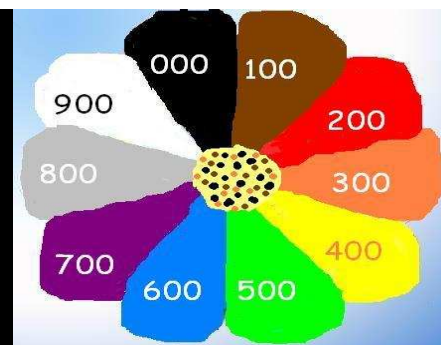


# Dewey Decimal Classification System

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The Information & Learning Commons (ILC) uses the **Dewey Decimal Classification System** to sort the book collection. Books are divided into specific subject areas and sub-topics. The 'classification' or 'call number' of each book is very important in helping you locate the material you are looking for on the shelves. The classification numbers are made up of a main subject code (numerical sequence) and line of other information, e.g.

The classification number **657.15 MAR 2nd ed.** comprises:

**657.15** - The subject area, in this case Managerial Accounting.

**MAR** - Other information - either the first three letters of the Author's name or book Title.

**2nd ed.** - and the number - either of the Edition, except when it is the first or the number of the volume.

Within each subject area the books are shelved numerically and alphabetically according to the second line of their classification number which indicates the specific item on the shelf.

## Outline of the **Dewey Decimal Classification System**

### **000 - GENERALITIES**

**Find...** books about Libraries or News Writing and Journalism. Other main subjects in this area are **Computer Science** and **Information Theory**.

### **100 - PHILOSOPHY & PSYCHOLOGY**

**Explore...** the Ancient, Eastern & Western Philosophy, Logic & Ethics. Dig into the depths of Psychoanalysis and study the different fields of **Psychology**.

### **200 - RELIGION**

**Discover...** more about **Beliefs** and **Mythologies**.

### **300 - SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**Inquire about...** how people work together, relate to each other and reflect their personality through Customs and Folklore. Everything from Sociology, Politics & Education to **Economics, Finance & Law**.

### **400 - LANGUAGE & LINGUISTICS**

**Learn...** how to improve your Reading, Writing and Speaking **English** Language Skills.

### **500 - NATURAL SCIENCES**

**Experiment with...** the world of **Mathematics, Calculus & Statistics**.

### **600 - APPLIED SCIENCES**

**Delve into...** Health Sciences, Engineering & Technology. The ultimate section of **Business Studies**.

### **700 - ARTS & RECREATION**

**Admire...** famous Painters, Composers & Artists. Read about **Films**, Motion Pictures & Actors. Learn more about **Sports & Leisure**.

### **800 - LITERATURE & RHETORIC**

**Enjoy...** reading classic and modern poetry and literature. Know how to improve your Academic, Technical & Report **Writing**.

### **900 - GEOGRAPHY & HISTORY**

**Immerse yourself in...** the ancient world and lost civilizations. Discover the **History of the World**.

### **ENRICH YOURSELF...**

with other sections, such as, **Fiction, Dissertations, Periodicals & AV material**.

You can also use **Reference** books like, guides, encyclopedias, dictionaries and handbooks, if you are **DOING RESEARCH in the ILC**.