Books in this library are arranged on the shelves according to the Library of Congress Classification System, which separates all knowledge into 21 classes, as outlined below. Each class is identified by a letter of the alphabet, subclasses by combinations of letters, and subtopics within classes by a numerical notation.

A General Works
Encyclopedias, dictionaries, almanacs & directories

B Philosophy-Religion
Philosophy, including BF, B--BJ Psychology
BL--BX Religion

C Auxiliary Science of History
CB History of Civilization
CC Archaeology
CT Biography (General)

D History: General & Old World
(Including geography of individual countries)
D World History, including World Wars
DA-DX Individual countries

E History of the United States
E 186 Colonial History
E 456 Civil War
E 740 20th Century

F The Americas
F 206-220 South, South Atlantic states
F 251-265 North Carolina
F 1021 Latin America

G Geography, Anthropology, etc.
G Geography (general)
GC Oceanography
GE Environmental Sciences
GN Anthropology
GV Recreation, Sports

H Social Sciences
HA Statistics
HB- Economics
HC Business
HD-HF Sociology
HM Social History, Problems,
Social Reform
HN Marriage, Family Women
HQ Criminology, Social Pathology

J Political Science
JA Political Science, General
JK US Government
JS Local Government

K Law
KF US Law
KFN 7401-7999 North Carolina Law

L Education
LB 1139-1547 Early Childhood Education
LB 2300-2430 Higher Education

M Music

N Fine Arts
NA Architecture
NB-NK Sculpture, Drawing, Painting Prints

P Language & Literature
P Philology & Linguistics
PA Classical Language & Literature
PC Romance Languages
PE English Language
PR British Literature
PS American Literature

Q Science
QA Mathematics
QB Astronomy
QC Physics
QD Chemistry
QE Geology
QH-QL Biology
QM-QP Anatomy & Physiology
QR Microbiology

R Medicine & Allied Health

S Agriculture

T Technology
TA-TG Engineering
TH Building Construction
电气/Electronic Engineering & Some
TK Computer Materials
TL Motor Vehicles & Aeronautics
TP Chemical Technology
TR Photography
TX Food, Nutrition, Restaurant & Hospitality

U Military Science

V Naval Science

W Bibliography & Library Science

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2. Items are arranged in alpha-numeric order, with single-letter call numbers shelved ahead of multiple letter call numbers with the same first letter. Thus, H40 comes before HA2.

3. Numbers to the left of the decimal point in LC call numbers are whole numbers. So HF54.8 means HF Fifty-four and eight-tenths but HF548 means HF Five-hundred forty-eight.

4. Numbers to the right of the decimal point in LC call numbers are decimal numbers. Thus, HF5381 .M37 (M Thirty-seven hundredths) comes before HF5381 .M5 (M Five-tenths or Fifty-hundredths).

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