


## Accessing Dissertation Abstracts from Off-Campus

1. Go to Library's Web Page <http://library.georgiasouthern.edu>
2. Click 'Articles/Databases @ GALILEO' tab
3. Click 'D' under 'Browse lists of Databases alphabetically @ GALILEO'
4. Look for 'Dissertation Abstracts (Proquest)'
5. Type in the  password after log in screen appears then click **Log in** button
6. You will be directed to the Dissertation Abstracts Basic Search screen.
7. You are now ready to begin searching for dissertations.
8. Click 'Advanced Search' link
9. You are now ready to begin searching for dissertations

**Note** - Dissertations may be obtained via Interlibrary Loan or Document Delivery free of charge. Some dissertations may have the first 24 pages available and most will contain an abstract when listed in DA. Citations with or without abstracts and the first 24 pages are printable.

For Document Delivery (all classes taken away from Georgia Southern) or Interlibrary Loan (at least one class taken at Georgia Southern) go to <http://webill.lib.georgiasouthern.edu/illiad/logon.html>  
(You'll need to create an account if you've never used ILLIAD before)

Note: You may find dissertations written by students at Georgia Southern via the library catalog (Classic View) (<https://gil.georgiasouthern.edu>) using the Quick Search option or GIL Find (<http://gilfind.georgiasouthern.edu>). This will give you an idea of what has been written by former Georgia Southern students and provide you with an example of how the ETD is suppose to look like keeping in mind there will be some variation within the major chapters. Most ETDs are available online immediately for free downloading while older dissertations may be available for check-out.

A list of electronic theses and dissertations are also available online - <http://tinyurl.com/6jb37je>.

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## Searching for Dissertations in Library Catalog:

Using **GIL Classic**

<https://gil.georgiasouthern.edu>

**Option #1** (Note: This will also include theses written at GSU)

Click Exact Search

In Search Box, type **georgia southern university – dissertations**

Click Radio button next to Subject Heading then Click **Go**

Link for **Georgia Southern University – Dissertations** will appear

Click link and browse through titles

**Option #2**

In the Quick Search Box, type in **etd** then Click **Go**

Results will display then browse through titles

**Option #3**

You may also search ETDs by keyword, student name, title, or chairperson's name using the Keyword Search option

In Search box #1 put in **etd**

In Search box #2 put in keyword, student name, title, or chairperson's name then Click **Go**

Results will display then browse through titles

**Option #4**

You may also search ETDs by degree

In Search box #1 put in **etd**

In Search box #2 put in degree (e.g. MFA or EDD) then Click **Go**

Results will display then browse through titles

## Searching for Dissertations in Library Catalog:

Using **GIL Find**

<http://gilfind.georgiasouthern.edu>

**Option #1**

On Basic Search screen type **etd and** subject

(This will locate electronic theses/dissertations by subject which were written 2004-present and are fulltext online)

**Option #2**

On Basic Search screen type **etd and** chairperson's name

(This will locate electronic theses/dissertations by a particular chair person or major professor which were written 2004-present and are fulltext online)

**Option #3**

On Basic Search screen type **etd and** student name

(This will locate electronic theses/dissertations by a particular graduate student which were written 2004-present and are fulltext online)

**Option #4**

On Basic search screen type **“georgia southern university dissertations” OR “georgia southern college dissertations”**

(This will locate all theses/dissertations in print and online written by Georgia Southern students) **Note:** Be sure to capitalize “OR” when using this search strategy.

**Option #5**

Go to <http://tinyurl.com/6jb37je> to get a list of all electronic theses and dissertations.