Using ProQuest RefWorks to remove duplicates from your literature search results

When performing your literature search across different databases you are likely to find many duplicated results. Rather than go through these manually to identify and remove them you can use Proquest RefWorks to do this for you.

Create one folder where you can export all the references you found from the various databases and other resources you have used for your literature search.

Once all your references are in the folder, to identify and remove duplicates:

> Select the Tools button from the menu at the top of the screen

> Select the Find Duplicates option.

> Select All references in your named folder.

> From the drop down menu select Close Match.

> Select the Find Duplicates button.
The number of duplicates from the folder will be listed in the right column of the screen. (Make a note of this number as you will need it when you come to complete your flow diagram).

You can either remove all duplicates in one go by selecting the Select all box above the references followed by the Delete button.

OR

You can select one duplicate at a time and remove them by selecting the Delete button. Each duplicate will be listed under the original reference.