Strong applicants to Cambridge and other competitive universities tend to have explored their chosen subject through wider reading outside the classroom, as well as doing very well in their GCSEs and A-levels. We call this sort of exploration ‘super-curricular’, as it builds on and enhances what you are studying in school. We do not expect you to pay for this sort of exploration and have endeavoured to provide resources that are mostly freely available.

This selection of suggested reading lists and resources has been gathered from the Cambridge departmental and College websites, other universities and other sources on the internet. These lists are certainly NOT ‘required reading’ for Cambridge applicants. They simply provide some suggestions for places to start exploring your own interests in your chosen subject independently - you do not need to engage with any of the specific websites, books, podcasts etc mentioned and can easily find your own alternatives. The following lists are suggestions only.

It is important to read critically by thinking carefully about the arguments, assumptions and evidence presented by the author. Reading is a great way to explore subjects that you find interesting – but there are many other ways to deepen your understanding: investigate your local museums, monuments, galleries and natural features, and think analytically about nature, machinery or the built environment. After the COVID-19 lockdown, perhaps you can visit some of these!

The best thing about super-curricular activities is that there are no exams or deadlines to worry about – you are free to follow your own lines of enquiry into the areas that interest you the most. Rather than seeing this as a ‘tick box exercise’ to give you something to write about in your personal statement, you should take time to explore things that you genuinely find interesting and see where your investigations lead you.

Click on a subject link below to find some suggestions to help you explore your subject, or try one of the broad topic links at the bottom of the page. It will help applicants to explore their subject beyond the classroom not only to learn more about the subject, but also to confirm the decision whether or not to read the subject at university. There is no minimum amount of super-curricular activity expected of our applicants; they tend to explore their subject for the sake of interest.

There are some very useful general resources helpful to all subjects here.
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| Video                              | Cambridge Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic Society YouTube channel: |

| Podcasts                           | Radio 4 - In Our Time, History |

| Also see resources                 | History, Languages |

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Also see resources: [Classics], [History], [Geography], [HSPS]
### Architecture

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#### Books
- Architecture information for new students
- Bachelard, *The Poetics of Space*
- Davidson Cragoe, *How to Read Buildings*
- Pallasmaa, *The Eyes of the Skin*
- Perec, *Species of Spaces and other Pieces*

**List of Top 10 Architecture Books for Student Architects**

#### Journals/ Articles
- The Architects' Journal: Architecture News & Buildings
- The Architectural Review | Online and print magazine about international design
- Scroope Journal

#### People
- Le Corbusier
- Miles Van Der Rohe
- Lloyd Wright
- Mackintosh

#### Websites
- Learning programme
- Explore Arts and Culture through google
- Welcome to Young Architect - Young Architect

#### Podcasts
- Dezeen | architecture and design magazine

#### Other activities
- RIBA Stirling Prize
- 10 Essential Freehand Drawing Exercises for Architects

#### Also see resources
- History of Art, Maths
Asian and Middle Eastern Studies

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Chemical Engineering

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|                               | Denn, *Chemical Engineering: An Introduction* |
| Journals/Articles             | [Science news and science articles from New Scientist](#)  
|                               | [Articles - Chemical Engineering](#) |
| Websites                      | [Oxford Sparks: Bringing Oxford Science to Life](#)  
|                               | [Chemical Engineering Challenges and Opportunities in the 21st Century](#) |
| Other activities              | [Women in STEM - Women & girls in science, tech, engineering and maths](#) |
| Also see resources            | [Engineering, Maths, Natural Sciences](#) |
## Classics

### Course film

| Books | Faculty of Classics for prospective students  
Faculty of Classics recommended reading |
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| Journals/Articles | The Hellenic Journal | Study of Greek language | Hellenic Society  
Omnibus Magazine : Free Texts, Download, Borrow and Streaming |
| Websites | Classical Art Research Centre, Oxford  
Centre for the Study of Ancient Documents  
The Roman Society  
Classical Civilisation  
ORBIS/Stanford |
| Video | Introduction to Ancient Greek History with Donald Kagan  
Faculty of Classics - New Collection Videos |
| Podcasts | Radio 4 - In Our Time, History |
| Other activities | Introducing Classical Latin  
Getting started on Classical Latin  
Introducing Ancient Greek  
Discovering Ancient Greek and Latin  
Duolingo - The world's best way to learn a language |
| Also see resources | English, History of Art, Philosophy |
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plus magazine: Living Maths  
The Dismal Scientist |
| Websites | Maths for Economists Collection  
The Economist Educational Foundation  
The Institute of Economic Affairs  
National Institute of Economic and Social Research  
International Monetary Fund |
| Video | Faculty of Economics 2019 Open Day Presentation  
Advice for students thinking of applying to study Economics  
Child Health as Human Capital - lecture by Professor Janet Currie |
| Podcasts | Freakonomics | The hidden side of everything  
50 Things That Made the Modern Economy |
| Competitions | Young Economist of the Year |
| Also see resources | Mathematics |
## Education

### Course film

### Books
- Matheson, *An Introduction to the Study of Education*
- Reay, *Miseducation: Inequality, Education and the Working Classes*
- Young, *The Rise of the Meritocracy*

### Journals/Articles
- Philosophy of Education (Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy)
- Cambridge Journal of Education: Faculty of Education
- Research and Theory Behind the Sociology of Education
- Times Education Supplement

### Authors
- Diane Reay
- Michael Young
- Raewyn Connell
- David Gillborn
- Kalwant Bhopal

### Websites
- Educational Psychology Interactive
- Department for Education
- Challenges of 21st Century Education - Online Course

### Video
- Learning to Play and Playing to Learn
- Toddlers Think for Themselves

### Podcasts
- Oxford Department of Education Public Seminars

### Also see resources
- English, Psychology, HSPS
## Engineering

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| Books | Engineering department recommended reading  
 David MacKay Sustainable Energy without the Hot Air  
 There Is No Planet B |
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| Journals/Articles | Science news and science articles from New Scientist  
 Nature News & Comment |
| Websites | I Want to Study Engineering  
 Isaac Physics  
 National Grid: Live Status  
 Project Drawdown  
 Paper Airplane: The World’s Best Paper Airplane is the Paperang.  
 ENGINEERING.com | Information & Inspiration for Engineers  
 Explore NASA STEM  
 F1 in Schools UK  
 Greenpower: Home  
 Oxford Sparks: Bringing Oxford Science to Life  
 Brilliant | Learn to think  
 Royal Academy of Engineering |
| Videos | Example Cambridge Engineering Interview |
| Podcasts | BBC Radio 4 - In Our Time, Science  
 Radio 4 - More or Less: Behind the Stats |
| Competitions | School Science Competitions |
| Other activities | Learn Python 3  
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Eagleton, *Literary Theory: An Introduction*  
Eco, *The Name of the Rose*  
Fisher, *Ghosts of my Life: Writings on Depression, Hauntology and Lost Futures*  
Greenblatt, *Renaissance Self-Fashioning: From More to Shakespeare*  
Lewis, *The Discarded Image: An Introduction to Medieval and Renaissance Literature*  
Nashe, *The Unfortunate Traveller*  
Nuttall, *Shakespeare the Thinker*  
Paterson, *Reading Shakespeare’s Sonnets: A New Commentary*  
Stewart, *On Longing: Narratives of the Miniature, the Gigantic, the Souvenir, the Collection* |
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| Journals/Articles | [London Review of Books](https://www.londonreviewofbooks.org)  
[Literary Review](https://www.literaryreview.co.uk) | For People Who Devour Books  
[The Guardian Books website](https://books.gu.com)  
[The New Yorker](https://www.newyorker.com/books) |
| Poets | Frank O’Hara  
John Ashbery  
W.S. Graham  
Lorine Neidecker  
Joan Murray  
Geoffrey Hill  
Denise Riley |
| Websites | Cambridge Faculty of English resources  
My HE Plus English  
The TLS Literature - Literature | The TLS  
The Poetry Society – Connecting you to the transformative power of poetry  
British Library Online  
Shakespeare's Globe: Research and Collections  
Great Writers Inspire  
Poet Seers: Collection of poetry from around the world  
Poetry Foundation  
Early English Books Online (1470-1700) |
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Close Readings · LRB  
Approaching Shakespeare  
Oxford University Podcasts for English  
The Paris Review - fiction, poetry and interviews |
| Also see resources | Classics, Philosophy |
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- Science news and science articles from New Scientist
- The Economist - World News, Politics, Economics, Business & Finance
- Geography Review extras
- Geographical Magazine
- Geography – A journal by the Geographical Association

### Authors

- Danny Dorling
- Naomi Klein
- Robert Macfarlane
- Hans Rosling
- Rebecca Solnit

### Websites

- Learning resources for sixth-formers: Geography
- Royal Geographical Society - Royal Geographical Society (with IBG)
- Our World in Data
- JNCC - Adviser to Government on Nature Conservation
- The Geological Society
- British Geological Survey (BGS) | A world-leading geoscience centre
- World Mapper
- Populations Past
| Video          | Geography: Not just colouring in  
|               | Urbanisation by Dr Charlotte Lemanski  
|               | Urban Poverty by Dr Charlotte Lemanski  
| Podcasts      | Costing the Earth  
|               | More or Less  
|               | Social Science Bites – Doreen Massey 2013  
| Other activities | Into the Inferno  
|               | All watched over by machines of loving grace  
| Also see resources | HSPS, Land Economy, Natural Sciences  

## History

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- History faculty suggested reading
- Pierre Nora, *Realms of Memory*
- Ludmilla Jordanova, *History in Practice*
- Edward Saïd, *Orientalism*

### Journals/Articles
- History Today | The world's leading serious history magazine
- HistoryExtra: BBC History Magazine & BBC World Histories Magazine
- EL PAÍS: el periódico global
- Le Monde.fr - Actualités et Infos en France et dans le monde
- Le Figaro - Actualité en direct et informations en continu
- Toute l'actualité en direct - photos et vidéos avec Libération - Libération
- DER SPIEGEL | Online-Nachrichten

### Authors
- Carlos Fuentes
- García Márquez
- Isabel Allende

### Websites
- History Today | The world's leading serious history magazine
- History: British History in-depth
- Memrise - Learn a language. Meet the world.
- CRISCO - Dictionnaire des synonymes
- MYTF1 : TF1, TMC, TFX et TF1 Séries Films en replay ou en direct
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### Podcasts
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| Books | Human, Social and Political Sciences suggested readings  
| Distinguished Scholarly Book Award |
| Journals/Articles | British Politics: A Very Short Introduction  
| Politics Review Extras Magazine Archives  
| The Economist - World News, Politics, Economics, Business & Finance  
| British Journal of Sociology |
| Websites | Cambridge Encyclopedia of Anthropology  
| The Royal Anthropological Institute  
| Discover Anthropology  
| Heywood Political Ideologies  
| British Sociological Association  
| The Political Studies Association  
| UK Parliament  
| United Nations | Peace, dignity and equality on a healthy planet  
| Chatham House: International Affairs Think Tank  
| Amnesty International |
| Video | Sociology: School of Life  
| Youtube series on political theory |
| Podcasts | Talking Politics  
| Thinking Allowed  
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JNCC - Adviser to Government on Nature Conservation  
UK Environmental Law Association |
| Video | Open City Documentary Festival Films - UCL Urban Lab |
| Other activities | Finance & Quantitative Modeling for Analysts |
| Also see resources | Economics, Geography, Law |
### Law

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**Books**
- Barnard, O'Sullivan and Virgo, *What About Law*
- Berlins and Dyer, *The Law Machine*
- Bingham, *The Rule of Law*
- Kennedy, *Misjustice: How British Law is Failing Women*
- Williams, *Learning the Law*

**Journals/Articles**
- [Law - The Guardian](#)
- Charles Dickens and the Law
- [Counsel Magazine](#)

**Websites**
- [Learn More about Law](#)
- Think Cambridge Law
- The Lawyer Portal | The Resource for Aspiring Legal Professionals
- The YLJ
- [Justice.gov.uk](#)
- Courts and Tribunals Judiciary
- [Legislation.gov.uk](#)
- [Mcbridesguides: Helping you to Study Law](#)
- [Public Law for Everyone](#)

**Video**
- [Justice with Michael Sandel](#)
- Example Cambridge Law Admissions Interview
- Mental Health and the Law lecture by Richard Martin

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  - Nashef, *The Naked Surgeon*

## Journals/Articles
- Science news and science articles from New Scientist
- The BMJ: leading medical journal. Research. Education. Comment
- The Lancet | The best science for better lives

## Authors
- Ben Goldacre
- Atul Gawande
- Michael Marmot

## Websites
- Basic Science Concepts for Med/VetST Students at Cambridge
- TeachMeAnatomy - Making Anatomy Simple
- Preparing for BMAT Admissions Testing
- British Medical Association
- Wellcome: Home
- The Physiological Society: Homepage
- Home - Institute of Biomedical Science
- Royal College of General Practitioners - Observe GP

## Video
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- Medicine Mock Interview (2) | Peterhouse, Cambridge.

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TF1 and France 2 (French TV channels)
L’Express
RTVC Radio Télévision Caraïbes, 94.5 FM, Port-au-Prince, Haiti | Free Internet Radio for Caribbean Radio
Sud Quotidien - one of Senegal's main daily papers.
Le Soleil de Québec – French Canadian news

German:
Online Resources for German | Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages and Linguistics Dozens of links to newspapers, videos, podcasts, museum and cultural institutions, dictionaries and much more!
DER SPIEGEL | Online-Nachrichten

Italian:
Corriere della Sera - Ultime Notizie
www.rai.it Italian TV
www.la7.it Italian TV
www.radio.rai.it/ Italian radio
La Repubblica – newspaper
La Stampa – newspaper
www.italia.it Italian places of interest

Portuguese:
https://www.youtube.com/user/portadosfundos Brazilian comedy group
http://www.publico.pt/ Jornal Público, Portugal newspaper
http://www.expresso.pt/ Expresso, Portugal newspaper
http://www.bbc.co.uk/portuguese/ BBC Brazil
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## Music

### Course film

### Books

### Journals/Articles
- Open Music Library

### Websites
- Faculty of Music Resources for Students
- My HE Plus - Music
- Royal Academy of Music
- Discovering Music: early 20th century
- The research blog for the Faculty of Music, University of Cambridge

### Video
- Gresham Music Lectures
- Faculty of Music, University of Cambridge

### Podcasts
- Radio 3 - Composer of the Week

### Also see resources
- History
## Natural Sciences

### Course film (Biological Sciences)

### Course film (Physical Sciences)

| Books                  | Cambridge Natural Sciences reading list  
The Feynman Lectures on Physics |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Journals/Articles      | New Scientist | Science news and science articles  
Young Scientists Journal  
Educational Magazines - Biological Sciences Review  
Nature Journal  
symmetry magazine | dimensions of particle physics  
ParticleBites – The high energy physics reader’s digest | News Center  
The Scientist Magazine - Life Sciences News and Articles  
Scientific American: Science News, Articles, and Information |
| Websites               | Welcome | Oxford Sparks: Bringing Oxford Science to Life  
Things We Don't Know  
Brilliant | Learn to think  
Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy  
BBC Science and Environment news  
Oxford Science Blog  
Isaac Physics  
COVID-19: Using Isaac to learn and teach | physics.org | Home  
CERN Resources  
Mastering Physics  
Physics zone  
PhysicsLAB NextTime Questions  
Introducing Isaac Chemistry |
### Videos
- [The Royal Society](#)
- [Chemistry in the Garden](#)
- [Wothers.com](#)
- [BBC iPlayer - Science & Nature Documentaries](#)
- [iBiology — Bringing the world's best biology to you, for free!](#)
- [Four - Chemistry: A Volatile History](#)
  - Programmes categorised as Factual: Science & Nature

### Podcasts
- [BBC Radio 4 - In Our Time, Science](#)
- [The Life Scientific](#)
- [Naked Scientists Online, Science Podcast and Science Radio Show](#)
- [Science in Action](#)
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| Competitions | Oxford and Cambridge Collaborative Outreach Network |

| Other activities | Reading quality news sources can be a useful way to encounter stories relevant to your academic interests and, more generally, to practise assessing arguments and weighing evidence. Some suggestions include: Broadsheet newspapers: *The Guardian, The Times, Independent, Daily Telegraph*  
BBC News online: [www.bbc.co.uk/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/)  
Al Jazeera English: [www.aljazeera.com/](http://www.aljazeera.com/)  