



READING LIST FOR MA EXAMS FOR STUDENTS WHO STARTED THE PROGRAM IN AN ACADEMIC YEAR 2025/26

Cluster I: History

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Cluster III: Literature

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