

LC Classification Outline

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| <p>A GENERAL WORKS AE Encyclopedias AY Yearbooks</p> <p>B PHILOSOPHY, PSYCHOLOGY, RELIGION BF Psychology BL-BX Religion</p> <p>C HISTORY (AUXILIARY SCIENCES) CC Archeology CR Heraldry CT Biography</p> <p>D HISTORY: GENERAL & OLD WORLD DA Great Britain DC France DD Germany DK Russia DP Spain & Portugal DS Asia DT Africa</p> <p>E-F HISTORY: AMERICA</p> <p>G GEOGRAPHY, ANTHROPOLOGY, RECREATION G Geography GN Anthropology GR Folklore GV Sports, Games</p> <p>H SOCIAL SCIENCES HA Statistics HB-HJ Economics HF Commerce HG Finance HM Sociology HQ Family, Marriage, Women HV Social Pathology</p> <p>J POLITICAL SCIENCE JA General Works JC Political Theory JF Constitutional History & Administration JK United States JX International Law</p> | <p>K LAW KD English Law KF United States Law</p> <p>L EDUCATION LA History of Education LB Theory and Practice LD-LG Individual Institutions</p> <p>M MUSIC ML Literature of Music MT Musical Instruction & Study</p> <p>N FINE ARTS NB Sculpture NC Graphic Arts ND Painting NK Decorative Arts</p> <p>P LANGUAGE & LITERATURE PC Romance Languages PD Germanic Languages PE English Language PG Slavic Languages PN Literary History PQ Romance Literatures PR English Literature PS American Literature PT Germanic Literature PZ Juvenile Literature</p> <p>Q SCIENCE QA Mathematics QC Physics QD Chemistry QK Botany QL Zoology</p> <p>R MEDICINE RK Dentistry RT Nursing</p> <p>S AGRICULTURE T TECHNOLOGY U-V MILITARY & NAVAL SCIENCE Z BIBLIOGRAPHY, LIBRARY SCIENCE</p> |
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INTERPRETING AN LC CALL NUMBER

Schurz Library uses the Library of Congress (LC) Classification System. An LC call number consists of a combination of letters and numbers. For example: HF 5359
.C68

The first letter on the first line represents a major subject. The major subject area is made more specific by adding a second letter to the first line. H designates the Social Sciences; HF represents Commerce.

Further subdivisions of the subject are designated by the numbers: HF 5359 is used for Business Administration.

The next line is a combination of a letter and a number preceded by a decimal point. This makes the call number unique to that specific book.

FINDING THE BOOK

Books with LC call numbers are shelved alphabetically by the letter(s) on the first line: A B BD BF BZ C DA E
Then in order by number: E43 E167 F8 GV72 GV688 H57

Next in order by the letter and number on the following line. This number is always read as if it were a decimal:
HV27 HV27 HV27
. B7 .G33 .G4

IUCAT, the computerized catalog, gives the location of each item as well as the call number. Locations include:

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| Government Documents | Ground Floor |
| Microfilm / Microfiche | Ground Floor |
| Hammes Information Commons | First Floor |
| Reserve | First Floor |
| Casaday | Second Floor |
| Periodicals | Second Floor |
| Special Collections | Second Floor |
| Lincoln Room | Third Floor |
| Stacks A-G | Third Floor |
| Stacks H-N | Fourth Floor |
| Stacks P-Z | Fifth Floor |
| Oversize | Fifth Floor |

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