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READING LIST

Course Title: Göbekli Tepe: Exploring New Ideas and Evidence
Location: Ewert House, Oxford
Term Dates: 27 Feb 2026 to 27 Mar 2026
Tutor: Jade Whitlam

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
Akkermans, P.M.M.G.	<i>Prehistoric Western Asia (In The Oxford History of the Ancient Near East (2006). K. Radner, N. Moeller and D.T. Potts (eds).)</i>
Lee Clare	<i>Göbekli Tepe, Turkey. A brief summary of research at a new World Heritage Site (2015–2019) (e-Forschungsberichte des DAI, 1–13 (2020))</i>
Schmidt, K.	<i>A Neolithic Site in Southeastern Anatolia (In S. R. Steadman, & G. McMahon (Eds.), The Oxford Handbook of Ancient Anatolia (pp. 917-933). (2011) Oxford: Oxford University Press.)</i>

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

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- Caletti, C. C. *Göbekli Tepe and the sites around the Urfa Plain (SE Turkey): Recent discoveries and new interpretations (2020). Asia Anteriore Antica. Journal of Ancient Near Eastern Cultures, 2, 95-123.*
- Dietrich L, Meister J, Dietrich O, Notroff J, Kiep J, et al. *Cereal processing at Early Neolithic Göbekli Tepe, southeastern Turkey (2019). PLOS ONE 14(5)*
- Lee Clare *Inspired individuals and charismatic leaders. Hunter-gatherer crisis and the rise and fall of invisible decision-makers at Göbeklitepe. (2024). Documenta Praehistorica 51: 6-43*
- Sweatman, M. B. *Representations of calendars and time at Göbekli Tepe and Karahan Tepe support an astronomical interpretation of their symbolism. (2024). Time and Mind, 17(3-4), 191-247.*
- Various *<https://www.dainst.blog/the-tepe-telegrams/>*