

## **How to Submit a RILM Abstract for a Completed Dissertation**

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2. Click on “Author Form” to go to the Submissions page.
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8. Fill out the page, choosing “dissertation” for type of document. Click “next.”
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