

Reading List for Lecture 1: Economics and Politics of Coercion and Discrimination (Daron Acemoglu)

This reading list is extensive, to give you the background and some of the relevant literature (and include most of the papers cited in the lecture). The most relevant works are starred.

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