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READING LIST

Course Title: Queens and Empresses - Female Rulers of the Eighteenth Century
Location: Online, None
Term Dates: 16 Jan 2023 to 27 Mar 2023
Tutor: Stewart Tolley

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
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Beem, Charles	<i>Queenship in Early Modern Europe</i>
Hunt, Margaret	<i>Women in Eighteenth Century Europe (A much more general book about the role of women in eighteenth century Europe but there is also some focus on the role that female rulers played)</i>
Monter, William	<i>The Rise of Female King's in Europe, 1300-1800 (Particularly chapters 6 'Husband's Subordinated' and 7 'Ruling Without Inheriting')</i>
Orr Campbell, Carissa (ed.)	<i>Queenship in Europe, 1660-1815</i>

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Alexander, John, T.	<i>Catherine the Great: Life and Legend</i>
Bearne, Catherine Mary	<i>A Sister of Marie Antoinette: The Life Story of Maria Carolina, Queen of Naples</i>
Crankshaw, Edward	<i>Maria Theresa</i>
Curtis, Benjamin	<i>The Habsburgs (Read Chapter 9)</i>
Curtiss, Mina	<i>A Forgotten Empress: Anna Ivanova and her Era, 1730-1740</i>
Curzon, Catherine	<i>Queens of Georgian Britain (Act III - Charlotte of Mecklenburg-Strelitz)</i>
Edward Armstrong	<i>Elizabeth Farnese "The Termagant of Spain" (Old book but still an important study)</i>
Erickson, Carolly	<i>To the Scaffold: The Life of Marie Antoinette</i>
Fraser, Antonia	<i>Marie Antoinette (A good overview)</i>
Goldstone, Nancy	<i>The Shadow of the Empress (Chapter 11 - Queen of Naples)</i>
Gregg, Edward	<i>Queen Anne</i>
Harlow, Janice	<i>The Strangest Family: The Private Lives of George III, Queen Charlotte and the Hanoverians</i>
Massie, Robert, K.	<i>Catherine the Great: Portrait of a Woman</i>
Michael Bregnsbo	<i>Queenship in Early Modern Europe - Chapter 13 (Chapter on Danish Absolutism and Queenship)</i>
Montefiore, Simon Sebag	<i>The Romanovs: The Story of Russia and its Empire -Act 2 Scene 2 (A good overview for Empress Anna of Russia)</i>
Montefiore, Simon Sebag	<i>The Romanovs: The Story of Russia and its Empire -Act 2 Scene 3 (Overview of the reign of Empress Elizabeth)</i>
Newitt, Malyn	<i>The Braganzas: The Rise and Fall of the Ruling Dynasties of Portugal and Brazil, 1640-1910 (Read Chapter 8)</i>
Noel, Charles C.	<i>Queenship in Early Modern Europe - Chapter 6 (Chapter on Elizabeth Farnese and the Spanish Monarchy 1701-1759)</i>
Rice, Tamara Talbot	<i>Elizabeth, Empress of Russia</i>
Roberts, Jennifer	<i>The Madness of Queen Maria: The Remarkable Life of Maria I of Portugal</i>
Somerset, Anne	<i>Queen Anne</i>

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Wilkins, William Henry *A Queen of Tears: Caroline Matilda, Queen of Denmark and Norway and Princess of Great Britain and Ireland (I recommend the Kindle edition on Amazon)*