



Literature for MESS16, Social Sciences and Sustainability applies from the autumn semester 2025

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Social Sciences and Sustainability, 7.5 credits

MESS16 litteraturlista fastställd av LUCSUS styrelse den 4 juni 2025.

Course literature

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Students will be assigned one of the following three books as part of their book seminar assignment:

1. Robeyns, I. (2024). *Limitarianism: The case against extreme wealth*. Penguin. 336 pages.
2. Liboiron, M. (2021) *Pollution is colonialism*. Duke University Press. 211 pages.
3. Malm, A (2021) *How to blow up a pipeline*. London: Verso. 208 pages.

Total number of pages

Approx. 1100 (including book, using 250 pages as average)

Author gender balance

The gender balance (female or non-binary to male first author) is approximately 50/50. Female authors highlighted in yellow, non-binary in blue.