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A checklist of theses and dissertations on Bertrand Russell

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OFTEN REPRESENTING PROGRESS towards future research and publication, theses and dissertations on Russell are important pieces of secondary literature in their own right. Consequently this alphabetical checklist makes available to readers of *Russell* a form of study frequently overlooked in the search for secondary material. Quite understandably, approximately ninety percent of the 208 items recorded here are in the area of philosophy and reveal a continuing interest on the part of philosophers in Russell's contributions to that field. The first known dissertation on Russell, for example, was written by Shogoro Washio at Harvard in 1911 and examined the new realism developed by Russell and G. E. Moore. Although the emphasis of this kind of literature is chiefly philosophical, nearly two dozen studies have been completed in areas such as education, literature, political science, history of mathematics, religious studies, and history.

The following sources and reference tools have been consulted: theses and dissertations acquired since 1968 for the Bertrand Russell Archives' supporting library ("RA" indicates that the item is in the Russell Archives); *Dissertation Abstracts International*; *Comprehensive Dissertation Index*; *American Doctoral Dissertations*; *Index to Theses*; *Canadian Theses/Thèses canadiennes*; *Canadiana*; *Retrospective Index to Theses of Great Britain and Ireland, 1716–1950*, Vol. 1; *A Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations Accepted by Indian Universities, 1857–1970*; *Catalogue de thèses de doctorat soutenues devant les universités françaises*; *Deutsche bibliographie Nachschulschriften-verzeichnis*; Bechtle and Riley's *Dissertations in Philosophy Accepted at American Universities, 1861–1975*; the annual lists in *The Review of Metaphysics*; *Masters Abstracts*; checklists compiled by several North American universities; and Boydston and Poulos's

Checklist of Writings about John Dewey, 1887-1973.

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