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Dear offer holders,

Congratulations once again on your offer to study Human Sciences at Wadham College. I am the current Acting Director of Studies for Human Sciences at Wadham. Next year, this post will be held by Dr Cyril C. Grueter. Before I leave, I want to give you a summer reading list including some of my favourite books that I have read over the past few years. There is no pressure to read them, but they are all related to Human Sciences in some way and will be valuable resources for your studies. They are listed below.

Geronimus, A. T. (2023). *Weathering: The extraordinary stress of ordinary life in an unjust society*. London, UK: Hachette.

Sandel, M. J. (2020). *The tyranny of merit: What's become of the common good?* London, UK: Penguin Books.

Wilkinson, R., & Pickett, K. (2010). *The Spirit Level: Why Equality is Better for Everyone*. London, UK: Penguin Books.

I hope you find these books interesting and inspiring. Please do not hesitate to reach out with questions – you can always reach me via my personal email (listed above), even if I am no longer based at the University of Oxford. I wish you all the best in the coming years – enjoy it!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Arran J. Davis'.

Dr Arran J. Davis