

DFG Classification of Scientific Disciplines, Research Areas, Review Boards and Subject Areas (2020-2024)

Subject Area	Review Board	Subject Area	Scientific Discipline
101-01 Prehistory and World Archaeology	101 Ancient Cultures	11 Humanities	1 Humanities and Social Sciences
101-02 Classical Philology			
101-03 Ancient History			
101-04 Classical Archaeology			
101-05 Egyptology and Ancient Near Eastern Studies			
102-01 Medieval History	102 History		
102-02 Early Modern History			
102-03 Modern and Current History			
102-04 History of Science			
103-01 Art History	103 Art History, Music, Theatre and Media Studies		
103-02 Musicology			
103-03 Theatre and Media Studies			
104-01 General and Comparative Linguistics, Typology, Non-European Languages	104 Linguistics		
104-02 Individual Linguistics			
104-03 Historical Linguistics			
104-04 Applied Linguistics, Experimental Linguistics, Computational Linguistics			
105-01 Medieval German Literature	105 Literary Studies		
105-02 Modern German Literature			
105-03 European and American Literature			
105-04 General and Comparative Literature and Cultural Studies			
106-01 Social and Cultural Anthropology and Ethnology	106 Social and Cultural Anthropology, Non-European Cultures, Jewish Studies and Religious Studies		
106-02 Asian Studies			
106-03 African, American and Oceania Studies			
106-04 Islamic Studies, Arabian Studies, Semitic Studies			
106-05 Religious Studies and Jewish Studies			
107-01 Protestant Theology	107 Theology		
107-02 Roman Catholic Theology			
108-01 History of Philosophy	108 Philosophy		
108-02 Theoretical Philosophy			
108-03 Practical Philosophy			
109-01 General Education and History of Education	109 Educational Research		
109-02 General and Domain-Specific Teaching and Learning			
109-03 Education Systems and Educational Institutions			
109-04 Educational Research on Socialisation, Welfare and Professionalism Research			
110-01 General, Cognitive and Mathematical Psychology	110 Psychology		
110-02 Biological Psychology and Cognitive Neuroscience			
110-03 Developmental and Educational Psychology			
110-04 Social Psychology, Industrial and Organisational Psychology			
110-05 Differential, Clinical and Medical Psychology, Methodology			
111-01 Sociological Theory	111 Social Sciences		
111-02 Empirical Social Research			
111-03 Communication Sciences			
111-04 Political Science			
112-01 Economic Theory	112 Economics		
112-02 Economic Policy, Applied Economics			
112-03 Business Administration			
112-04 Statistics and Econometrics			
112-05 Economic and Social History			
113-01 Principles of Law and Jurisprudence	113 Jurisprudence		
113-02 Private Law			
113-03 Public Law			
113-04 Criminal Law			
113-05 Criminology			

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201-01	Biochemistry	201 Basic Research in Biology and Medicine	21 Biology	2 Life Sciences				
201-02	Biophysics							
201-03	Cell Biology							
201-04	Structural Biology							
201-05	General Genetics and Functional Genome Biology							
201-06	Developmental Biology							
201-07	Bioinformatics and Theoretical Biology							
202-01	Evolution and Systematics of Plants and Fungi	202 Plant Sciences	21 Biology		2 Life Sciences			
202-02	Ecology and Biodiversity of Plants and Ecosystems							
202-03	Organismic Interactions, Chemical Ecology and Microbiomes of Plant Systems							
202-04	Plant Physiology							
202-05	Plant Biochemistry and Biophysics							
202-06	Plant Cell and Developmental Biology							
202-07	Plant Genetics							
203-01	Systematics and Morphology (Zoology)	203 Zoology	21 Biology			2 Life Sciences		
203-02	Evolution, Anthropology							
203-03	Ecology and Biodiversity of Animals and Ecosystems, Organismic Interactions							
203-04	Sensory and Behavioural Biology							
203-05	Animal Physiology and Biochemistry							
203-06	Evolutionary Cell and Developmental Biology (Zoology)							
204-01	Metabolism, Biochemistry and Genetics of Microorganisms	204 Microbiology, Virology and Immunology	21 Biology				2 Life Sciences	
204-02	Microbial Ecology and Applied Microbiology							
204-03	Medical Microbiology and Mycology, Hygiene, Molecular Infection Biology							
204-04	Virology							
204-05	Immunology							
204-06	Parasitology and Biology of Tropical Infectious Disease Pathogens							
205-01	Epidemiology and Medical Biometry/Statistics	205 Medicine	22 Medicine					2 Life Sciences
205-02	Public Health, Health Services Research, Social Medicine							
205-03	Human Genetics							
205-04	Physiology							
205-05	Nutritional Sciences							
205-06	Pathology							
205-07	Medical Informatics and Medical Bioinformatics							
205-08	Pharmacy							
205-09	Pharmacology							
205-10	Toxicology, Occupational Medicine, Clinical Chemistry							
205-11	Anaesthesiology							
205-12	Cardiology, Angiology							
205-13	Pneumology, Thoracic Surgery							
205-14	Hematology, Oncology							
205-15	Gastroenterology							
205-16	Nephrology							
205-17	Endocrinology, Diabetology, Metabolism							
205-18	Rheumatology							
205-19	Dermatology							
205-20	Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine							
205-21	Gynaecology and Obstetrics							
205-22	Clinical Immunology and Allergology							
205-23	Reproductive Medicine, Urology							
205-24	Biogerontology and Geriatric Medicine							
205-25	General and Visceral Surgery							
205-26	Cardiac and Vascular Surgery							
205-27	Orthopaedics, Traumatology, Reconstructive Surgery							
205-28	Dentistry, Oral Surgery							
205-29	Otolaryngology							
205-30	Radiology, Nuclear Medicine, Radiotherapy, Radiobiology							
205-31	Clinical Infectiology and Tropical Medicine							
205-32	Medical Physics, Biomedical Technology							
205-33	Anatomy							
206-01	Developmental Neurobiology	206 Neurosciences	21 Biology	2 Life Sciences				
206-02	Molecular Biology and Physiology of Neurons and Glial Cells							
206-03	Experimental and Theoretical Network Neuroscience							
206-04	Cognitive, Systems and Behavioural Neurobiology							
206-05	Experimental Models for the Understanding of Nervous System Diseases							
206-06	Molecular and Cellular Neurology and Neuropathology							
206-07	Clinical Neurosciences; Neurosurgery und Neuroradiology							
206-08	Human Cognitive and Systems Neuroscience							
206-09	Biological Psychiatry							
206-10	Clinical Psychiatry, Psychotherapy, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry							
206-11	Ophthalmology							
207-01	Soil Sciences	207 Agriculture, Forestry and Veterinary Medicine	23 Agriculture, Forestry and Veterinary Medicine		2 Life Sciences			
207-02	Plant Breeding and Plant Pathology							
207-03	Plant Cultivation, Plant Nutrition, Agricultural Technology							
207-04	Ecology of Land Use							
207-05	Agricultural Economics, Agricultural Policy, Agricultural Sociology							
207-06	Forestry							
207-07	Animal Breeding, Animal Nutrition, Animal Husbandry							
207-08	Veterinary Medical Science							

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321-01	Inorganic Molecular Chemistry - Synthesis and Characterisation	321	31 Chemistry	3 Natural Sciences
321-02	Organic Molecular Chemistry - Synthesis and Characterisation	Molecular Chemistry		
322-01	Solid State and Surface Chemistry, Material Synthesis	322		
322-02	Physical Chemistry of Solids and Surfaces, Material Characterisation	Chemical Solid State and Surface Research		
323-01	Physical Chemistry of Molecules, Liquids and Interfaces, Biophysical Chemistry	323		
324-01	Analytical Chemistry	Physical Chemistry		
325-01	Biological and Biomimetic Chemistry	324		
325-02	Food Chemistry	Analytical Chemistry		
326-01	Preparatory and Physical Chemistry of Polymers	325		
326-02	Experimental and Theoretical Physics of Polymers	Biological Chemistry and Food Chemistry		
326-03	Polymer Materials	326	32 Physics	3 Natural Sciences
327-01	Electron Structure, Dynamics, Simulation	Polymer Research		
327-02	Molecules, Materials, Surfaces	327		
307-01	Experimental Condensed Matter Physics	Theoretical Chemistry		
307-02	Theoretical Condensed Matter Physics	307		
308-01	Optics, Quantum Optics, Atoms, Molecules, Plasmas	Condensed Matter Physics		
309-01	Nuclear and Elementary Particle Physics, Quantum Mechanics, Relativity, Fields	308		
310-01	Statistical Physics, Soft Matter, Biological Physics, Nonlinear Dynamics	Optics, Quantum Optics and Physics of Atoms, Molecules and Plasmas		
311-01	Astrophysics and Astronomy	309		
312-01	Mathematics	Particles, Nuclei and Fields		
313-01	Atmospheric Science	310		
313-02	Oceanography	Statistical Physics, Soft Matter, Biological Physics, Nonlinear Dynamics	34 Geosciences	3 Natural Sciences
314-01	Geology and Palaeontology	311		
315-01	Geophysics	Astrophysics and Astronomy		
315-02	Geodesy, Photogrammetry, Remote Sensing, Geoinformatics, Cartography	312		
316-01	Mineralogy, Petrology and Geochemistry	Mathematics		
317-01	Physical Geography	313		
317-02	Human Geography	Atmospheric Science, Oceanography and Climate Research		
318-01	Hydrogeology, Hydrology, Limnology, Urban Water Management, Water Chemistry, Integrated Water Resources Management	314		
		Geology and Palaeontology	34 Geosciences	3 Natural Sciences
		315		
		Geophysics and Geodesy	34 Geosciences	3 Natural Sciences
		316		
		Mineralogy, Petrology and Geochemistry	34 Geosciences	3 Natural Sciences
		317		
		Geography	34 Geosciences	3 Natural Sciences
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		Water Research	34 Geosciences	3 Natural Sciences

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401-01 Metal-Cutting and Abrasive Manufacturing Engineering 401-02 Primary Shaping and Reshaping Technology, Additive Manufacturing 401-03 Joining and Separation Technology 401-04 Plastics Engineering 401-05 Production Systems, Operations Management, Quality Management and Factory Planning 401-06 Production Automation	401 Production Technology	41 Mechanical and Industrial Engineering	4 Engineering Sciences
402-01 Engineering Design, Machine Elements, Product Development 402-02 Mechanics 402-03 Lightweight Construction, Textile Technology 402-04 Acoustics	402 Mechanics and Constructive Mechanical Engineering		
403-01 Chemical and Thermal Process Engineering 403-02 Technical Chemistry 403-03 Mechanical Process Engineering 403-04 Biological Process Engineering	403 Process Engineering, Technical Chemistry	42 Thermal Engineering/ Process Engineering	
404-01 Energy Process Engineering 404-02 Technical Thermodynamics 404-03 Fluid Mechanics 404-04 Hydraulic and Turbo Engines and Piston Engines	404 Fluid Mechanics, Technical Thermodynamics and Thermal Energy Engineering		
405-01 Metallurgical, Thermal and Thermomechanical Treatment of Materials 405-02 Materials in Sintering Processes and Generative Manufacturing Processes 405-03 Coating and Surface Technology 405-04 Mechanical Properties of Metallic Materials and their Microstructural Origins	405 Materials Engineering	43 Materials Science and Engineering	
405-05 Glass, Ceramics and Derived Composites 405-06 Polymeric and Biogenic Materials and Derived Composites			
406-01 Synthesis and Properties of Functional Materials 406-02 Biomaterials 406-03 Thermodynamics and Kinetics as well as Properties of Phases and Microstructure of Materials 406-04 Computer-Aided Design of Materials and Simulation of Materials Behaviour from Atomic to Microscopic Scale	406 Materials Science		
407-01 Automation, Control Systems, Robotics, Mechatronics, Cyber Physical Systems 407-02 Measurement Systems 407-03 Microsystems 407-04 Traffic and Transport Systems, Logistics, Intelligent and Automated Traffic 407-05 Human Factors, Ergonomics, Human-Machine Systems 407-06 Biomedical Systems Technology	407 Systems Engineering	44 Computer Science, Systems and Electrical Engineering	
408-01 Electronic Semiconductors, Components, Circuits, Systems 408-02 Communications, High-Frequency and Network Technology, Theoretical Electrical Engineering 408-03 Electrical Energy Generation, Distribution, Application	408 Electrical Engineering and Information Technology		
409-01 Theoretical Computer Science 409-02 Software Engineering and Programming Languages 409-03 Security and Dependability 409-04 Operating, Communication, Database and Distributed Systems 409-05 Interactive and Intelligent Systems, Image and Language Processing, Computer Graphics and Visualisation 409-06 Information Systems, Process and Knowledge Management 409-07 Computer Architecture and Embedded Systems 409-08 Massively Parallel and Data-Intensive Systems	409 Computer Science		
410-01 Architecture, Building and Construction History, Construction Research, Sustainable Building Technology 410-02 Urbanism, Spatial Planning, Transportation and Infrastructure Planning, Landscape Planning 410-03 Construction Material Sciences, Chemistry, Building Physics 410-04 Structural Engineering, Building Informatics and Construction Operation 410-05 Applied Mechanics, Statics and Dynamics 410-06 Geotechnics, Hydraulic Engineering	410 Construction Engineering and Architecture		45 Construction Engineering and Architecture