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Making Dissertations & Theses accessible and discoverable

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- More and more of this content is submitted in digital form (ETDs) and made available on Open Access institutional repositories
- Cover a great variety of research subjects
- Contain great level of detail
- Important also for other PhD students

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- No university-wide standards
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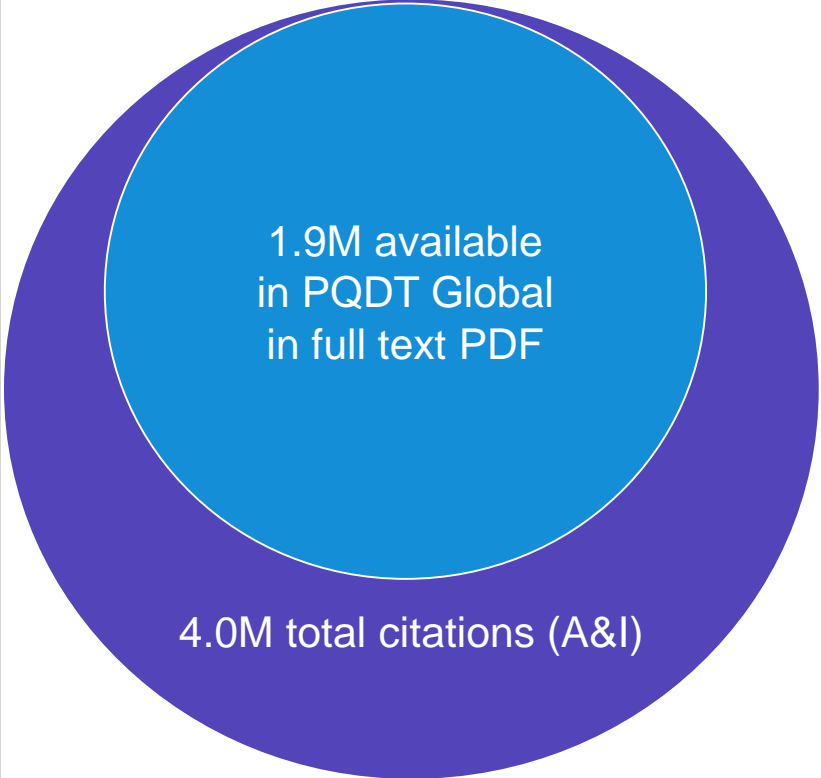The database of record for graduate research (American Research Libraries)

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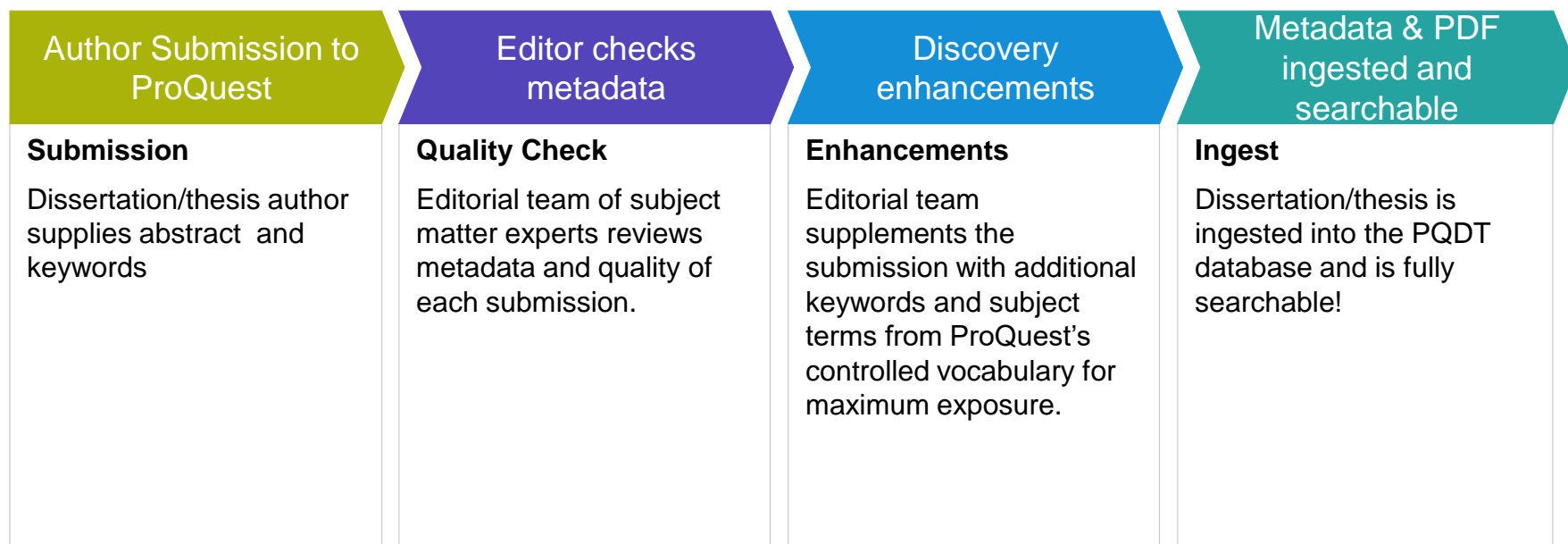
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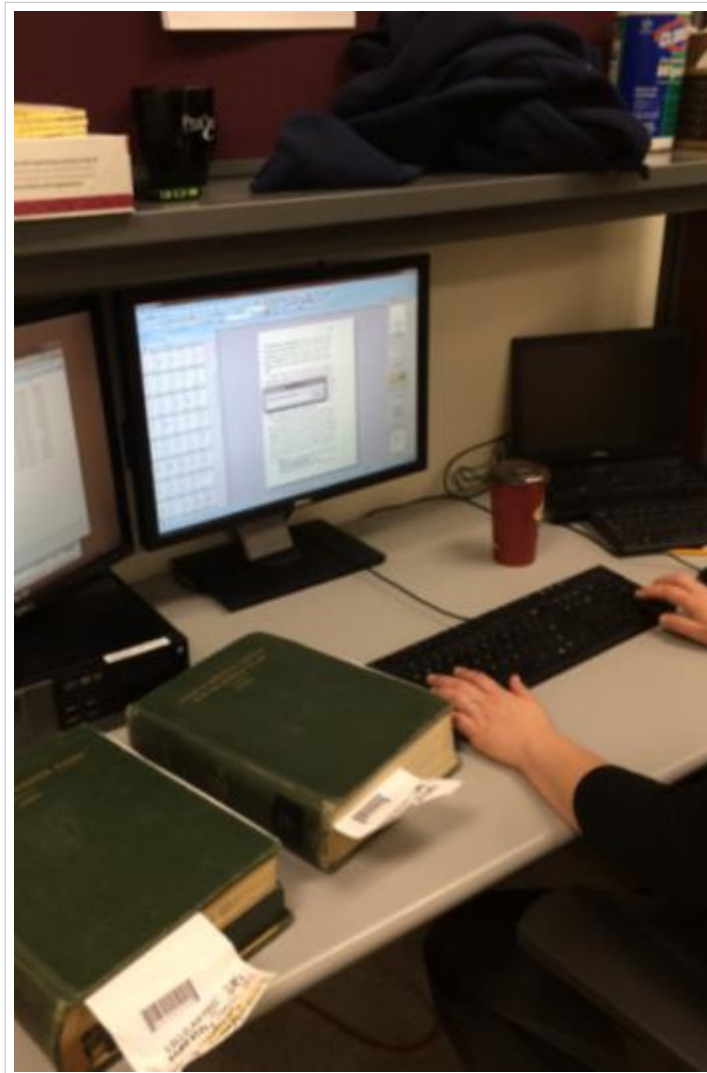
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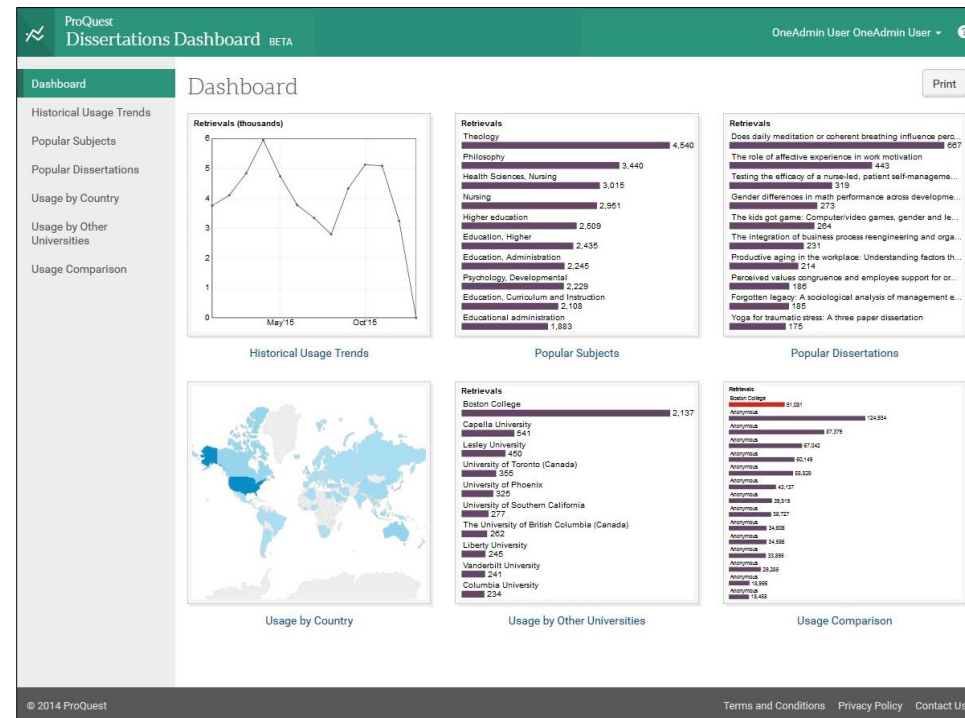
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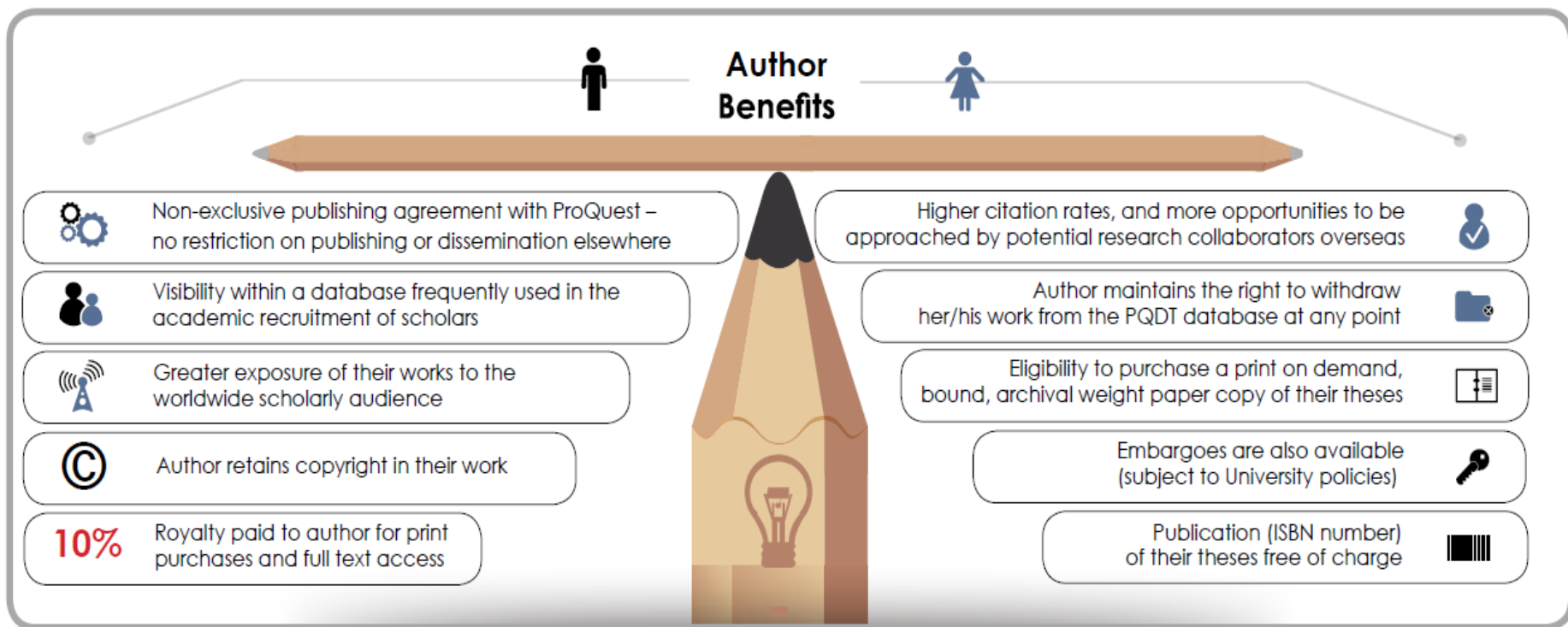London School of Economics

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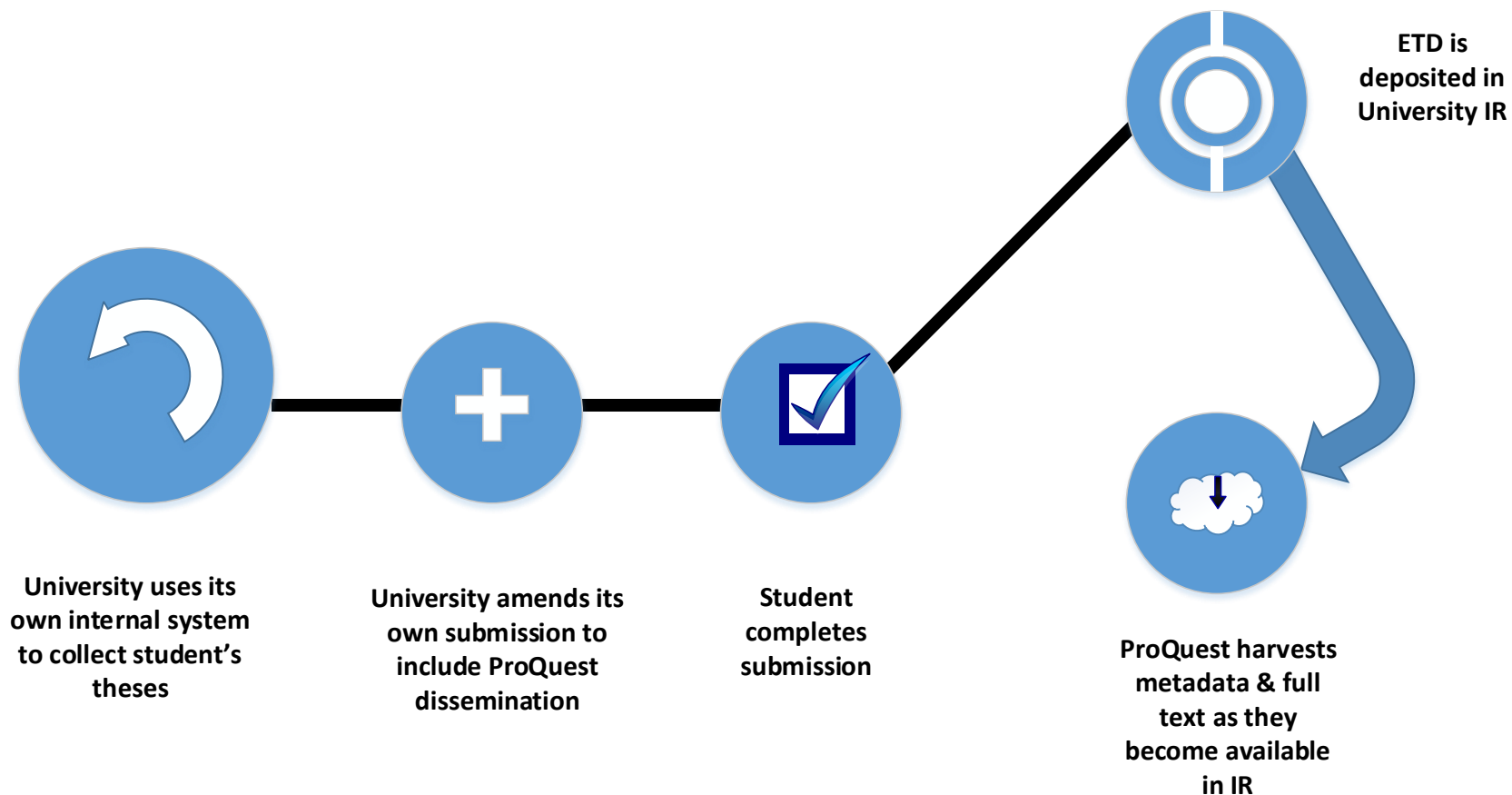
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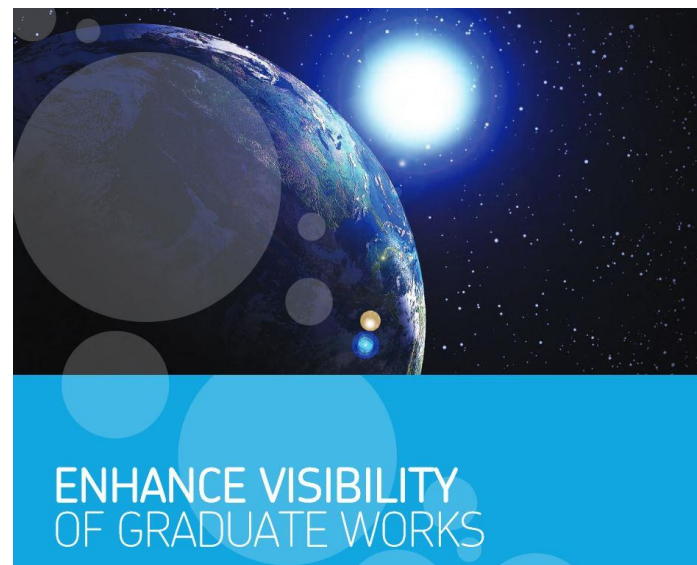
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