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The same elements that transformed the political structure of the British colonies in North America, first through revolution and later through a new constitution, were also eager to promote a similar transformation of social relations among Americans. But at the time of the Revolution, there was no widespread consensus on how Americans should act towards one another or an official aristocracy whose manners were expected to set the tone for the larger society. Benjamin Franklin's "Poor Richard's Almanac" sought to fill this void through the means of pithy homilies issued by an "ordinary" American of the day. Examining its text, one finds both significant guidance concerning interpersonal relations in a society which officially had shed the formal class distinctions of the mother country, practical suggestions for new arrivals in the cities, and useful tips for those working the land in a country that was still largely unsettled. The book also served as the original model for a uniquely American literacy form, the self-help book, which in the United States soon took the place of custom and clan as a means of providing the average individual with clues to proper behavior. Through this book, Franklin had an influence on everyday American manners that was every bit as significant as his influence on American scientific and intellectual life.

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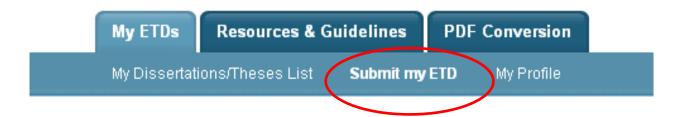
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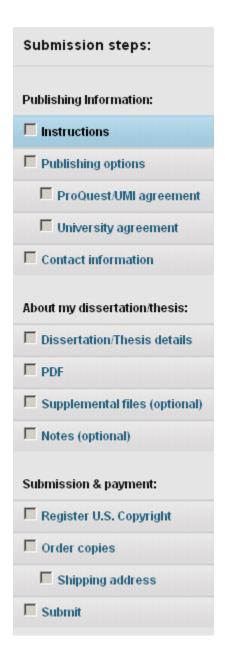
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