

Index to Theses

COVERAGE

The Index to Theses covers theses accepted for higher degrees by the universities of Great Britain and Ireland. It covers the years from 1716 up to almost the present. Abstracts are included for more recent records and sometimes an indication of whether a thesis is available online.

STARTING

1. If you are using a PC on campus the url is <http://www.theses.com>. If you are using a PC outside the campus network you will need to connect via our proxy server - look up Index to Theses in Voyager then use the link for off campus access - the username and password are the same as your Athens password.
2. Click on **Search** (on the left of the screen) to go to the Main Search Page

SEARCHING

Basic Searching

Type a word or phrase into the Quick Search box. This can be a topic or an author's name. You can narrow your search by using AND to combine terms
e.g. **Smith AND mice**

This would find records by Smith containing the word mice.

Standard Search

Using the Standard Search option you can select which field to search by clicking the downwards arrow under "Find records where". You can use more than one term and combine them

e.g. **Author** contains **Smith and**
Title contains **mice**

would find records by Smith which contain the word mice in the title.

You can also combine terms using **or** to broaden your search

e.g. **Title** contains **mice or**
Title contains **rats**

would find records with mice or rats in the title.

You can use * to truncate your search

e.g. **comput*** would find computers, computing, computed etc.

DISPLAYING RESULTS

Brief details of results found will appear on your screen. Click on one to see full details for that thesis. A small number will have a **link to full text button** where that thesis is available online. Others will have a **How to obtain full text** button which gives some ideas

where to look for the thesis. If it is not available online we should be able to obtain it via inter-library loan.

PRINTING RESULTS

Use the **Print** button on your Internet browser (at the top of the screen) to print results.

HELP

If you need any help using this database ask for your subject librarian. The librarian at the information desk should be able to find them for you or you will find contact details at:

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