

Great Books at Colby College
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Year	Theme	Author	Selection
1957a	Great Issues	Russell	A Free Man's Worship
1957b	Great Issues	Pascal	Pensees
1957c	Great Issues	Hume	Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion
1957d	Great Issues	Kierkegaard	Fear and Trampling
1957e	Great Issues	Buber	I and Thou
1957f	Great Issues	Bible	Gospel according to Matthew
1958a	Modern Man & His Religion	Eliot, T S	Ash Wednesday
1958b	Modern Man & His Religion	Jung	Modern Man in Search of a Soul
1958c	Modern Man & His Religion	Sartre	The Flies
1958d	Modern Man & His Religion	Buber	Between Man and Man
1958e	Modern Man & His Religion	Hesse	Siddhartha
1958f	Modern Man & His Religion	Tillich	The Religious Situation
1959a	??	Jeffers	Night
1959b	??	Thomas	Do Not Go Gently into that Good Night
1959c	??	Malinowski	Magic, Science and Religion
1959d	??	Schrodinger	What is Life?
1959e	??	Falkner	The Bear
1959f	??	Cassirer	Language and Myth
1960a	The Republic	Plato	The Republic
1961a	War and Peace	Various	Community of Fear
1961b	War and Peace	Various	A World Without War
1961c	War and Peace	Homer	The Iliad
1961d	War and Peace	Augustine	City of God, Part V
1961e	War and Peace	Kant	Perpetual Peace
1961g	War and Peace	Freud	Civilization and Its Discontents
1962a	Insights into Man	Cassirer	Essay on Man
1962b	Insights into Man	Chaucer	Canterbury Tales
1962c	Insights into Man	Marlowe	The Tragedy of Dr Faustus
1962d	Insights into Man	Dostoyevsky	Notes From the Underground
1962e	Insights into Man	Aristotle	Physics
1963a	The Cardinal Virtues	Plato	Protagoras
1963b	The Cardinal Virtues	Dante	Inferno
1963c	The Cardinal Virtues	Cervantes	Don Quixote
1963d	The Cardinal Virtues	Franklin	The Autobiography
1964a	Ethics	Stendhal	The Red and the Black
1964b	Ethics	Ibsen	An Enemy of the People
1964c	Ethics	Kant	Foundation of the Metaphysics of Morals
1964d	Ethics	Neitzsche	Beyond Good and Evil
1964e	Ethics	Bible	Deuteronomy
1965a	Eastern Religions	Watts	Zen Flesh, Zen Bones
1965b	Eastern Religions	Lao Tzu	The Way of Life
1965c	Eastern Religions	Anonymous	The Upanishads
1965d	Eastern Religions	Confucius	The Sayings
1965e	Eastern Religions	Anonymous	The Teachings of the Compassionate Buddha
1965f	Eastern Religions	Otto	Mysticism East and West
1966a	Crime and Punishment	Coleridge	Rhyme of the Ancient Mariner
1966b	Crime and Punishment	Dostoyevsky	Crime and Punishment
1966c	Crime and Punishment	Ibsen	Ghosts
1966d	Crime and Punishment	Kafka	The Trial
1967..	Aristotle's Nicomachean Ethics	Aristotle	Nicomachean Ethics
1968a	The Outsider	Conrad	Victory
1968b	The Outsider	Hesse	Steppenwolf
1968c	The Outsider	James, Henry	The Beast in the Jungle
1968d	The Outsider	Gide	Lafcadio's Adventures

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1968e	The Outsider	Camus	The Stranger
1969a	Perceiving the External World	Moore	Some Main Problems of Philosophy
1969b	Perceiving the External World	Ayer	The Foundations of Empirical Knowledge
1969c	Perceiving the External World	Austin, J L	Sense and Sensibility
1969d	Perceiving the External World	Ryle	The Concept of Mind
1969e	Perceiving the External World	Strawson	Individuals
1970a	Revolution	Trotsky	The Russian Revolution
1970b	Revolution	Malraux	Man's Fate
1970c	Revolution	Camus	The Rebel
1970d	Revolution	Fanon	The Wretched of the Earth
1970e	Revolution	Weiss	Marat-Sade
1971a	Counter-Culture	Ginsberg	Howl
1971b	Counter-Culture	Hoffman	Revolution for the Hell of It
1971c	Counter-Culture	Wolfe	The Electric Acid Kool-Aid Test
1971d	Counter-Culture	Laing	The Politics of Experience
1971e	Counter-Culture	Roszak	The Making of a Counter-Culture
1971f	Counter-Culture	Toynbee	A Study of History
1972a	Man's Symbols	Cassirer	Mythical Thought
1972b	Man's Symbols	Neihardt	Black Elk Speaks
1972c	Man's Symbols	Eliade	Myths, Dreams, and Mysteries
1972d	Man's Symbols	Gide	Theseus
1972e	Man's Symbols	Jung	Memories, Dreams and Reflections
1973a	The World of Art	Joyce	Portrait of the Artist as a Young man
1973b	The World of Art	Weiss	The World of Art
1973c	The World of Art	Cassirer	Mythical Thought
1973d	The World of Art	Hemingway	The Old Man and the Sea
1973e	The World of Art	Stevens	Peter Quince at the Clavier
1973f	The World of Art	Van Gogh and Stone	Dear Theo
1974a	The World of Shakespeare	Shakespeare	Henry V
1974b	The World of Shakespeare	Shakespeare	As You Like It
1974c	The World of Shakespeare	Shakespeare	Measure For Measure
1974d	The World of Shakespeare	Shakespeare	Othello
1974e	The World of Shakespeare	Shakespeare	King Lear
1974f	The World of Shakespeare	Shakespeare	The Tempest
1975a	In Search of Self	Plato	Phado
1975b	In Search of Self	Whitman	Song of Myself
1975c	In Search of Self	Freud	Introduction to Psychoanalysis
1975d	In Search of Self	Hesse	Denian
1975e	In Search of Self	Erickson	Childhood and Society
1976a	Ways of Life	Benedict	Patterns of Culture
1976b	Ways of Life	Goodman	Communitas
1976c	Ways of Life	Skinner	Walden II
1976d	Ways of Life	Carey	The Horse's Mouth
1976e	Ways of Life	Chardin	The Phenomenon of Man
1977a	Man's Quest	Buber	Between Man and Man
1977b	Man's Quest	Frankl	Man's Search for Meaning
1977c	Man's Quest	Kafka	The Castle
1977d	Man's Quest	Ibsen	The Doll's House
1977e	Man's Quest	Gilgamesh	The Epic of Gilgamesh
1977f	Man's Quest	Yeats	Lapis Lazulli
1978a	The Limits of Reason	Hamsun	Mysteries
1978b	The Limits of Reason	Jaspers	Reason and Existenz
1978c	The Limits of Reason	Rilke	The Notebooks of Malte Larids Brigge
1978d	The Limits of Reason	Casteneda	A Separate Reality

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1978e	The Limits of Reason	Suzukion	Manual of Zen Buddhism
1979a	Relationship: A Categorical imperative	Aristotle	Nicomachean Ethics, Books VIII & IX
1979b	Relationship: A Categorical imperative	Sartre	No Exit
1979c	Relationship: A Categorical imperative	Buber	I and Thou
1979d	Relationship: A Categorical imperative	Forster	A Passage to India
1979e	Relationship: A Categorical imperative	Bettelheim	The Empty Fortress
1979f	Relationship: A Categorical imperative	Dickinson	Poems
1980a	Man and the Sea	Conrad	Typhoon
1980b	Man and the Sea	Carson	The Sea Around Us
1980c	Man and the Sea	James, William	Principles of Psychology
1980d	Man and the Sea	Apollonius of Rhodes	The Voyage of the Argo
1980e	Man and the Sea	Synge	Riders to the Sea
1980f	Man and the Sea	Arnold	Dover Beach
1981a	Modern Visions	Halkl	The Hidden Dimension
1981b	Modern Visions	Lessing	Thye Marriages between Zones 3, 4, and 5
1981c	Modern Visions	Goffman	The Presentation of Self in Everyday Life
1981d	Modern Visions	Albee	Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf
1981e	Modern Visions	Ogden & Richards	The Meaning of Meaning
1981f	Modern Visions	Comings e e	Poems
1982a	Communicating across Cultures	Condo & Seito	Communicating across Cultures for What?
1982b	Communicating across Cultures	Kang	The Grass Roof
1982c	Communicating across Cultures	Levi-Strauss	Tristes Tropiques
1982d	Communicating across Cultures	Marquez	One Hundred Years of Solitude
1982e	Communicating across Cultures	Fugard	Boesman and Lena
1982f	Communicating across Cultures	Lal	The Farce of the Drunk Monk
1983a	Fact and Fancy	Plato	Dialogues (selections)
1983b	Fact and Fancy	Kant	Prolegomena to Any Future Metaphysics
1983c	Fact and Fancy	Spenser	The Faerie Queen Book I
1983d	Fact and Fancy	Shakespeare	A Midsummer Night's Dream
1983e	Fact and Fancy	Lagerkvist	The Sybil
1983f	Fact and Fancy	Tolkein	Tree and Leaf
1984a	Mann's Journey	Capra	The Tao of Physics
1984b	Mann's Journey	Barrett	Irrational Man
1984c	Mann's Journey	Mann	The Magic Mountain
1985a	The Republic	Plato	The Republic
1986a	The Mind's I	Meredith	An Essay on Comedy
1986b	The Mind's I	Bergson	Laughter
1986c	The Mind's I	Moliere	The Misanthrope
1986d	The Mind's I	Hofstadter & Dennet	The Mind's Eye
1987a	The Family	Murdock	Culture and Society
1987b	The Family	Verga	The House by the Medlar Tree
1987c	The Family	Laing	The Politics of the Family
1987d	The Family	Forster	Howard's End
1987e	The Family	Pinter	The Homecoming
1987f	The Family	Wordsworth	Intimations of Immortality
1988a	Then and Now	Plato	Symposium
1988b	Then and Now	Tillich	The Dynamics of Faith
1988c	Then and Now	Heisenberg	Physics and Philosophy
1988d	Then and Now	Dostoyevsky	The Brothers Karamazov
1989a	Looking Ahead	Bible	Ecclesiastes
1989b	Looking Ahead	Wilder	The Skin of Our Teeth
1989c	Looking Ahead	Ferguson	The Aquarian Conspiracy
1989d	Looking Ahead	Bohm	Wholeness and the Implicate Order

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1989e	Looking Ahead	Spinne	The Universe is a Green Dragon
1989f	Looking Ahead	Heraclitus	Fragments
1990a	Knowledge	Plato	Theaetetus
1990b	Knowledge	Goethe	Faust, Part I
1990c	Knowledge	Freud	On the Interpretation of Dreams
1990d	Knowledge	Whitehead	The Aims of Education
1990e	Knowledge	Buber	Between Man and Man
1990f	Knowledge	Eliot, T S	Four Quartets
1991a	Meeting One's Self	Proust	Remembrance of Things Past
1991b	Meeting One's Self	Shakespeare	King Lear
1991c	Meeting One's Self	Marcus Aurelius	Meditations
1991d	Meeting One's Self	Turgenev	Fathers and Sons
1991e	Meeting One's Self	Woolf	A Room of One's Own
1992a	A Different Voice	De Pissan	The Treasure of the City of Ladies
1992b	A Different Voice	Wollstonecraft	Vindication of the Rights of Woman
1992c	A Different Voice	Woolf	To the Lighthouse
1992d	A Different Voice	De Beauvoir	The Second Sex
1992e	A Different Voice	Gilligan	In a Different Voice
1992f	A Different Voice	Various	Poetry on a Different Voice
1993a	Can the Truth Be Learned	Bible	Genesis
1993b	Can the Truth Be Learned	Plato	Timaeus
1993c	Can the Truth Be Learned	Eiseley	The Immense Journey
1993d	Can the Truth Be Learned	Hegel	Introduction to the Philosophy of History
1993e	Can the Truth Be Learned	Kierkegaard	Philosophical Fragments
1993f	Can the Truth Be Learned	Broch	The Death of Virgil
1994a	Solitude	Storr	Solitude
1994b	Solitude	Defoe	Robinson Crusoe
1994c	Solitude	Emerson	Society and Solitude; The Transcendentalist
1994d	Solitude	Lindbergh	Gift from the Sea
1994e	Solitude	Richards	Centering
1994f	Solitude	Whitman	Song of Myself
1995a	Democracy in America	De Toqueville	Democracy in America
1995b	Democracy in America	James, Henry	Daisy Miller
1995c	Democracy in America	Miller	Death of a Salesman
1995d	Democracy in America	Forster	Two Cheers for Democracy
1996a	The Future is an Illusion	Plato	Phado
1996b	The Future is an Illusion	Dante	Inferno
1996c	The Future is an Illusion	Pico della Mirandola	Oration on The Dignity of Man
1996d	The Future is an Illusion	Freud	The Future of an Illusion
1996e	The Future is an Illusion	Ellison	The Invisible Man
1996f	The Future is an Illusion	Shakespeare	Sonnets 113 129 130 137 141 148
1997a	The Unexamined Life is Not Worth Living	Thucydides	History of the Peloponnesian War
1997b	The Unexamined Life is Not Worth Living	Aristophanes	Lysistrata; The Birds; The Clouds
1997c	The Unexamined Life is Not Worth Living	Aristotle	Politics, Book I
1997d	The Unexamined Life is Not Worth Living	Aquinas	Treatise on Law Questions 90-97
1997e	The Unexamined Life is Not Worth Living	Montaigne	Good & Evil / Custom & Law / Ed of Children
1997e	The Unexamined Life is Not Worth Living	Montaigne	Pedantry / Cannibals / Folly-Truth & Error
1997f	The Unexamined Life is Not Worth Living	Rousseau	Social Contract Books I & II

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1998a	??	Aristotle	Metaphysics: On Potency
1998a	??	Plotinus	On Potentiality and Actuality
1998b	??	Pollack	Signs of Life
1998c	??	Descartes	Meditations I, II, III
1998d	??	Porter	The Old Order
1998e	??	Erickson	Identity and the Life Cycle
1998f	??	Basho	The Narrow Road to the Deep North
1999a	??	Moliere	Tartuffe
1999b	??	Kant	Fundamental Principles of the Metaphysics of Morals
1999c	??	Hallie	Lest Innocent Blood Be Shed
1999d	??	Neitzsche	Beyond Good and Evil
1999e	??	Shaw	Major Barbara
1999f	??	Dostoevsky	The Dream of a Ridiculous Man
2000a	Utopia	Moore	Utopia
2000b	Utopia	Bellamy	Looking Backwards
2000c	Utopia	Hobbes	Leviathan Book I & II
2000d	Utopia	Capek	R U R (Rossum's Universal Robots)
2000e	Utopia	Bible	Book of Revelation Chapters 20 & 21
2000f	Utopia	Yeats	The Second Coming
2000f	Utopia	Elliot T S	The Journey of the Magi
2001a	The Truth of Myth	Buber	Images of Good and Evil
2001b	The Truth of Myth	Melville	Moby Dick
2001c	The Truth of Myth	Shakespeare	Coriolanus
2001d	The Truth of Myth	Cicero	Discussions at Tusculum
2001e	The Truth of Myth	Emerson	Fate
2001f	The Truth of Myth	Baudelaire	Flowers of Evil (Fleurs de Mal)
2002a	??	Schopenhauer	The Wisdom of Life
2002b	??	Butler	The Way of All Flesh
2002c	??	Shakespeare	Henry IV Parts 1 & 2
2002e	??	James Henry	The Pupil
2002f	??	Bishop	Poems
2003a	Doubt and Belief	De Unamuno	Tragic Sense of Life
2003b	Doubt and Belief	Dostoyevsky	The Brothers Karamazov (Selections)
2003d	Doubt and Belief	Neitzsche	Thus Spake Zarathustra
2003e	Doubt and Belief	Kafka	The Investigations of a Dog
2003f	Doubt and Belief	Larkin	Poems
2004a	No Ordinary Time	Roosevelt	Great Speechs
2004b	No Ordinary Time	Steinbeck	Grapes of Wrath
2004c	No Ordinary Time	Arendt	Origins of Totalitarianism
2004d	No Ordinary Time	Goldman	Anarchism & Other Essays
2004e	No Ordinary Time	Weisel	Night
2004f	No Ordinary Time	Agee & Evans	Let Us Now Praise Famous Men
2005a	The Fool	Erasmus	Praise of Folly
2005b	The Fool	Cervantes	Don Quixote
2005c	The Fool	Trenchard & Gordon	Cato's Letters (Selections)
2005d	The Fool	Heller	Catch 22
2005e	The Fool	Singer	Gimple the Fool
2006a	Deja Lu	Buber	I and Thou
2006b	Deja Lu	Kafka	The Trial
2006c	Deja Lu	Plato	Symposium
2006d	Deja Lu	Shakespeare	The Tempest
2006e	Deja Lu	Woolf	To the Lighthouse
2006f	Deja Lu	Whitman	Song of Myself
2007a	Thresholds of Science	Thoreau	Walden

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2007b	Thresholds of Science	Darwin	Origin of Species & Descent of Man
2007c	Thresholds of Science	Kuhn	The Structure of Scientific Revolutions
2007d	Thresholds of Science	Jewett	The Country of the Pointed Firs
2007e	Thresholds of Science	McKibbin	The End of Nature
2007f	Thresholds of Science	Ibsen	An Enemy of the People
2008a	Morality of Self	Spinoza	Ethics, Part IV
2008b	Morality of Self	Eliot	Middlemarch
2008c	Morality of Self	James	The Art of Writing
			Eminent Victorians (General Gordon & Florence Nightingale)
2008d	Morality of Self	Strachey	Nightingale)
2008e	Morality of Self	Browning	"Andrea Del Sarto" & "Fri Lippo Lippi"
2009a	Art of War	Sun Tzu	The Art of War
2009b	Art of War	Tolstoy	War and Peace
2009c	Art of War	Virginia Woolf	Three Guineas
2009d	Art of War	Tim O'Brien	The Things They Carried
2009e	Art of War	Owens and Others	Poetry selections