

Finding books at the Laurier Library

The Library uses Library of Congress (LC) call numbers, which have letters and numbers.

Books on similar topics are shelved together.

Here is how to find the call number HM1091 .B47

First find the letter - HM

Single letters come before double letters: H, HB, HM

Next find the number - 1091

Numbers are read numerically (smaller numbers are before larger ones): 45, 451, 4532.

Decimals come after, and are read like decimals: .5, .55 come before .6

Other examples in sequence: 76, 76.5, 76.564, 76.7, 76.75

Last, look at the second letter/number - .B47

Find the letter first: .B is before .F.

Then find the number, which is read like a decimal: .B4, .B41, .B452 all come before .B5

Books can be found in call number ranges on floors 4-7 in the Waterloo campus library.

M-MT - 4th floor

A-GV - 5th floor

H-PN - 6th floor

PQ-Z - 7th floor

If you have any questions, ask us at library.wlu.ca/help/askus