BACKGROUND: Bibliographies of dissertations and theses may be general in nature, or limited to a particular subject. They may also list those items accepted by a particular institution or the institutions collectively of a particular geographic area. For classification of bibliographies and catalogs of dissertations and theses, see F 585.

1. General rule. Assign to a bibliography of dissertations and/or theses the appropriate combination of the following subject headings:

   6XX X0 $a [subject or name heading] $v Bibliography.
   [Omit this heading if the work is not limited to a specific topic.]

   610 X0 $a [institution] $x Dissertations $v Bibliography.
   [Omit this heading if the work is not limited to a specific institution.]

   650 #0 $a Dissertations, Academic $z [country] $v Bibliography.

2. Geographic subdivision. When subdividing the heading Dissertations, Academic geographically, do not subdivide below the country level even when dealing with individual institutions. Subdivide only by names of countries or larger geographic units. For example, assign to a list of theses of Harvard University the heading Dissertations, Academic–United States–Bibliography.