

HISTORY & POLITICS SUGGESTED READING

We are often asked if there is anything in particular students should read before coming to Cambridge. We don't expect applicants to have read specific things before they start the Part 1 course. Reading, however, is central to learning and reading broadens anyone's horizons. Below are short lists of some excellent books in the individual subjects on offer in the degree. Don't try to read everything, but time spent with any of the following will almost certainly be time well spent.

Chinua Achebe, 2006 (1958), *Things Fall Apart*, Penguin

Christopher H. Achen and Larry M. Bartels, 2016, *Democracy for Realists*; Princeton University Press

Benedict Anderson, 1983, *Imagined Communities*; Verso

Hannah Arendt, 2017 (1951), *The Origins of Totalitarianism*; Penguin

Richard Betts, 2013, *Conflict after the Cold War* (4th ed.); Pearson

Mark Blyth, 2013, *Austerity: The History of a Dangerous Idea*; Oxford University Press

Chris Brown and Kirsten Ainsley, 2009, *Understanding International Relations* (4th ed.); Palgrave Macmillan

Chris Clark, *Time and Power: Visions of History in German Politics, from the Thirty Years' War to the Third Reich*, Princeton University Press, 2019

Linda Colley, *The Gun the Ship and the Pen: Warfare, Constitutions and the Making of the Modern World*, Profile Book, 2021

Lucy Delap, 2020, *Feminism: A Global History*, Penguin

John Dunn, 2005, *Setting the People Free: The Story of Democracy*; Atlantic

Cynthia Enloe, 2014, *Bananas, Beaches, and Bases: Making Feminist Sense of International Politics* (new ed.); University of California Press

Frantz Fanon, 2001 (1961), *The Wretched of the Earth*; Penguin

Nancy Fraser, 2013, *Fortunes of Feminism*; Verso

Timothy Garton Ash, 1997, *The File: A Personal History*; Atlantic

E. H. H. Green, 1995, *The Crisis of Conservatism*; Routledge

Jussi Hanhimaki, Joseph A. Maiolo, Kirsten Schulze, and Anthony Best, 2008, *An International History of the Twentieth Century and Beyond* (2nd ed.); Routledge

Sudhir Hazareesingh, *Black Spartacus: The Epic Life of Touissant Louverture*, Penguin, 2021

T. Hauswedell, A. Körner, U. Tiedau (eds.), 2019, *Re-mapping Centre and Periphery: Asymmetrical Encounters in European and Global Contexts*, UCL press

Joanna Innes and Mark Philip (eds), 2018, *Re-Imagining Democracy in the Mediterranean, 1780-1860*, Oxford University Press

Giuseppe Tomasi di Lampedusa, 2007 (1958), *The Leopard*; Penguin

Peter Mair, 2013, *Ruling the Void*; Verso

Or Rosenboim, 2017, *The Emergence of Globalism*; Princeton University Press

David Runciman, 2013, *The Confidence Trap*; Princeton University Press

James C. Scott, 2012, *Two Cheers for Anarchism*; Princeton University Press

Judith N. Shklar, 1984, *Ordinary Vices*; Harvard University Press

Sujit Sivasundaram, *Waves across the South: A New History of Revolution and Empire*, William Collins, 2020

Theda Skocpol, 1979, *States and Social Revolutions*; Cambridge University Press

Robert Vitalis, 2015, *White World Order, Black Power Politics*; Cornell University Press Jennifer Welsh, 2017, *The Return of History*; Anansi