

Dissertations...
Empowering Researchers with Cutting-edge Ideas
&
Gaining Visibility for Research Output

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Overview

- PhD Theses / Dissertations - Value vs Availability
- ProQuest Dissertations and Theses (PQDT)
- Submission and Dissemination of Theses
- Impact and benefits

What is a dissertation?

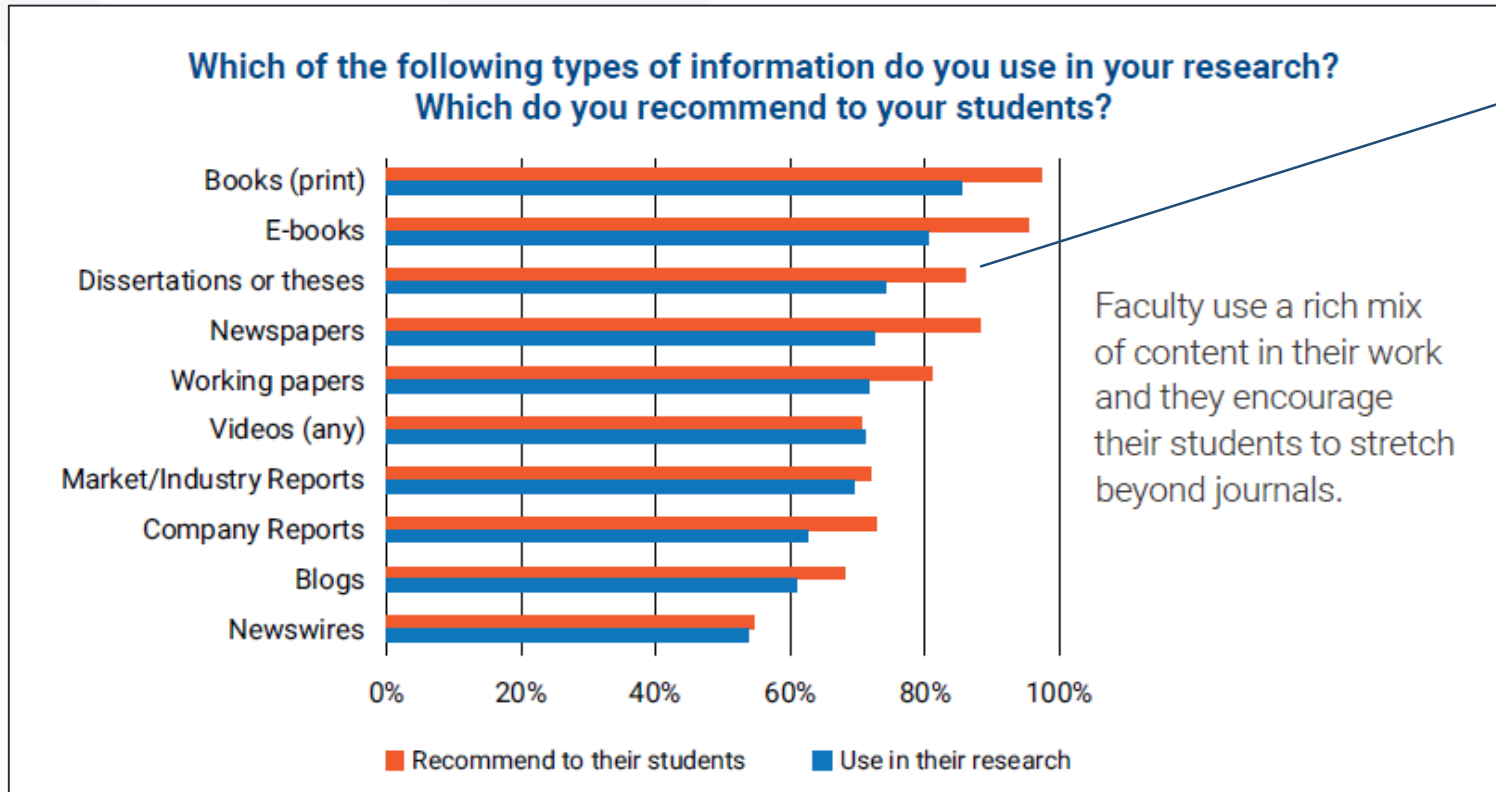
- An extended paper, often hundreds of pages long, that is required in all PhD programs
- A substantial work that
 - a) a student has had to defend and
 - b) multiple scholars have reviewed and declared accurate and reliable
- The culmination of several years of *original* research, which contributes *new knowledge* within an academic discipline



https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Harvard_Class_of_2015_graduates_in_Harvard_Yard.jpg

Dissertations & Theses in Research and Teaching

“There are many types of scholarly content that don’t go through the peer review process, providing researchers with insight into emerging trends (and emerging voices). Popular content types include Dissertations and Theses (used by 73%), working papers (70%) and conference proceedings (69%).”



86% of faculty recommend dissertations for research

73% Using dissertations themselves

86% Recommending them to their students

Why Use Dissertations for Research?

Dissertations are scholarly, reviewed work resulting from comprehensive and original research.

- 1 They test and present new trends and ideas
- 2 They provide more coverage than journal articles — 225 page vs 10-12 pages for journal articles
- 3 They often provide the only research and literature on uncommon topics
- 4 Dissertations include up-to-date literature reviews with extensive bibliographies
- 5 They feature more extensive research data
- 6 They give examples of expected writing style and format
- 7 They uncover recommendations for future research

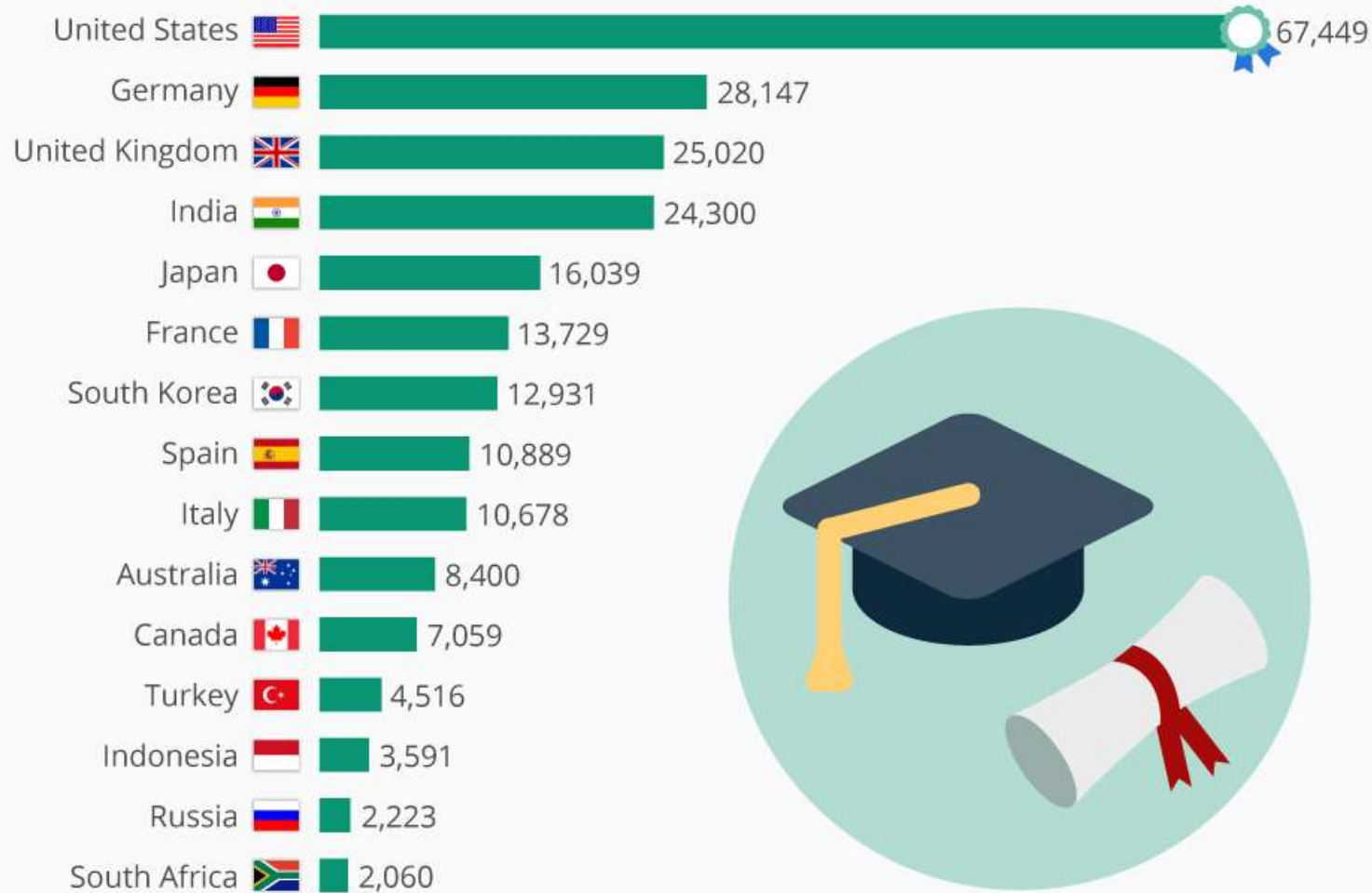
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INTO INTERIOR DESIGN STUDIOS:
A CONSTRUCTIVIST EDUCATIONAL FRAMEWORK

A THESIS
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OF BILKENT UNIVERSITY
IN PARTIAL FULFILLMENT OF THE REQUIREMENTS
FOR THE DEGREE OF
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY
IN ART, DESIGN, AND ARCHITECTURE

By
Mehmedalp Turul
January 2006

Countries With The Most Doctoral Graduates

Number of doctoral graduates (all fields) in 2014

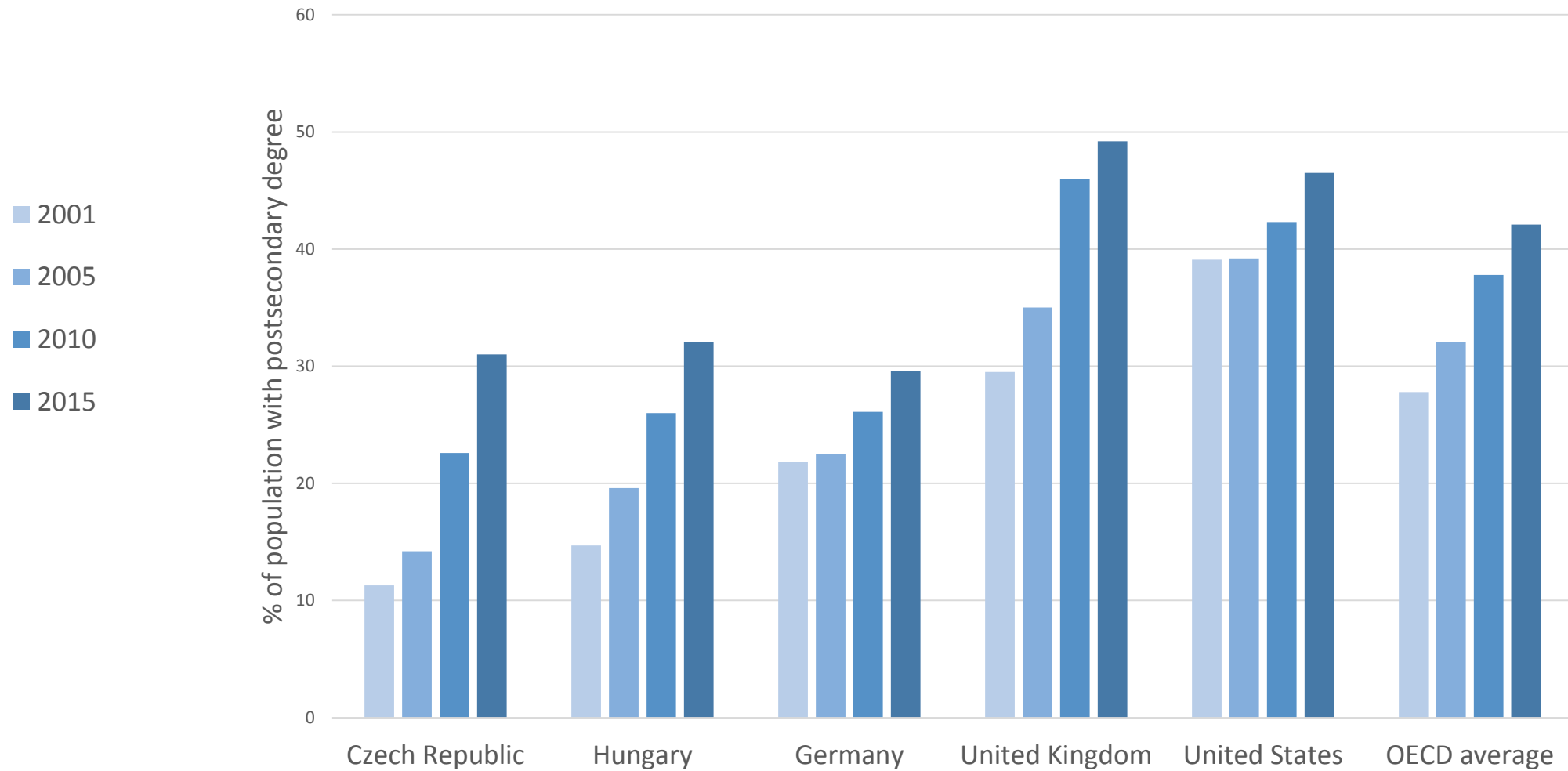


<https://www.statista.com/chart/7272/the-countries-with-the-most-doctoral-graduates/>



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More degrees over time



% of the population 25 to 34 years old who attained any postsecondary degree 2001 through 2015

Source: OECD, National Center for Educational Statistics, USA

https://nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/d16/tables/dt16_603.20.asp

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Centrálny register záverečných a kvalifikačných prác

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Heavy flavour composition measurement and bottom quark charge calibration using di-jet event topology.

Autor: Bártková, Lucia
Školiteľ: Tokár, Stanislav
Škola: Univerzita Komenského v Bratislave FMFI FMFLKJFB
Rok odovzdania: 2013

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- Barbieriková, Zuzana 2
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- Bačiak, Ladislav 2
- Bokor, Jozef 2
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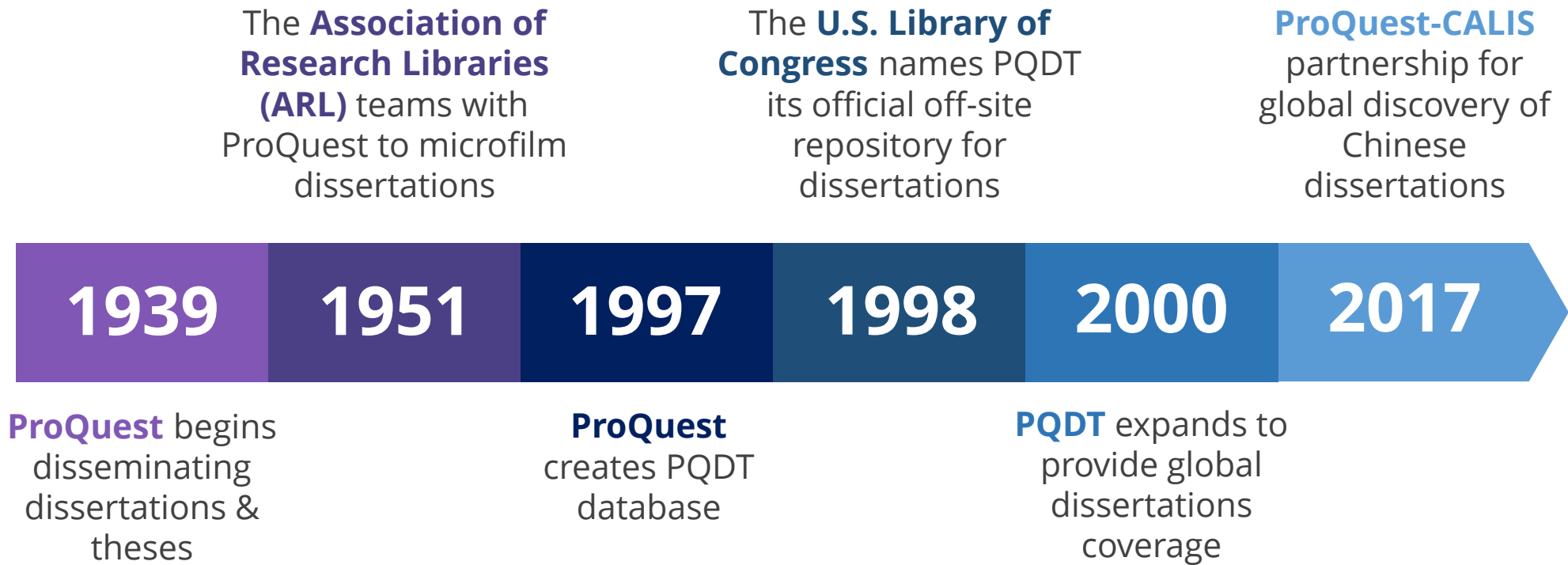
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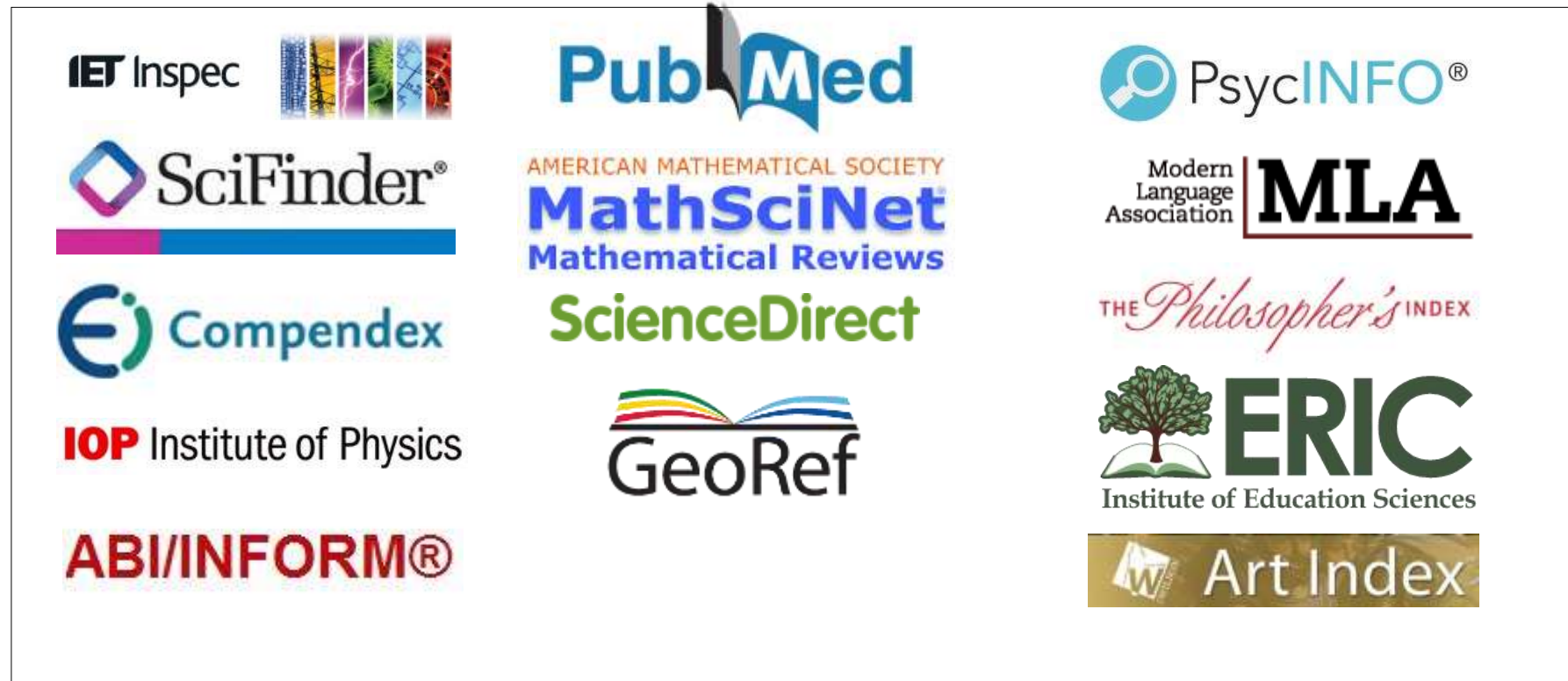
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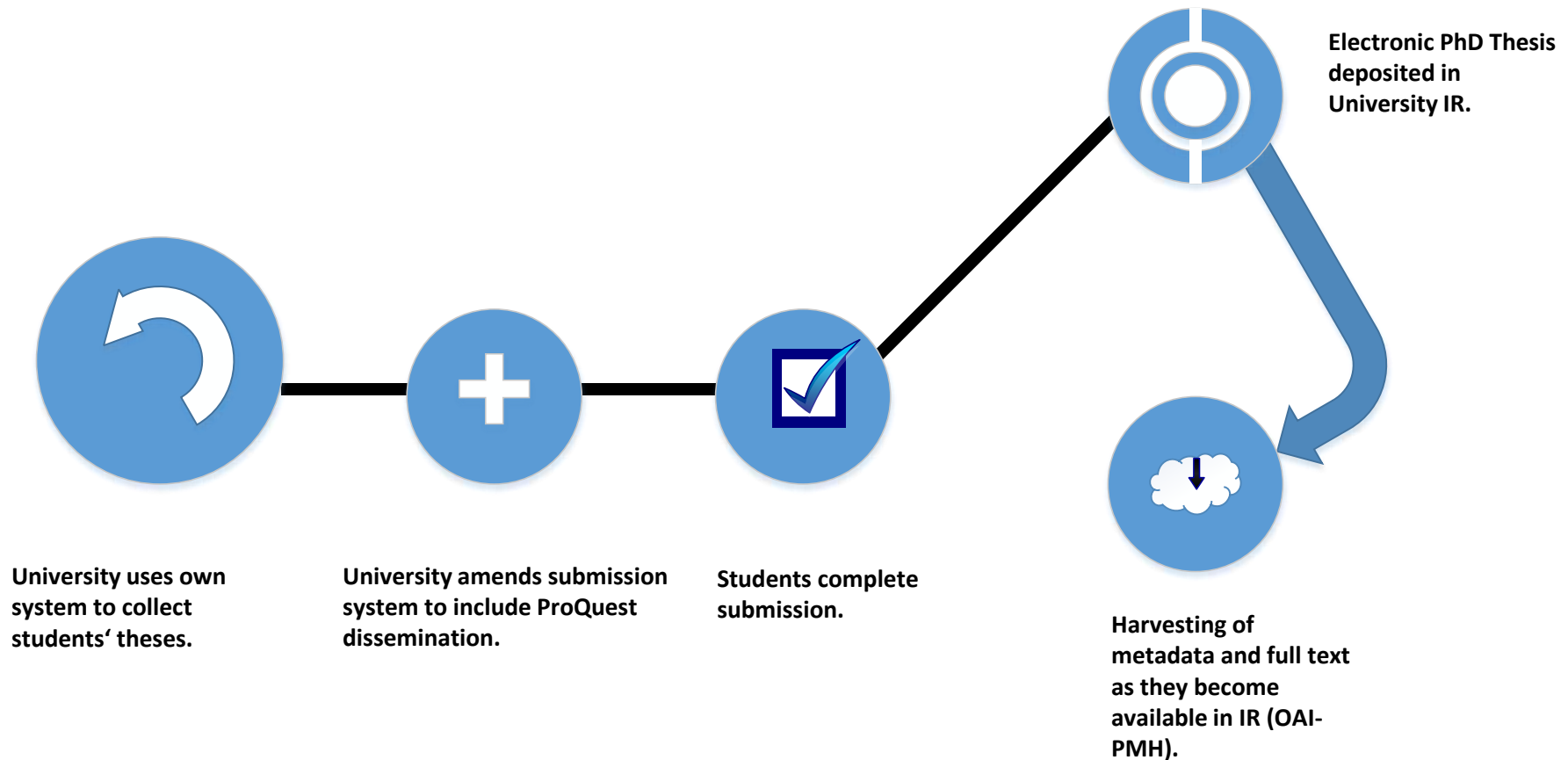


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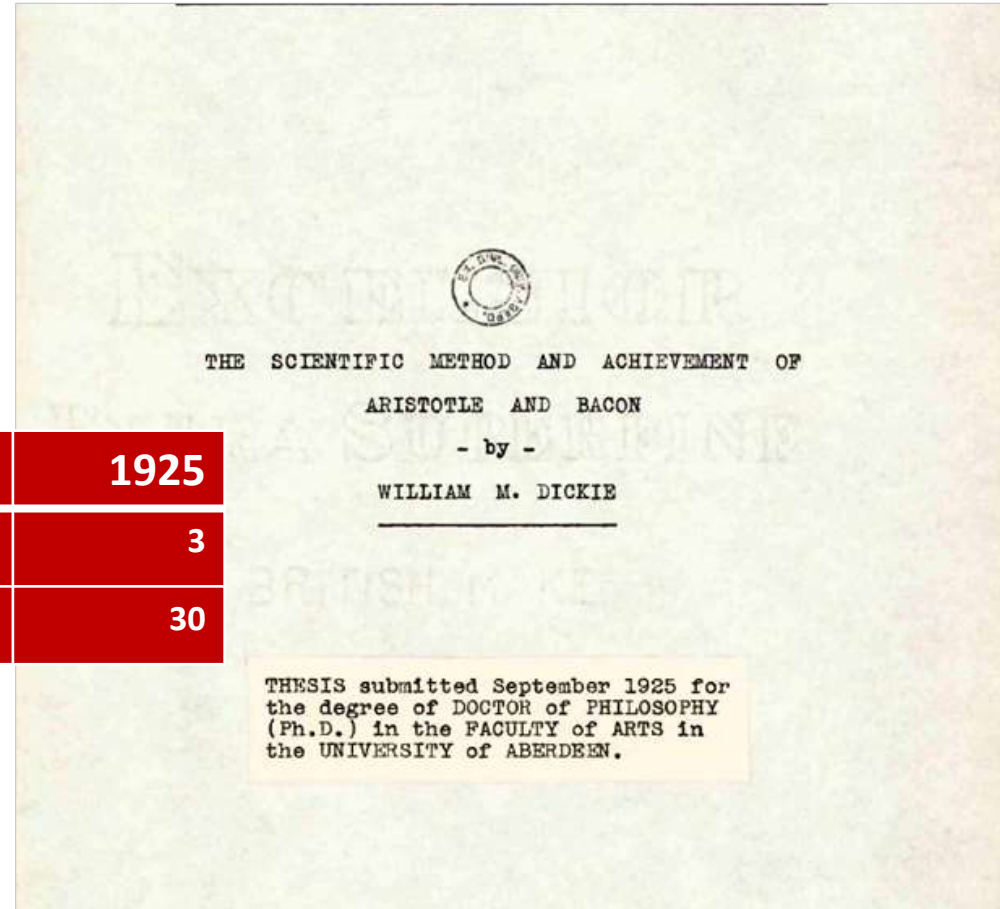


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