University of Hawaii, Manoa
- U. of New South Wales
- U. of South Florida
- U. of Tennessee, Knoxville
- U. of Tennessee, Memphis
- University of Toronto and York University Libraries
- University of Virginia
- U. of Wisconsin, Madison
- Vanderbilt University
- Virginia Tech
- West Virginia University

<http://www.ndltd.org/join/status.htm>

## What are ETDs?

### Electronic Thesis & Dissertations

Theses and dissertations provide tangible evidence of students' development as scholars and their ability to discover and effectively communicate research findings.

### CREATIVITY

*Electronic* theses and dissertations enable graduate students to more effectively and creatively present their research. Include colorful graphics (still or moving) and an ETD immediately surpasses the usual visual quality of a paper thesis or dissertation.

### AVAILABILITY

Less expensive to prepare, consuming virtually no shelf space, available through either open or restricted access via the World Wide Web, ETDs are available without regard to time or place of the researcher.

### ACCESSIBILITY

Browse by author and title or use keywords or phrases to search all of Virginia Tech's ETDS. Soon the NDLTD will provide access to ETDs across universities.

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