

POSTGRADUATE DEGREE IN REGENERATIVE ECONOMICS

PREPARATORY READINGS AND RESOURCES, 2020/21

The following titles are recommended pre-course reading, viewing, listening and browsing. In addition to this resource list, resources will be posted on our digital resource bank for each individual session (or cluster of sessions) through the course of the academic year.

1. Top picks

Key texts that provide essential reading

Capra F. and Luigi Luisi P. (2014) *The Systems View of Life: A Unifying Vision*. Cambridge University press. (esp. Chapter 16 *The Ecological Dimensions of Life* pp 341 – 361) You can view the recent earth talk by Fritjof Capra at Schumacher College in which he introduces the Systems View of Life

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lf2Fw0z6uxY><http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lf2Fw0z6uxY>

Dawson J. (2017) *Bringing the Classroom Back to Life*, in *EarthEd: Rethinking Education on a Changing Planet*, World Watch Institute State of the World report

<https://www.schumachercollege.org.uk/sites/default/files/Download%20Files/Class-To-Life.pdf>

Hickel J. (2018). *The Divide: A Brief Guide to Global Inequality and its Solutions*. Windmill Books

Jackson T. (2011) *Prosperity Without Growth: Economics for a Finite Planet*, Earthscan

http://www.sd-commission.org.uk/data/files/publications/prosperity_without_growth_report.pdf

Monbiot, G. (2017) *Out of the Wreckage: A New Politics for an Age of Crisis*. Verso Books

Raworth K. (2017) *Doughnut Economics, Seven Ways to Think like a 21st Century Economist*, Chelsea Green

Schumacher E.F. (1973) *Small is Beautiful*, Random House, London

Wahl D. (2016) *Designing Regenerative Cultures*, Triarchy Press

Websites

Resilience.org (Post-Carbon Institute) <http://www.resilience.org/>

P2P Foundation <http://p2pfoundation.net/>

Economics <http://evonomics.com/>

Kate Raworth – Exploring Doughnut Economics <http://www.kateraworth.com/blog/>

David Bollier (on the commons) <http://www.bollier.org/>

Commons Transition - <http://commonstransition.org/>

The Next System Project - <http://thenextsystem.org/>

Degrowth - <http://www.degrowth.org/>

Institute for Local Self Reliance - <http://www.ilsr.org/>

2. Other key resources that are highly recommended and which students may consider purchasing and prioritising in their reading.

(Alternatively, web searches are likely to take you to shorter articles, TED talks or other shorter and freely downloadable resources from most of these authors.)

Module 1: Ecology & Economy

Arthur B. (2013) Complexity Economics: A Different Framework for Economic Thought, SFI Working Paper: 2013-04-012 <http://tuvalu.santafe.edu/~wbarthur/Papers/Comp.Econ.SFI.pdf>

Beinhocker E. (2007) *The Origin of Wealth – Evolution, Complexity and the Radical Re-Making of Economics*, Random House, London.

Borthoft, H. (2012) *Taking Appearance Seriously: The Dynamic Way of Seeing in Goethe and European Thought*.

Goodwin, B. (2007). *Nature's Due: Healing Our Fragmented Culture*. Totnes: Floris Books.

Harding, S. (2009). *Animate Earth: Science, Intuition and Gaia*. Cambridge: Green Books.

Meadows, D. 1999. *Leverage Points: Places to Intervene in a System*

Available on-line at:

<http://www.donellameadows.org/archives/leverage-points-places-to-intervene-in-a-system>

Ingold, T. (2010). The Textility of Making. *Cambridge Journal of Economics* 2010, 34, 91–102

Lovelock J. Gaia (2000). *The Practical Science of Planetary Medicine*

Scharmer O, Kaufer K (2013) *Leading from the Emerging Future: From Ego-System to Eco-System Economies*. Berrett-Koehler, San Francisco

Shotter, J. (2012) More than Cool Reason: 'Witness-thinking' or 'systemic thinking' and 'thinking about systems' *International Journal of Collaborative Practices* 3(1), 2012: 1-13

Weber A. (2013) *Enlivenment: Towards a fundamental shift in the concepts of nature, culture and politics*. Heinrich Boell Stiftung <http://www.boell.de/en/2013/02/01/enlivenment-towards-fundamental-shift-concepts-nature-culture-and-politics>

Module 2: Beyond Growth

Bollier D. and Silke Helfrich (2019). *Free, Fair and Alive: The Insurgent Power of the Commons* <https://www.freefairandalive.org/>

Boyle D. and Simms A. (2009) *The New Economics: A Bigger Picture*, Earthscan (especially Chapters 1 & 2)

Eisenstein C. (2011) *Sacred Economics: Money, Gift, and Society in the Age of Transition*, 2011, EVOLVER EDITIONS

Graeber D. (2011) *Debt: The first 5,000 years*, Melville House, New York

Klein N. (2019) *On Fire: The Burning Case for a Green New Deal*. Penguin

Lewis M. and P. Conaty (2012) *The Resilience Imperative: Cooperative Transitions to a Steady-state Economy*, New Society

D'Alisa G. et al. (2014). *Degrowth: A Vocabulary for a New Era*, Routledge

Module 3: Regenerative Enterprise

Hawken P., Lovins A., Lovins L.H. (1999) *Natural Capitalism*. Back Bay Books

Laloux F (2014) *Reinventing Organisations*, Nelson Parker

Mazzucato, M. (2019), *The Value of Everything: Making and Taking in the Global Economy*, Penguin

McDonough W. and Braungart M. (2002) *Cradle to Cradle: Remaking the Way We Make Things*. North Point Press

Murray, Robin, Caulier-Grice, Julie, Mulgan, Geoff. (2010). *The Open Book of Social Innovation: Ways to Design, Develop and Grow Social Innovation*. London: NESTA & The Young Foundation.

Shaw, P. (2002). *Changing Conversations in Organisations*. London: Routledge.

Shuman M. (2015) *The Local Economy Solution*. Chelsea Green Publishing

Module 4: Changing the Frame

Darnton A. and M. Kirk. (2012). *Finding Frames: New ways to engage the UK public in global poverty*, <http://findingframes.org/>

Haidt, J. (2012). *The Righteous Mind: Why Good People are Divided by Politics and Religion*, Pantheon, 2012

David C Korten. (2015) *Change The Story, Change the Future*, 2015, Berrett-Koehler Publishers

Lakoff, G. and M Johnson (1999). *Philosophy in the Flesh: The Embodied Mind and its Challenge to Western Thought*, New York: Basic Books

Lakoff G. (2004). *Don't Think of an Elephant!: Know Your Values and Frame the Debate*, Chelsea Green

Lent J. (2017). *The Patterning Instinct: A Cultural History of Man's Search for Meaning*. Prometheus Books

Macfarlane R., 'The word-hoard: Robert Macfarlane on rewilding our language of landscape', *Guardian* 27/2/2015 <https://www.theguardian.com/books/2015/feb/27/robert-macfarlane-word-hoard-rewilding-landscape>

Orwell G. (1946, 2013) *Politics and the English Language*. Penguin Classics

Timothy Wilson. *Changing the Stories we Live By*. https://www.amazon.co.uk/Redirect-Changing-Stories-We-Live/dp/0141042249/ref=sr_1_1

3. Other recommended general texts

Arendt, H. (1998). *The Human Condition* (2nd ed.). Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Baker C. (2011) *Navigating the Coming Chaos: A Handbook for Inner Transition*. Universe Books. Section 1

Bauwens M., Kostakis V., Pazaitis A., (2019) *Peer to Peer - The Commons Manifesto*, <https://commonstransition.org/peer-to-peer-a-commons-manifesto/>

Bollier D. and Silke Helfrich (2013) *The Wealth of the Commons* <http://wealthofthecommons.org/>

Bollier D. and Silke Helfrich (2016) *Patterns of Commoning* <http://patternsofcommoning.org/>

Capra F. and U. Mattei, *The Ecology of Law: Towards a Legal System in Tune with Nature and Community*, Berret Koehler (2015)

Chang H.J. (2014) *Economics: The User's Guide*. Bloomsbury Press

- Daly H.E. and Farley J.C. (2004) *Ecological Economics: Principles and Applications*, Island Press, Washington. Part 1: An Introduction to Ecological Economics
- Dawson J., Norberg-Hodge H. and Jackson R; (2010) *Gaian Economics: Living Well within Planetary Limits*. Permanent Publications
- Escobar A. (2007) *Beyond the Third World: Imperial Globality, Global Coloniality, and Anti-Globalization Social Movements* <http://www3.nd.edu/~druccio/Escobar.pdf>
- Fromm, E. (1994) *Escape from Freedom*. Holt McDougal
- Gorenflo N. (2015). How Platform Coops Can Beat Death Stars Like Uber to Create a Real Sharing Economy, <https://www.shareable.net/how-platform-coops-can-beat-death-stars-like-uber-to-create-a-real-sharing-economy/>
- Heinberg R. And Leach D. (2010) *The Post Carbon Reader: Managing the 21st Century Sustainability Crisis*, Post Carbon Institute, USA. Part Nine: The Economy
- Hofer E. (2010) *The True Believer: Thoughts on the Nature of Mass Movements*. Harper Perennial Modern Classics
- Johnson S. (2010) *Where Good Ideas Come from: The Natural History of Innovation*. Riverhead Books
- Kahneman D. (2011) *Thinking, Fast and Slow*. Penguin Books
- Kuhn T. (1996) *The Structure of Scientific Revolutions*, University of Chicago Press
- Monbiot G., (2012), 'The Impossibility of Growth: Why collapse and salvation are hard to distinguish from each other'. Guardian. <http://www.monbiot.com/2014/05/27/the-impossibility-of-growth/>
- Nef (2009) *Happy Planet Index 2.0*, [on-line] <http://www.happyplanetindex.org/public-data/files/happy-planet-index-2-0.pdf>
- Patel R. (2012) *The Value of Nothing*, (See also the Generation Food project <http://rajpatel.org/2012/07/09/announcing-generation-food/>)
- Polanyi, K. (1944) *The Great Transformation*
- Sachs W. (Ed.) *The Development Dictionary: A Guide to Knowledge as Power*. London: Zed Books. 1992 (Read especially pages 1 – 15, covering the introduction by Wolfgang Sachs plus Gustavo Esteva on 'Development')
- Sandel M. (2012). *What Money Can't Buy: The Moral Limits of Markets*. London: Penguin
- Scott B., (2013) *The Heretic's Guide to Global Finance - Hacking the Future of Money*. Pluto Press
- Scott-Cato M, (2012) *The Bioregional Economy: land, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness*, London:Earthscan

Shiva, V. (2012) *Making Peace with the Earth*. N. Geelong, Vic: Spinifex Press.

Stern N. (2006) *Review on the Economics of Climate Change*, http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/sternreview_index.htm

J. Thakera (2015) *How to Thrive in the Next Economy: Designing Tomorrow's World Today*, Thames & Hudson

4. Videos & Podcasts

- Ancient Futures: Learning From Ladakh <http://vimeo.com/21643212>
- Demain <https://www.demain-lefilm.com/en>
- The Shock Doctrine <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hA736oK9FPg>
- The Economics of Happiness www.theeconomicsofhappiness.org/
- The Story of Stuff (and other videos on the same site) <http://www.storyofstuff.org/>
- Karma Kitchen (and other videos on the same site) <http://www.globalonenessproject.org/library/films/karma-kitchen>
- Sacred Economy <http://sacred-economics.com/>
- Inside Job https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dw2_z-ZFrzY
- Michel Sandel on the moral limits of markets (TED talk) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UbBv2ZGC2VI>
- Jonathon Porritt on the Sustainability for All <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=39bPjnFBt-o> (TED talk)
- Tim Jackson gives An Economic Reality Check (TED talk) http://www.ted.com/talks/tim_jackson_s_economic_reality_check
- George Monbiot on 'The Pricing of Everything' <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ni1tX0bpTR8>
- Thomas Picketty on inequality and capitalism Could point them at a recent video eg <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=heOVJM2JZxl>
- Iain McGilchrist on the nature of consciousness <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oXiHStLfjP0>
- Tomas Sedlecek' on the Economics of Good and Evil https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B_YIKK6taIE
- Vitorio Loreto, 'Need a new idea? Start at the edge of what is known' https://www.ted.com/talks/vittorio_loreto_need_a_new_idea_start_at_the_edge_of_what_is_known?utm_campaign=tedsread&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=tedcomshare
- Nancy Fraser, 'Can Societies Be Commodities All the Way Down?' <https://youtu.be/V-3q3zvT1Os>
- Cesar Hidalgo, 'Economic Complexity' <https://youtu.be/2yTU6PeO098>
- Can Brain Alone Explain Consciousness? | Episode 1607 | Closer To Truth - a great series on neuroscience and philosophy of mind <https://youtu.be/LyPEgKuqrtM>
- Ricardo Hausmann on Economic Complexity and Productive Knowledge <https://youtu.be/0JC24CBVsdo>
- Richard Wolff on the Mondragon cooperatives <https://youtu.be/mKbukSeZ29o>
- Gar Alperovitz: If you don't like capitalism or state socialism, what do you want? <https://youtu.be/I0ZTRa4yP-Q>

- Shoshana Zuboff on surveillance capitalism | VPRO Documentary
<https://youtu.be/hlXhnWUmMvw>
- The economics of populism by Dani Rodrik
<https://youtu.be/0VyRiDCO5k4>

5. Organisations and other web-based resources

new economics foundation <http://www.neweconomics.org/> (many freely downloadable reports and books available from this site)

Transition Network <http://www.transitionnetwork.org/about>

New Economy Coalition <http://neweconomy.net/>

Resilience.org (Post-Carbon Institute) <http://www.resilience.org/>

P2P Foundation <http://p2pfoundation.net/>

FEASTA (Foundation for the Economics of Sustainability) <http://www.feasta.org/>

What Then Must We Do? (Gus Alperovitz) <http://whatthenmustwedo.org/>

BALLE (Business Alliance for Local, Living Economies) <https://bealocalist.org/>

Democracy Collaborative - <http://democracycollaborative.org/>

Upstream podcasts <https://www.upstreampodcast.org/about>

American Independent Business Alliance - <https://www.amiba.net>

B-Corp - <https://bcorporation.net/about-b-lab>

Economy for the Common Good - <https://www.ecogood.org/>

RIPESS - <http://www.ripess.org/http://www.ripess.org/>