POLITICS

Some Suggested Reading

This is by no means exhaustive and, by its very nature, politics makes books out-of-date very quickly. However, political philosophy is largely immune to this (but not completely!).

Political Philosophy

Plato The Republic Aristotle Politics

John Rawls A Theory Of Justice*
Antonio Gramsci Prison Diaries

Jean-Jacques Rousseau The Social Contract*

Niccolo Machiavelli The Prince

Friedrich von Hayek The Road To Serfdom

Francis Fukuyama The End Of History And The Last Man

Karl Marx & Friedrich Engels The Communist Manifesto

Karl Marx Das Kapital*

Ralph Miliband The State In Capitalist Society

Thomas Hobbes Leviathan*

John Locke Two Treatises On Government*

John Stuart Mill On Liberty*
Anthony Giddens The Third Way

Karl Popper The Open Society And Its Enemies
Edmund Burke Reflections On The Revolution In France

Those books asterisked are demanding. You may prefer to read books analysing these political philosophers rather than the original works.

Political Theory

Robert A. Dahl Dilemmas Of Pluralist Democracy

Edwards S. Herman & Noam Chomsky Manufacturing Consent

Stephen Lukes Power

Michael Oakshott

John Waldron

Isaiah Berlin

On Human Conduct

Theories Of Rights

Four Essays On Liberty

International Relations/World Politics

Gore Vidal Perpetual War For Perpetual Peace

Michael Moore Stupid White Men
Mark Curtis Web Of Deceit
David Satter Darkness At Dawn
Naomi Klein The Shock Doctrine