Call Numbers: French

Two systems used in US:

DEWEY Decimal System
- Used mostly in public libraries
- (George Peabody Library uses it)
- Divides knowledge into 10 classes, with further subdivision.
  - Languages: 400
  - Literature: 800

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS (LC)
- Used mostly in research and academic libraries
- 21 major divisions (letters of the alphabet, except I, O, W, X, Y).
- More flexible than Dewey.
- In almost all libraries, you will find a map of the physical building linked to call numbers letters.

EXAMPLE of LC call number in French literature:

Dans le café de la jeunesse perdue, by Patrick Modiano.
PQ 2673 .O3 D36 2007

PQ  Romance Literatures
1-3999  French literature
2660-2686  Individual authors, 1961-2000 (Birth date)
.O3  Cutter number for Modiano (Sometimes the letter corresponds to the author’s last name)
D36  Cutter number for this title  (D is the first letter of the title. This is almost always true)
2007  Date of publication