

Social Sciences Library, collection classification

The **Social Sciences Library** collection is specialized in thematic areas such as **Law, Economics, Politics, Sociology, Tourism and Prevention and Integral Safety and Security**.

Most of the collection of the Social Sciences Library is freely accessible (except for the material that is in the stack, in the Library of Economic Sciences Carandell, and some electronic resources) and is located in floor 0 and -2. It is sorted according to the **Universal Decimal Classification (UDC)** and the classification of the **American Economic Association** for the monographs of *economic issues*.

On the floor 0 you will find specialized books, reference books and audio-visual materials; on **the floor -2** you will find handbooks, and recommended bibliography. The classifications is the same for the both floor (0 and -2)

Once you locate the document in the *Cercador del Servei de Biblioteques* (www.uab.cat/libraries/), you must record the **topographic** and the location (floor 0, -2, stack, etc...)

The **topographic** is the alphanumeric code that allows sorting of documents on the shelf and identify the subject of the item. In the Social Sciences Library, the topographic mapping is based on **these two different classifications (UDC and AEA)** depending on the subject of the books, and a special **topographic list** for Tourism books.

How books are classified on the shelves:

1.- General Subject (except economy): Universal Decimal Classification (UDC)

This is a classification that gathers knowledge in 10 areas according to the decimal numbering system, i.e., the numbers are considered preceded by 0, and to find a document on the shelves should be borne in mind that the 341 is before 35. This classification is used for all books, **except economy**. The main categories are:

0	General Works	5	Sciences. Exact Sciences and Natural Science
1	Philosophy	6	Applied Sciences. Medicine
2	Religion. Theology	7	Art. Music. Games. Sports
3	Social Sciences	8	Literature
	(4 is empty)	9	Geography. Biographies. History

Generally, the classification of social sciences books (as a subject) is the following and you will find the books organized this way on the shelves:

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3	Social Sciences	34	Law. Jurisprudence
301	Sociology	34(09)	History of Law
305	Gender Studies	34(37)	Roman Law
308	Sociography	340.12	Philosophy of Law
32	Politics	341	International Law
323	Home Affairs	342	Constitutional Law
324	Elections	343	Criminal Law
325	Emigration and Immigration	347	Civil Law
327	International Relations	347.7	Commercial Law
329	Political Parties	347.9	Procedural Law
331	Labour Law	348	Ecclesiastical Law
332	Banking Law	349.6	Environmental Law
333	Agricultural Law	35	Public Administration
335	Socialist Systems	37	Education. Teaching
336	Public Finances. Tax Law	39	Social Anthropology

These numbers may be followed by a major sign that represent connections of matter or relations with other concepts. In these cases, you can address to the library staff for any doubt or consultation.

Legal codes are located on the 0 floor, and they are signed by an “L” on their label.

2.- Economic subjects: American Economic Association (AEA) Classification

It is used for economic monographs, and it is structured in 22 main groups:

1	Object and method of economics	12	Economic fluctuations and economic cycles
2	Economic theory and monetary theory	13	War economy and defence
3	Economical systems	14	Business organization, business management, accounting and marketing
4	History of economical thought	15	Industry, political industry and public services
5	Economic history	16	Agriculture
6	General and contemporary economic conditions	17	Environment and natural resources
7	Mathematical analysis tools, statistics, calculation, computing, and information processing	18	Population
8	National accounting and statistics	19	Labour economics and trade unions
9	Currency, banking, financial institutions, financial futures, stock exchanges and insurance	20	Consumer economy
10	Public finance, VAT, IAE	21	Health economics, economics of education and welfare economics
11	International economics, international trade, economic integration	22	Regional economics, urban and rural studies and housing

The code number is displayed in the Cercador del Servei de Biblioteques (www.uab.cat/libraries/) preceded by an “E” and with two red lines on the outer label of books.

Each one of these 22 thematic categories is then subdivided into further subcategories that are governed by the principle of decimal numbers.

In case that several documents have the same number, you will find them on the shelves arranged in the alphabetical order of the three letters at the end of each topographic code.

3.-Topographic list of Tourism

It is used for tourist monographs and it is structured in 8 groups:

TA	Nutrition	TN	Nutrition, dietetics, analysis and composition of foods
TC	Kitchen, cooking books, cooking art, cooking techniques, food safety and food handling	TP	Pastry, confectionery
TD	Tourist destination books (usually large format books with many photographs and / or sheets that deal with different aspects of a specific place)	TR	Kitchen recipes
TG	Travel guides	TV	Oenology, wine, wine and winemaking, viniculture, viticulture, cava

For **periodical publications** they can be found in the Journal Room (Floor 0) alphabetically sorted by title.

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