Recently, ProQuest Theses & Dissertations has changed to an online-only submission format for dissertations and theses. As part of this change, the NOBTS Libraries are in the process of setting up and making adjustments to our policies and procedures.

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- Students will no longer submit paper copies. **The library will not accept paper copies dropped off or mailed to the library**. Students must submit electronic copies through the ProQuest Electronic Theses & Dissertations website (https://www.etdadmin.com)
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