Cultural Anthropology Bibliography

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This bibliography is a list of what the faculty consider to be major ethnographic and/or theoretical contributions to the field. As you look at them you should consider their impact on the field. **The books on the list are important background reading to help prepare you for the General MA exams.** These books should supplement what you are covering and learning in your coursework. Indeed, portions of some of these works may very well be assigned in your classes.

We have selected works by a wide range of scholars, anthropologists and non- anthropologists alike. Students should be aware of other works published by these scholars both before and after the ones included here. In addition the faculty recommends that you review the Annual Review of Anthropology and other key journals for articles that capture theoretical/empirical trends relevant to your own work.

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