Women's Center

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Looking for a particular subject and not sure where to look? Just want to browse the topics of our resources? This guide gives the Library of Congress Catalog Subject denotations by letter with further in-depth subdivisions in areas in which we have several sources.

To use, look through the main subjects in the Table of Contents, then locate the page of the guide which will hopefully have more subdivisions concerning what you are interested in. When you're ready to look at the sections, look for shelf signs indicating call number ranges (sometimes there's a subject indicator, too!) Browse the books and enjoy! If you need more help, any staff member will be more than glad to assist you!

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Women's Center Resource Library SUBJECTS
(Library of Congress Classifications)

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Numbered subdivisions are inclusions within the larger division, but are not appropriated for every resource.

^ Denotes subcategory or numerical division different from or not denoted by the Library of Congress.

A: General Works
- AC – Collections, Series, Collected Works
- AS – Academies and Learned Societies (General)

B: Philosophy, Psychology, Religion
- B – Philosophy (General)
- BF – Psychology, Parapsychology, Occult Sciences
  - 1 – 940 = Psychology
    - (712 – 724.85 = Developmental Psychology)
  - 1001 – 1389 = Parapsychology
  - 1404 – 1999 = Occult Sciences
- BJ – Ethics, Social Usages, Etiquette
- BL – Religions, Mythology, Rationalism
  - 425 – 490 = Religious Doctrines (General)
  - 624 – 627 = Religious Life
  - 700 – 820 = Classical (Etruscan, Greek, Roman)
- BP – Islam, Bahaism, Theosophy
- BR – Christianity
- BS – The Bible
- BT – Doctrinal Theology
- BV – Practical Theology
- BX – Christian Denominations

C: Auxiliary Sciences of History
- CB – History of Civilization
- CT – General Biography
  - 3200 – 3830 = Biography of Women (Collective)

D: History – General & Outside the Americas
- DA – Great Britain
- DC – France
- DS – Asia
  - 101 – 151 = Israel, The Jews, Palestine
  - 350 – 375 = Afghanistan
- DT – Africa
- DU – Oceania, Australia, New Zealand

E: History – United States
- 51 – 73 = Pre-Columbian America, The Indians
- 98 – 99 = Indian Tribes and Cultures
- 184.5 – 185.98 = African-Americans
- 441 – 453 = Slavery in the United States, Antislavery Movements
- 740 – 837.7 = Twentieth Century
  - Includes the administrations of Theodore Roosevelt & Franklin Delano Roosevelt
  - Biographies (General)

F: History – United States Local and America
- 590.6 – 596.3 = The West, Trans-Mississippi Region, Great Plains
- 1201 – 3799 = Latin America, Spanish America

G: Geography, Anthropology, Recreation
- G – General Geography, Atlases, Maps
- GN – Anthropology

49 – 298 = Physical Anthropology
301 – 673 = Cultural Anthropology, Ethnology
GR – Folklore
GT – Manners and Customs (General)
GV – Recreation, Leisure
561 – 1198.995 = Sports
1580-1799 = Dancing

H: Social Sciences
HC – Economic History and Conditions
HD – Economic History and Conditions
28 – 88 = Production
4801 – 8943 = Labor
(6050 – 6305 = Classes of Labor)
HF – Commerce
5001 – 6182 = Business
(5381 – 5386 = Vocational Guidance, Career Development)
(5500 = Women in Business^)
HG – Finance
179 = Personal Finance
4501 – 6051 = Stocks, Investment, Speculation
HM – General Sociology
131 – 134 = Association, Mutuality, Social Groups
251 – 291 = Social Psychology
HN – Social History, Problems, and Reform
HQ – The Family, Marriage, Woman
12 – 449 = Sexual Life
(19 – 30.7 = Sexual Behavior and Attitudes, Sexuality)
(31 – 64 = Sex Instruction and Sexual Ethics)
(71 – 72 = Sexual Deviations [Incest^])
(74 = Bisexuality)
(75 – 76.8 = Homosexuality, Lesbianism)
(77.7 – 77.9 = Transsexualism)
(471 = Erotica, Pornography)
503 – 1064 = The Family, Marriage, Home
(536 = The Family from a Feminist Perspective^)
(755.7 – 759.92 = Parents, Parenthood; including parent and child, husbands, fathers, wives, mothers)
(760 – 767.7 = Family Size, Birth Control, Abortion)
(767.8 – 792.2 = Children, Child Development; including child rearing, child life, play, socialization, children's rights)
(798 – 799^ = Young Men and Women)
(800 = Single People)
(801 = Man-Woman Relationships, Courtship, Dating)
(811 – 960.7 = Divorce)
(1060 – 1064 = Aged, Gerontology [Social Aspects], Retirement)
1075 – 1075.5 = Sex Role
1088 – 1090.7 = Men
1101 – 2030.7 = Women, Feminism
(1402 – 1420 = Women in America, Historical and Social Perspectives^)
(1421 – 1426 = Feminist Ideology and History^)
(1438 = Women in the South and MidWest^)
(1460.5 – 1508 = Hispanic Women^)
(1588 – 1767 = Women Around the World^)
HS – Societies: Secret, Benevolent, etc.
HT – Cities, Communities, Races
HV – Social Service, Welfare, Criminology
1442 – 1448 = Women
1450 – 1493 = Aged
1551 – 3024 = Handicapped (including blind, deaf, mentally

handicapped, and physically handicapped)
5001 – 5720.5 = Alcoholism, Intemperance, Temperance Reform
6001 – 7220.5 = Criminology
(6556 – 6570 = Topics on Rape; including coping and statistics^)
(6592 – 6626 = Stalking and Abuse^)
7231 – 9960 = Criminal Justice Administration
HX – Socialism, Communism, Utopias, Anarchism

J: Political Science
JC – Political Theory, Theory of the State
501 – 607 = Purpose, Functions, and Relations of the State
JF – Political Institutions and Public Administration
JK – Political Institutions and Public Administration: United States
1717 – 2248 = Political Rights, Practical Politics
JV – Colonies and Colonization, Emigration and Immigration, International Migration
JX – International Relations and Law

K: Law
K – Law (General)
KBP^ – Islam
KDC – Scotland
KF – Law of the United States: Federal Law, Common and Collective State Law
156 = Law Dictionaries, Words and Phrases
350 – 370 = History
465 – 485 = Persons: General, Status, Capacity
501 – 553 = Domestic Relations, Family Law
3300 – 3750 = Social Legislation
(3301 – 3580 = Labor Law; including Sexual Harassment^)
4741 – 4783 = Civil and Political Rights and Liberties
Includes Sex Discrimination
9223 – 9329^ = Special Topics in Criminal Law
Includes Law and Rape
KFC – Individual States: Colorado
KFM – Individual States: Minnesota
KFN – Individual States: Nebraska
KFU – Individual States: Utah

L: Education
LA – History of Education
LB – Theory and Practice of Education
1025 – 1631 = Teaching: From Early Childhood and Up^
2300 – 2340 = Higher Education
LC – Special Aspects of Education
189 – 214.53 = Educational Sociology
(212 = Discrimination and Sex Differences in Education^)
1401 – 2572 = Women
~ LGBTQ issues scattered within LC category^
LE – Individual Institutions: American, except United States
LJ – Student Fraternities and Societies in the United States

M: Music
ML – Literature of Music
159 – 3799 = History and Criticism
(1400 – 3275 = Vocal Music)
MLCS^ – Quotations

N: Fine Arts
N – Visual Arts (General)
5300 – 7418 = History of Art
NB – Sculpture
ND – Painting
NE – Print Media

NK – Decorative Arts, Applied Arts, Decoration and Ornament
NX – Arts in General

P: Language and Literature
P – General Linguistics
PA – Classical Languages and Literature
PE – English
Includes dictionaries
PJ – Oriental Languages and Literatures: General Works
PK – Indo-Iranian
PL – Languages and Literatures of Eastern Asia, Africa, Oceania
PN – Literary History and Collections: General
411 – 1009.5 = Literary History
1865 – 1999 = Special Types of Drama
2000 – 3307 = Dramatic Representation, The Theatre
4699 – 5650 = Journalism
6010 – 6790 = Collections of General Literature
(6080 – 6095 = Quotations)
(6099 – 6110 = Poetry)
(6120.15 – 6120.95 = Fiction)
(6147 – 6231 = Wit and Humor, Satire)
(6249 – 6790 = Miscellaneous)
PQ – Romance Literatures
1 – 3999 = French Literature
6001 – 8929 = Spanish Literature
PR – English Literature
^Includes works by Jane Austen, the Bronte sisters, Doris Lessing, Virginia Woolf, Margaret Atwood, Shirley Verel, Beth Brant, Anne Cameron, Jane Rule and Michelle Cliff.
PS – American Literature
^Includes works by Willa Cather, Mignon Good Eberhart, Edna Ferber, Lillian Hellman, Fannie Hurst, Zora Neale Hurston, Carson McCullers, Anais Nin, Kathleen Thompson Norris, Adrienne Rich, May Sarton, Gertrude Stein, Evangeline Walton, Eudora Welty, Sarah Aldridge, Dorothy Allison, Maya Angelou, Rita Mae Brown, Octavia E. Butler, C.J. Cherryh, Sandra Cisneros, Barbara Deming, Leslie Feinberg, Katherine V. Forrest, Marilyn French, Nikki Giovanni, Gail Godwin, Judy Grahn, Rosa Guy, Penny Hayes, Gayl Jones, Erica Jong, June Jordan, Evelyn Kennedy, Barbara Kingsolver, Ursula K. LeGuin, Audrey Lorde, Lee Lynch, Bobbie Ann Mason, Leslie Adrienne Miller, Toni Morrison, Joyce Carol Oates, Flannery O'Connor, Tillie Olsen, Pat Parker, Marge Piercy, Sylvia Plath, Joanna Russ, Pamela Sargent, May Sarton, Susan Fromberg Schaeffer, Ntozake Shange, Ann Allen Shockley, Jane Smiley, Susan Sontag, Nancy Springer, Anne Tyler, Alice Walker, Sandra Martz
PT – Germanic Literature
PZ – Juvenile Belles Lettres (All Languages) [^Youth's Literature]
^Includes works by Collette, Doris Lessing, Mari Sandoz, Eudora Welty, June Arnold, Ursula K. LeGuin, Iris Murdoch, Joyce Carol Oates, Alice Walker

Q: Science
Q – General Science
QA – Mathematics
QD – Chemistry
QH – Natural History
QL – Zoology
750 – 795 = Animal Behavior and Psychology
QP – Physiology
251 – 285 = Reproduction, Physiology of Sex

R: Medicine
- R – Medicine (General)
  - 690 – 697 = Medicine as a Profession, Physicians
- RA – Public Aspects of Medicine
  - 421 – 790.85 = Public Health, Hygiene, Preventative Medicine
    - (643 – 645 = Disease and Public Health)
    - (778^ = Women's Body and Health)
- RC – Internal Medicine, Practice of Medicine
  - 254 – 282 = Neoplasms, Tumors, Oncology (including cancer and carcinogens)
  - 435 – 571 = Psychiatry
    - (475 – 489 = Therapeutics, Psychotherapy)
    - (512 – 571 = Psychopathology)
      - [530 – 552 = Neuroses]
      - [554 – 569.5 = Personality Disorders, Behavior Problems (including sexual problems, drug abuse, suicide, child abuse)]
  - 581 – 607 = Immunologic Diseases, Allergies
  - 627.5 – 632 = Metabolic Diseases
- RD – Surgery
- RG – Gynecology and Obstetrics
  - 121^ = Women's Knowledge
  - 133 – 137.6 = Conception, Artificial Insemination, Contraception
  - 159 – 208 = Functional and Systemic Disorders
    - ^Includes menstruation and menopause
  - 211 – 483 = Abnormalities and Diseases of the Female Genital Organs
  - 525^ – 591 = Pregnancy
  - 600 – 649 = The Embryo and Fetus
  - 651 – 721 = Labor, Parturition
- RJ – Pediatrics
- RM – Therapeutics, Pharmacology

S: Agriculture
- SH – Aquaculture, Fisheries, Angling

T: Technology
- T – General Technology
- TA – General Engineering, General Civil Engineering
- TL – Motor Vehicles, Aeronautics, Astronautics
- TR – Photography
  - 624 – 835 = Applied Photography
- TT – Arts and Crafts, Handicrafts
  - 697 – 927 = Home Arts, Home Crafts (including sewing, embroidery, decorative crafts)
- TX – Home Economics

U: Military Science
- U – Military Science (General)

Z: Library Science and Information Resources
- Z – Books in General
  - 278 – 549 = Bookselling and Publishing
  - 5051 – 7999 – Subject Bibliography
- ZA – Information Resources