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READING LIST

Course Title: Scholars and Peasants: How Oxford University was Funded, c.1250-1550
Location: Ewert House, Oxford
Term Dates: 23 Apr 2025 to 25 Jun 2025
Tutor: Virginia Bainbridge

The reading list below was supplied by the course tutor.

If you have enrolled on a course starting in the autumn, you can become a borrowing member of the Rewley House library from 1st September. If you are enrolled on a course starting in other terms, you can become a borrowing member once the previous term has ended. For example, students starting in January can join the Library in early December and those starting in April can join in early March.

If you are planning to purchase any books, please keep in mind that courses with insufficient students enrolled will be cancelled. The Department accepts no responsibility for books bought in anticipation of a course running.

Preparatory Reading List

The items on this list are to give you some background to the materials and ideas that we will be covering on the course.

Author	Title
Cobban, Alan	<i>English University Life in the Middle Ages</i> (UCL Press, London 1999)
Curthoys, Judith	<i>Cows and Curates: the story of the Land and Livings of Christ Church, Oxford</i> (Profile Books, London, 2020)
Green, V. H. H.	<i>A History of Oxford University</i> (Batsford, London 1974)
Harvey, P. D. A.	<i>A Medieval Oxfordshire Village: Cuxham 1240-1400</i> (Oxford U. P. 1965)
Wood, Michael	<i>The Story of England: a village and its people through the whole of English History</i> (Viking: Penguin Books, London 2010)

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The items on this list are to support your learning while you are taking the course.

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Aston, T. H., gen. ed.,	<i>The History of the University of Oxford</i> (Oxford U. P. 1984-95, Vols 1-4)
Bailey, Mark, ed.,	<i>The English Manor: Selected Sources</i> (Manchester U. P. 1993)
Chaucer, Geoffrey	<i>The Canterbury Tales</i> (Penguin paperback)
Collett, B., Smith, A., and Reid, J., eds.	<i>The Building Accounts of Corpus Christi College, Oxford 1517-1518</i> (Woodbridge, Boydell for Oxford Historical Society, 2019)
Davis, Virginia	<i>William Waynflete, Bishop and Educationalist</i> (Woodbridge, Boydell 1993)
Davis, Virginia	<i>William Wykeham</i> (Hambledon, London 2007)
Duffy, Eamon	<i>Marking the Hours: English people and their prayers 1240-1570</i> (Yale U. P. 2006)
Dyer, Christopher	<i>Standards of Living in the Later Middle Ages, 1200-1520</i> (Cambridge U. P. 1989)
Franks, Michael	<i>The Clerk of Basingstoke: a life of Walter de Merton</i> (Oxford, Alden 2003)
Goldberg, P. J. P.	<i>Women in England c.1275-1525</i> (Manchester U. P. 1995)
Griffiths, Ralph, ed.,	<i>The Fourteenth and Fifteenth Centuries: Short Oxford History of the British Isles</i> (Oxford U. P. 2003)
Hanawalt, Barbara	<i>The Ties that Bound: peasant families in medieval England</i> (Oxford U. P. 1986)
Hilton, Rodney	<i>A Medieval Society: the West Midlands at the end of the thirteenth century</i> (New York, John Wiley and Sons 1966)
Hindle, B. P.	<i>Maps for Local History</i> (Batsford, London 1988)
Hopkins, Clare	<i>Trinity, 450 Years of an Oxford College Community</i> (Oxford U. P. 2005)
Hoskins, W. G.	<i>The Making of the English Landscape</i> (1955 and numerous editions)
Jones, Michael K. and Underwood, Malcolm G.	<i>The King's Mother: Lady Margaret Beaufort</i> (Cambridge U. P. 1992)
Pantin, W. A.	<i>The English Church in the Fourteenth Century</i> (Cambridge U. P. 1955)
Pevsner, Nikolaus	<i>Buildings of England: Oxfordshire</i> (Penguin)

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- Platt, Colin *King Death: the Black Death and its aftermath in late medieval England* (University College Press, London 1996)
- Prior, Mary, ed., *Women in English Society 1500-1800* (Routledge, London 1986),
Ch 3, Women and the Urban Economy: Oxford 1500-1800)
- Pugh, R. B. & Elrington, C., gen. eds., *Victoria County History of Oxford* (Vols 2-4)
- Rickard, R. L. ed., *The Progress Notes of Warden Woodward round the Oxfordshire estates of New College, Oxford, 1659-1675* (Oxfordshire Record Society 27, 1945)
- Rosenthal, Joel T. *The Purchase of Paradise: the social function of aristocratic benevolence 1307-1485* (Routledge, London 1972)
- Salter, H. E. *Records of Medieval Oxford* (Oxford 1912)
- Swanson, Heather *Medieval British Towns* (Basingstoke, Hampshire, Palgrave 1999)
- West, John *Town Records* (Phillimore, Chichester, 1983)
- West, John *Village Records* (Phillimore, Chichester, 1982)