Field Descriptions

| | ENGINEERING | |
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| 1400 | Aerospace, Aeronautical, Astronautical Engineering (Aerodynamics and Space Technology) | |
| 1401 | Bioengineering and Biomedical Engineering (Biomaterials and Medical Engineering) | |
| 1402 | Chemical Engineering (Petroleum, Petroleum Refining Process, Plastics, and Polymer) | |
| 1403 | Civil Engineering (Architectural, Environmental, Environmental health, Geotechnical, Hydraulic, Hydrologic, Sanitary, Structural, and Transportation) | |
| 1404 | Electrical Engineering (Communications, Computer, Electronics and Power | |
| 1405 | Mechanical Engineering (Engineering Mechanics) | |
| 1406 | Metallurgical/Materials Engineering (Ceramic, Materials Science, Metallurgy, Mining and Mineral, Textile, and Welding) | |
| 1407 | Other Engineering (Agricultural, Engineering Design, Engineering Physics, Engineering Science, Marine, Naval Architecture, Nuclear, Ocean and Forest) | |
| 1408 | Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering (Industrial, Manufacturing and Operations) | |
| 5000 | Optics | |
| PHYSICAL SCIENCES | | |
| 1500 | Astronomy and Astrophysics | |
| 1501 | Chemistry (Analytic Chemistry, Chemical Physics, Environmental Chemistry, Forensic Chemistry, Inorganic Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Organo-metallic Chemistry, Physical Chemistry, Polymer Chemistry, Theoretical Chemistry, excluding Biochemistry) | |
| 1502 | Reserved | |
| 1503 | Physics (Acoustics, Atomic Physics, Condensed Matter & Materials Physics, Elementary Particle Physics, Mathematical Physics, Molecular Physics, Nuclear Physics, Plasma Physics, Theoretical Physics) | |
| 1504 | Other Physical Sciences | |
| 6000 | Solar Physics | |
| 7000 | Heliospheric Physics | |
| 8000 | Planetary Astronomy and Sciences | |
| | GEOSCIENCES, ATMOSPHERIC AND OCEAN SCIENCES | |
| 1600 | Atmospheric Sciences and Meteorology (Aeronomy, Atmospheric chemistry and climatology, Atmospheric physics and dynamics, Meteorology, Weather Modification) | |
| 1601 | Geological and Earth Sciences (Earth and Planetary Sciences, Geochemistry, Geodesy and gravity, Geophysics and Seismology, Geology, Geomagnetism, Minerology and Petrology, Paleomagnetism, Paleontology, Physical Geography, Stratigraphy and Sedimentation, Surveying) | |
| 1602 | Ocean Sciences and Marine Sciences (Biological Oceanography, Geological Oceanography, Marine Biology, Marine Oceanography, Marine Sciences, Chemical and Physical Oceanography) | |
| 8001 | Extraterrestrial Atmospheres | |
| | MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS | |
| 1700 | Mathematical Sciences (Applied Mathematics, Mathematics, Statistics) | |
| COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SCIENCES | | |
| 1800 | Computer Sciences (Computer Systems Analysis, Data Processing, Informational Sciences, Information Technology, Management Information Systems) | |
| | LIFE SCIENCES | |
| 1900 | Agricultural Sciences (Agricultural Business and Management, Agricultural Chemistry, Agricultural Economics, Agricultural Production Operations, Animal Science, Aquaculture, Fish & Wildlife, Forestry, Horticulture, International Agriculture, Plant Sciences, Soil Sciences, Wood Sciences) | |
| 1901 | Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Allergies and Immunology, Biochemistry, Biophysics, Molecular Biology, Biogeography, General Biology, Biomedical Sciences, Biomathematics, Bioinformatics, Computational Biology, Biotechnology, Botany and Plant Biology, Cell, Cellular Biology and Anatomical Sciences, Ecology, Epidemiology, Population Biology, Genetics, Microbiological Sciences and Immunology, Molecular Medicine, Neurobiology and Neuroscience, Pharmacology and Toxicology, Physiology, Pathology and Related Sciences, Zoology and Animal Biology) | |
| 1902 | Health Sciences (Health & Medical Assisting Services, Bioethcs, Medical Ethics, Clinical Medicine Research, Clinical/Medical Laboratory Science/Research, Communication Disorders Sciences and Services, Dentistry, Dietetics and Clinical Nutrition Services, Health and Medical Admin Services, Gerontology, Health Sciences, Kinesiology and Exercise Science, Medical Clinical Sciences, Graduate Medical Studies, Optometry, Osteopathic Medicine, Pharmacy, Podiatry, Public Health, Veterinary Medicine) | |
| 1903 | Other Life Sciences (Other life sciences that cannot be classified in 1900, 1901, 1902, 1904 or 9000) | |

| | LIFE SCIENCES (continued) | |
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| 1904 | Natural Resources and Conservation (Natural resources conservation and research, Natural resources | |
| | economics, Natural resources management and policy, Renewable natural resources, Wildlife and | |
| | Wildlands science and management) | |
| 9000 | Nursing (Nursing Research and Clinical Nursing) | |
| | PSYCHOLOGY | |
| 2000 | Psychology (Clinical Psychology, Counseling and Applied Psychology, Human Development, | |
| | Research and Experimental Psychology) | |
| | SOCIAL SCIENCES | |
| 3000 | Economics (Applied Economics, Business Development, Development Economics and International | |
| | Development, Econometrics and Quantitative Economics, Industrial Economics, International | |
| 2001 | Economics, Labor Economics, Managerial Economics, Public Finance and Fiscal Policy) | |
| 3001 | Political Science and Government (Comparative Government, Government, Legal Systems, Political Economy, Political Science, Political Theory) | |
| 3002 | Sociology, Demography and Population Studies (Comparative and Historical Sociology, Complex | |
| | Organizations, Cultural and Social Structure, Demography and Population Studies, Group Interactions, | |
| 2002 | Rural Sociology, Social Problems and Welfare Theory, Sociology) | |
| 3003 | Other Social Sciences (Archaeology, Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies, Cartography, City, Urban, Community and Regional Planning, Criminal Science and Corrections, Criminology, | |
| | Geography, Gerontology Social Sciences, International Relations and National Security Studies, | |
| | Linguistics, Public Policy Analysis, Regional Studies, Urban Affairs, Urban Studies) | |
| 3004 | Anthropology (Cultural Anthropology, Medical Anthropology, Physical and Biological Anthropology) | |
| | NON-SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING (S&E) | |
| 4000 | Education (Education Administration and Supervision, Education Research, Teacher Education | |
| | (specific levels and methods), Teaching Fields) | |
| 4001 | Law (Legal Studies) | |
| 4002 | Humanities (English Language and Literature, Foreign Language and Literature, History (including | |
| | History and Philosophy of Science and Technology) General Studies and Humanities, Letters, Liberal | |
| | Arts and Sciences, Philosophy and Religion, Theology and Religious Vocations) | |
| 4003 | Visual and Performing Arts, Drama, theatre arts and stagecraft, Film, Video and Photographic Arts, | |
| 1001 | Fine and Studio Arts, Music) | |
| 4004 | Business Management and Business Administration (Business Administration, Business Management, | |
| 1005 | Business (Managerial Economics), Marketing Management and Research) | |
| 4005 | Communication and Communications Technologies (Communication and Media Studies, Communications Technologies, Journalism, Radio, Television, and Digital Communication) | |
| 4006 | Other Non-S&E Fields (Architecture, Family (consumer sciences and human sciences), Foods | |
| 4000 | (nutrition and wellness studies), Landscape Architecture, Library Science, Military Technology and | |
| | Applied Science, Parks, Sports, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies, Public Administration and | |
| | Public Affairs, Other non-S&E fields that cannot be classified using the thrust codes listed in this field) | |
| 4007 | Social Work | |