NDLTD Goals

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- To provide useful and innovative resources, standards, and technology for advancement of ETD programs.
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NDLTD Resources

- ETD Community Forum
- ETD Mentoring Network
- International and Regional ETD Conferences
- ETD Authoring
- Start and Manage ETD and Institutional Repository Programs
- Search and Browse ETDs Worldwide
- NDLTD resources available online at www.ndltd.org

Unlocking access to graduate education & research

Supporting electronic publishing and open access to scholarship in higher education

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**Mission**

The Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations (NDLTD) is an international organization that, through leadership and innovation, promotes the adoption, creation, use, dissemination and preservation of electronic theses and dissertations. The NDLTD encourages and supports the efforts of institutes of higher education and their communities to develop electronic publishing and digital libraries (including repositories), thus enabling them to share knowledge more effectively in order to unlock the potential benefits worldwide.

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**Through the above activities:**

- Institutions of higher education will develop their own ETD programs by adopting the submission, collection and archiving of electronic theses and dissertations to their own and to international digital libraries and repositories
- We will support the Open Access movement
- Institutions of higher education and their communities will become aware of the benefits of ETDs, including:
  - increased speed of sharing research methods and results
  - facilitation of the writing process for students
  - improved distribution of research methods and results through electronic publication and archiving, leading to improved graduate education and scholarship
  - reduced costs of printing, processing and storage

**Member benefits include:**

- Access to international listserv and network
- Access to implementation and harvesting resources
- Discount to annual conferences
- Participation in annual ETD Awards Program
- Union Catalog of ETDs worldwide

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