

Thinking about Politics at University? Reading Ideas...

As you know, the most important thing to stay up to date with politics. If you are not already doing it, follow [@TaptonGovPol](#), where links to relevant articles are regularly tweeted.

Here is a reminder of some of the best ways to keep up with politics:

Websites	Podcasts	Email updates
<p>News apps – BBC, Sky and Guardian all have excellent free news apps.</p> <p>Broadsheet newspapers are all worth reading regularly - Times, Telegraph, Guardian, Independent, New York Times (some have paywalls). There are also good news websites from political magazines, like the New Statesman, the Spectator, the Atlantic and Foreign Affairs.</p> <p>There are some other good news websites, like Buzzfeed, Huffington Post or Slate.</p> <p>All of these are also available in print form.</p>	<p>New Statesman Politics Times Red Box Inside Briefing Talking Politics The Edition (Spectator Radio) Radio Atlantic Worst Year Ever Can He Do That? Guardian Politics CityMetric Pod Save America SlowBurn Throughline Political Thinking American Election: Wicked Game Today in Focus Reasons to be Cheerful</p>	<p>There are a number of places where you can sign up to email newsletters – these are an excellent way of following the news. They will give you a summary of the key news, along with links to some of the best writing that day. My personal favourites are:</p> <p>Morning Call by the New Statesman Evening Blend by the Spectator On Politics by the New York Times Atlantic Daily by the Atlantic Red Box by the Times Inews Daily by the I</p>

Reading Recommendations:

1984 – George Orwell

The Prince – Nicolo Machiavelli

The Righteous Mind – Jonathan Haidt

Democracy in America – Alexis Du Tocqueville

The Shock Doctrine – Naomi Klein

Why We Get the Wrong Politicians – Isabelle Hardman

The Communist Manifesto – Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels

Reflections on the Revolution in France – Edmund Burke

On Liberty – J S Mill

The Prime Ministers: Reflections on Leadership from Wilson to May – Steve Richards

The Making of Modern Britain – Andrew Marr
All Out Way: The Full Story of Brexit – Tim Shipman
The Road to Somewhere – David Goodhart
American Caesars – Nigel Hamilton
The People's History of the United States – Howard Zinn
The Nine: Inside the Secret World of the Supreme Court – Jeffrey Toobin
State of Africa – Martin Meredith
Prisoners of Geography – Tim Marshall
Guns, Germs and Steel – Jared Diamond
Modern China: A Very Short Introduction – Rana Mitter

TV and Film Recommendations:

The West Wing
Madam Secretary
Designated Survivor
Yes Minister/Yes Prime Minister
The Thick of It
In the Loop
House of Cards
Last Week Tonight with John Oliver
Have I Got News for You
The Mash Report
Scandal
All the President's Men
Primary Colours
The Politician
The Good Wife / The Good Fight
Election