

Preliminary Reading List for Part I Economics Tripos

This reading list is designed to provide information about the scope and content of Part I of the Economics Tripos at Cambridge. It aims to help potential candidates who are thinking of applying to read Economics at Cambridge, and to allow schools to advise such candidates. Directors of Studies may also find it useful to send copies of this reading list to candidates holding conditional or firm offers of admission. Books marked with an asterisk are recommended texts for the course concerned, and are therefore more advanced.

General Introduction

- Dasgupta, P (2007), *Economics: A Very Short Introduction*, Oxford University Press.
- Rodrik, D (2015) *Economics Rules: Why Economics Works, When It Fails, and How To Tell The Difference*, Oxford University Press.

Paper 1: Microeconomics

- * Varian, H (2014), *Intermediate Microeconomics*, Norton.

Paper 2: Macroeconomics

- * Jones, C, *Macroeconomics*, International edition.
- * Mankiw, N G and M P Taylor, *Macroeconomics*, European Edition.

Paper 3: Quantitative Methods in Economics

- * Sydsaeter, K and P Hammond, *Essential Mathematics for Economic Analysis*, Prentice Hall.
- Pemberton, M and N Rau, *Mathematics for Economists*, Manchester University Press.
- * Ross, S M, *Introductory Statistics* (3rd edition), Academic Press.
- Larsen, R J and M L Marx, *An Introduction to Mathematical Statistics and its Applications* (5th edition), Pearson. This text adopts a more formal mathematical approach, and is therefore more suitable for those with Further Maths A level.
- Lind, D, W Marchal and R Mason, *Statistical Techniques in Business and Economics* (11th edition), McGraw-Hill. This text adopts a more practical approach to statistics, and provides relatively little mathematical detail.
- Mann, P S, *Introductory Statistics* (7th edition), Wiley.
- * Goldberger, A, *Introductory Econometrics* Harvard University Press. This is the recommended text for the section of the course which covers correlation and regression analysis.
- Pindyck, R and D Rubinfeld, *Econometric Models and Economic Forecasts* (4th edition), McGraw-Hill.

Paper 4: Political and Social Aspects of Economics

- Acemoglu, D. and J. Robinson (2013). *Why Nations Fail: The Origins of Power, Prosperity and Poverty*. London: Profile Books.
- Chang, H-J.(2014), *Economics: The User's Guide. A Pelican Introduction*.
- Chang, H-J.(1994), *The Political Economy of Industrial Policy*. Palgrave Macmillan.
- Faucher-King, F. and P. Le Gales (2010). *The New Labour Experiment Change and Reform Under Blair and Brown*. Stanford University Press.
- Davies, H. (2010). *The financial crisis: who is to blame?* Cambridge: Polity Press.

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- *Kavanagh, D. and Morris P. (1994), Consensus Politics from Attlee to Major. Oxford: Blackwell.*
- *Landes, D. (1998). The Wealth and Poverty of Nations: Why Some Are So Rich and Some So Poor. New York: W.W. Norton.*
- *Marsh, D. and Rhodes, R.A.W. (1992), Implementing Thatcherite Policies: Audit of an Era. Buckingham: Open University Press.*
- *North, D. (1990). Institutions, Institutional Change and Economic Performance. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.*
- *Stiglitz, J. et al. (1989), The Economic Role of the State. Oxford: Blackwell.*
- *Stiglitz, J. and J. Rosengard (2015), Economics of the Public Sector. W W Norton.*

Paper 5: British Economic History

- *Nicholas Crafts, (2018). Forging Ahead, Falling Behind and Fighting Back. British Economic Growth from the Industrial Revolution to the Financial Crisis.*
- *Roderick Floud, Jane Humphries and Paul Johnson (eds.) 2014. The Cambridge Economic History of Modern Britain. Volumes 1 and 2.*
- *Solomos Solomou, (1996). Themes in Macroeconomic History: the UK Economy 1919-1939.*

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