

How to Find Theses at the Sexton Library

Screenshot/Access	Script
LibCast opening title page	This LibCast will introduce you to finding theses at the Sexton Library.
Library screen shot	You can find a thesis using a number of resources that are offered by Dalhousie Libraries. Theses can be found in our Novanet catalogue, the ProQuest database, or through Document Delivery.
Start at the library home page and click the Novanet link (zoom in on link)	To find a thesis in print in the library click the Novanet link from the library main page to open Novanet and begin searching for the document we would like.
Select advanced tab, select format from the drop down menu, and then select location Zoom in for the search	For example, I am looking for a thesis called "Sidewalk cafes and streets for all" by Livingston. First start by selecting the advanced search tab. Select Sexton Library from the location drop down menu. Type Livingston under author and "Sidewalk Cafés and Streets for all" under Title keywords.
Select advanced tab, select format from the drop down menu, and then select location	You can also search for theses by subject area or topic. If I am looking for a civil engineering thesis on bridges, I would first start by selecting the advanced search tab. Select Sexton Library from the location drop down menu. Always type the department name under author. Since we are searching for a civil engineering thesis we would type Dalhousie University dept. of Civil Engineering under author and bridges under all fields.
Show Novanet results screen, click on item and circle the current status of the item	Click on the location to check the availability of the item.
Show theses stacks	Theses in the Sexton Library are arranged by degree and then alphabetically by author last name.
Go to Library home page and click the database link (zoom in on link) and type in Dissertation and Theses. Type in the title and author and select the correct fields from the drop down menu. Point to PDF link.	<p>If you are unable to find a thesis in the Sexton Library we recommend the ProQuest Dissertations and Theses database.</p> <p>To open this database click on the database link from the library home page. Type Theses into the search box. Click on the Dissertations and Theses link to enter the database.</p> <p>Let's find the same thesis that we found through our Novanet search. Select Document Title from the drop down menu and type the title of the thesis. Select author from the second drop down menu and type in the author's last name. Click search and select the "Full-text PDF" under the thesis title to view the record.</p>
Take through Document Delivery page and how to get there Zoom on Doc Dal link	If the item you are interested in is unavailable through the resources we suggest here, we recommend ordering through Document Delivery.
LibCast closing page	This has been a brief introduction to finding theses at the Sexton Library, one of the many resources Dalhousie Libraries provides to help you research and learn effectively. If you need any other assistance, please contact one of our reference desks, or get online assistance with our live help service. You may also want to view some of our other LibCasts on doing library research.