

History of Judaism in (K)BM and LCSH: Proposed Changes

Development of the KBM schedule for Jewish law, based in part on the BM schedule for Judaism, provided an opportunity to undertake a systematic review of significant areas of BM. The existing periodization for the history of Judaism in the range BM165-BM195 (corresponding to KBM165-KBM195) poses several challenges: 1) the lack of coordination with subject headings (including classification arrangement by period which is more refined than the period breakdown of existing subject headings); 2) instances of overlapping periods (both within the classification scheme and within the subject heading structure); 3) the use of periodization that does not rely, in some cases, on broadly recognized benchmark dates; and 4) the use of caption and heading terminology which may be perceived as ambiguous, antiquated, and/or reflective of certain biases.

A proposal has been made to revise the periodization for the history of Judaism in the BM schedule, accompanied by corresponding changes to relevant subject headings. While its approval would necessitate bibliographic file maintenance efforts, this proposal seeks to rationalize the class numbers and subject headings with as minimal disruption to existing collections as possible. The illustrations **Judaism–History & Period Subdivisions in LCSH; History of Judaism in (K)BM; and History of Judaism: Proposed Revisions** provide side-by-side comparisons of the current and proposed classification numbers and the current and proposed subject headings relating to this area.

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JUDAISM–HISTORY & PERIOD SUBDIVISIONS IN LCSH

CURRENT

Judaism--History--To 70 A.D.

053 BM165

Here are entered works dealing with Judaism on a developmental or evolutionary basis from its beginnings to the downfall of the Jewish state in 70 A.D.

Judaism--History--Post-exilic period, 586 B.C.-210 A.D

053 BM176

Here are entered works dealing with the history of Judaism from the exile to the downfall of the Jewish state and the earliest redaction of Jewish law in the Mishnah.

Judaism--History--Talmudic period, 10-425

053 BM177

Here are entered works dealing with the history of Judaism during the redaction of the Jewish law, approximately the first five centuries of the Christian Era.

Judaism--History--Medieval and early modern period, 425-1789

no 053

Here are entered works dealing with the history of Judaism from the completion of the Talmud in the fifth century of the Christian era to the time of the emancipation of the Jews in the eighteenth century.

Judaism--History--Modern period, 1750-

053 BM195

Here are entered works dealing with the history of Judaism from the time of the emancipation of the Jews in the eighteenth century of the Christian era down to present times.

PROPOSED

Judaism--History--To 70 A.D.

053 BM165

Here are entered works on the history of Judaism from its beginnings to the destruction of the 2nd Temple

Judaism--History--586 B.C.-70 A.D

053 BM176

Here are entered works on the history of Judaism from the Babylonian exile to the destruction of the 2nd Temple

Judaism--History--70-500

053 BM177

Here are entered works on the history of Judaism during the redaction of the Talmud, approximately the first five centuries of the Common Era.

Judaism--History--500-1500

053 BM180

Here are entered works on the history of Judaism from the completion of the Talmud to the beginning of the modern period.

Judaism--History--1500-

053: BM190

Judaism--History--1500-1800

053 BM193

Judaism--History--1800-1948

053 BM195

Here are entered works on the history of Judaism...at the beginning of 19th century to the establishment of the State of Israel.

Judaism--History--1948-

HISTORY OF JUDAISM IN (K)BM

CURRENT		PROPOSED
History		History
Cf. DS 116+ History of the Jews		Cf. DS 116+ History of the Jews
(150-160) General works....		(150-160) General works....
By period		By period
Ancient		To 70 AD/CE
To 70 AD/CE	165	General works
165 General works	170	General special
170 General special	173	Addresses, essays, lectures
173 Addresses, essays,	175	Individual sects or parties...
lectures	176	586 BCE.-70 CE
175 Individual sects or		Including Hellenistic period
parties...	177	70-500
176 Last centuries before the		Includes the period of the redaction
Christian Era		of the Talmud. For works on the
Including period...		development of Talmud, see 501.15-
		501.9
177 Judaism in the early centuries of	(178)	(Cancel)
Christian Era		500-1500
Including influence of	180	General works
Philo...	182	Ashkenazim. Sephardim
178 Other		Including works on the development
Medieval		and on the relations between the
180 General works		two...
182 Ashkenazim. Sephardim		cf. DS134, DS135.S7-8, DS135.E8-9
185-185.4 Karaites	185-185.4	Karaites
Modern		1500-
190 General	190	General
By period		By period
193 16 th - 18 th cent.	193	1500-1800
194 Haskalah	194	Haskalah
195 19 th -20th centuries	195	1800-1948
	195.2	1948- (proposed)
196 Special movements	196	Special movements

**HISTORY OF JUDAISM: PROPOSED REVISIONS
(K)BM/LCSH CORRELATION**

History		Judaism--History--To 70 A.D.
Cf. DS 116+ History of the Jews		053 BM165
(150-160) General works....		Here are entered works on the history of Judaism from its beginnings to the destruction of the 2 nd Temple
By period		
To 70 AD/CE		
165	General works	
170	General special	Judaism--History--586 B.C.-70 A.D
173	Addresses, essays, lectures	053 BM176
175	Individual sects or parties...	Here are entered works on the history of Judaism from the Babylonian exile to the destruction of the 2 nd Temple
176	586 BCE.-70 CE	
	Including	
	Hellenistic	
	period	Judaism--History--70-500
177	70-500	053 BM177
	Includes the period of the redaction of the Talmud. For works on the development of Talmud, see 501.15-501.9	Here are entered works on the history of Judaism during the redaction of the Talmud, approximately the first five centuries of the Common Era.
(178)	(Cancel)	Judaism--History--500-1500
	500-1500	053 BM180
180	General works	Here are entered works on the history of Judaism from the completion of the Talmud to the beginning of the modern period.
182	Ashkenazim. Sephardim	
	Including works on the development and on the relations between the two... cfs. DS134, DS135.S7-8, DS135.E8-9	Judaism--History--1500-
		053 BM190
185-185.4	Karaites	Judaism--History--1500-1800
	1500-	053 BM193
190	General	Judaism--History--1800-1948
	By period	053 BM195
193	1500-1800	Here are entered works on the history of Judaism...at the beginning of 19 th century to the establishment of the State of Israel.
194	Haskalah	
195	1800-1948	
195.2	1948- (proposed)	Judaism--History--1948-
196	Special movements	