

## Virginia Henderson International Nursing Library online research repository (“VHL repository” or “the repository”)

### Ten-Step Instruction Guide for Abstract-Only Submissions

You must register with the VHL repository and receive authorization to a specific collection or collections prior to submitting items to the repository. For registration instructions, please see the separate guide posted under the repository’s “Helpful Guides and Info.” tab.

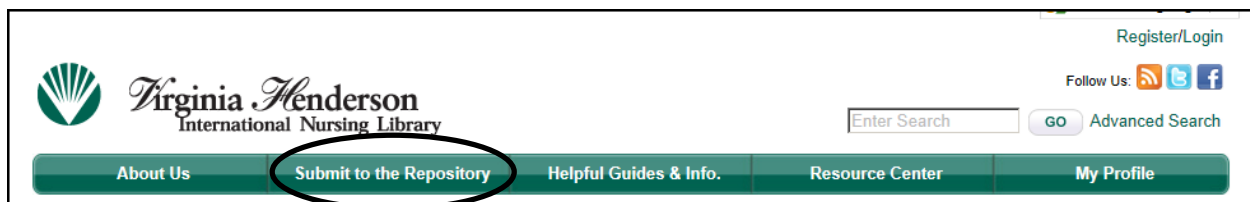
The following steps will lead you through the submission process. Helpful screenshots from an actual submission are provided as additional support. The actual screens may vary slightly depending on collection.

**Step 1** – Gather the general information that you would like to include in your item’s record such as title, keywords, sponsors, abstract text, author contact information, and other pertinent details that you may want to include prior to logging in to the repository and beginning the submission process.

**Step 2** – Go to the VHL repository home page at [www.nursinglibrary.org](http://www.nursinglibrary.org). Click on “**Login**” and sign in to the system.



**Step 3** – Click on the “**Submit to the Repository**” tab located on the menu bar at the top of the VHL repository homepage.



**Step 4** – Choose the appropriate collection. Based on your personal access level and authorization, you may see only one collection. The example below shows access to many collections.

After selecting the appropriate collection, click on **“Next.”**

**Submit: Choose Collection**

Select the collection you wish to submit an item to from the list below, then click "Next". [More Help...](#)

**Collection**

- DNP Program Projects (containing Translational Research Studies)**
  - ASU - Alcorn State University School of Nursing, Doctor of Nursing Practice Projects
  - DSU - Delta State University, Robert E. Smith School of Nursing, Doctor of Nursing Practice
  - MUW - Mississippi University for Women College of Nursing & Speech Language Pathology,
  - UMMC - University of Mississippi Medical Center School of Nursing, Doctorate of Nursing Pr
  - USM - University of Southern Mississippi School of Nursing, Doctor of Nursing Practice Proje
  - UTHSC at Houston - The University of Texas Health Science Center, Doctorate of Nursing P
- Electronic Theses and Dissertations**
  - Diverse Submissions (Abstracts)
  - UMMC - University of Mississippi Medical Center School of Nursing, Dissertations
- Independent Submissions**
  - Diverse Submissions (Research Study Abstracts)
- Other**
  - Presentations (Abstracts)
  - Research Study

Cancel Next >

Note: As you work through the submission process, a bar at the top of each page will highlight the current step. The steps may change depending on the collection you are submitting to, but the progress bar will always be visible.

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Each step will also have buttons at the bottom of the page that allow you to move forward as well as to go back if needed.

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You also have the option to cancel and/or save and exit. This is helpful if you are partially through the submission and find that you are unable to complete it during a single session. Save and exit to finish a submission at a later time. Incomplete submissions are accessed by clicking on the **“My Profile”** tab on the menu bar at the top of the VHL repository home page.

**Step 4** – continued.

When you select the “**Cancel/Save**” option, the following screen appears with three choices: “**Oops, continue submission,**” “**Remove the submission,**” or “**Save it, I’ll work on it later.**”

### Cancel or Save Submission

Do you want the half-finished submission removed, or do you want to keep it so you can carry on working on it later? You can also return to where you were during the submission process if you clicked Cancel by accident.

[Oops, continue submission](#)      [Remove the submission](#)      [Save it, I'll work on it later](#)



**Step 5** – You will be taken to a page that provides important information regarding submitting items to “open access” repositories. You will be asked to indicate that you have read the information and choose to proceed. This is a required step to ensure that you are a well-informed submitter to the VHL repository.

To read the full text of the statement, click on the link. If you agree with the information, check the box and click on “**Next**” to continue the submission process.

### PRE-AUTHORIZATION:

[→ Show Full text of pre-authorization step](#)

By clicking this checkbox, I acknowledge that I consider myself a well-informed author/researcher who is aware of my rights and I am depositing an item in this repository of my own free will to further the nursing research community at large.

[→](#)  If box is not checked, submission cannot continue.

[→ Next >](#)

**Step 6** – Depending on the collection, you may be (1) taken to a pre-populate screen and/or (2) asked a set of initial questions. These questions are designed to simplify the submission process by pre-populating fields and/or limiting the information fields you will be asked to fill in during the item description phase. Fill in all necessary information, if applicable, and click on “Next” to proceed to the following screen.

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### Submit: Describe your Item

There are two methods of submitting items to this repository: you can either enter the item's descriptive information (metadata) manually or pre-populate some of the fields using a PubMed ID or a DOI. You will then be able to add a file or files, or submit the metadata only (you will be able to add a file later). You will be able to review and edit your submission before it is archived. You will also be required to accept a standard license agreement.

NOTE: Some publishers have certain conditions about you self-archiving work they have already published. You can look up their policies on SHERPA's Romeo database.

- If you have a PubMed ID, or a publisher's DOI you can enter it below. The information available from these sources will be used to pre-populate the submission form. You will still be able to update any of these fields or add additional metadata.

PubMed ID

Publisher's DOI

- To manually enter the item metadata click the 'Next>' button below to go straight to the submission form.

Click 'Next >' to continue.

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### Submit: Describe this Item

Please check the boxes next to the statements that apply to this submission. [More Help...](#)

The item has more than one title, e.g. a translated title

The item has been published or publicly distributed before

< Previous Next > Cancel/Save

**Step 7** – During the item description phase, you will be asked to fill in basic information. These information fields may change based on the collection objectives. Some information is required; other information is optional. Please feel free to enter all data you have available and that you wish to share with your fellow nurses and other researchers who will utilize the VHL repository. Answer questions appropriately for your specific item type. The screen shot below is an example of the information you will be asked to provide.

### Submit: Describe your Item

Please enter the requested information about your submission below. ([More Help...](#))

**Fields marked with "\*" are required.**

Select the language of the main content of the item.

Language

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Please indicate the extent of the item to be deposited.

\* Category

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Enter the main title of the item.

\* Title

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Enter the name of the author(s). Primary author first.

* Author <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="button" value="Add More"/>
<i>Last name</i> e.g. <b>Smith</b>	<i>First name(s) + "Jr"</i> e.g. <b>Donald Jr</b>	

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If the primary author is an STTI member please select the appropriate chapter from the list.

\* Author Membership

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**Step 8** – Upon completion of the item description phase, you will be given a chance to review the information that you entered. If you would like to make corrections and/or additions, please click on the “**Edit**” buttons located to the right of each section. You will be taken back through each of the submission steps in order to make the changes. When you are satisfied with your information as entered, click on the “**Next**” button.

### Submit: Verify Submission

Please check your submission below. You may edit your submission by selecting the 'Edit' button. [More Help...](#)

Item has more than one title:	No	<input type="button" value="Edit"/>
Previously published item:	No	
Item consists of more than one file:	No	

Language	None	<input type="button" value="Edit"/>
Category	Abstract	
Title	Sample Abstract Only Submission Process	
Author	Smith, Eva	
Author Membership	Alpha Beta	
Additional Author information	Eva Smith, PhD, RN, FAAN, email: esmith@abc.edu	
Type	Research Study	
Conference year	None	
Conference Name	None	
Conference Host	None	
Conference Location	None	
Keywords	test example	
Abstract	test, please ignore	
Sponsors	None	
Description	None	

**Step 9** – You will be given the opportunity to assign a Creative Commons (CC) License to your work. A CC License allows you to set parameters for what you will or will not allow others to do with your work. Remember, you are **not** assigning copyright over to the VHL repository, and selecting a CC License is **not** required.

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**Step 9** – continued.


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**Step 9** – continued.

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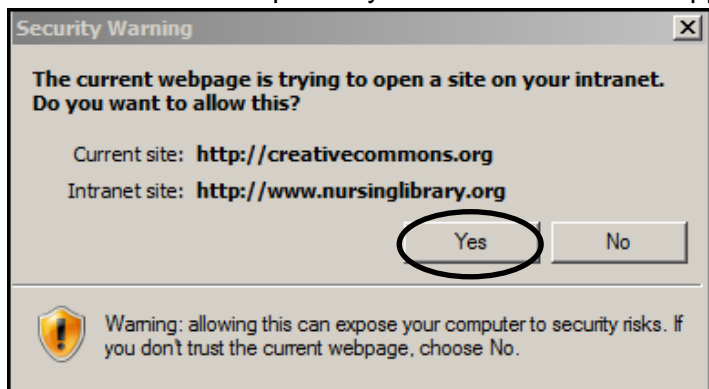
You may now [proceed](#)

**To accept the chosen license and proceed, click here.**

**To decline the chosen license, click here.**

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Depending on your computer security and firewall settings, you may get the following warning after you select the proceed option. Select “**Yes.**” It may take several moments for the page to refresh. Please wait patiently for the next screen to appear.





**Step 10** – As the last step, you need to carefully read through the VHL repository Distribution License to understand the license to which you are agreeing (sample below for informational purposes only) and what you are allowing the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International and the VHL repository to do with your work. This is a separate license from the CC License, and it **is required**. We suggest printing the license for your records.

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By clicking 'I Grant the License' button you are also completing the submission process for this item.

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### Submit: Submission Complete!

Your submission will now go through the collection's review workflow. If there is no workflow, your submission will enter VHL. You will receive e-mail notification as soon as your submission has become a part of the collection, or if for some reason there is a problem with your submission. You can also check on the status of your submission by going to the My Profile page.

[Go to My Profile](#)

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Submit another item to the same collection

After submission, your item will go through the chosen collection's review process. You will receive a notification if your item is rejected, requires revisions, or is accepted. To track the progress of your submission, select the **"My Profile"** tab on the menu bar at the top of the VHL repository home page and scroll down to the **"Status of submissions in workflow"** section.