**School of Biosciences**

**Suggested reading list for incoming first year students**

Most books are available through Amazon, but a couple have been made available via the University library; the links are provided below, and once you are set up on the University system, you will be able to access them. Happy reading, and we look forward to meeting you when teaching starts.

General interest:

* Horizons. A Global History of Science James Poskett ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Horizons-History-Science-James-Poskett/dp/0241986265/ref%3Dsr_1_1?crid=7GVPYOR813LC&dib=eyJ2IjoiMSJ9.prAl9MY0FFKirev71qS14YoAUWM-SdCtLmaMzFZZYcREurIZzD0aQ73hi0ARi_xP.V2fA7ZeuhUZdREd_1ZV098RY5SPwUAd2piqtRcCglVI&dib_tag=se&keywords=horizons+poskett&qid=1716545188&sprefix=horizons+poskett%2Caps%2C77&sr=8-1))
* The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks – Rebecca Skloot ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Immortal-Life-Henrietta-Lacks/dp/0307888444/ref%3Dsr_1_5?crid=D61UHKWJUYXI&dchild=1&keywords=the+immortal+life+of+henrietta+lacks&qid=1586775179&sprefix=Immortal+life%2Caps%2C141&sr=8-5))
* The Panda’s Thumb: More Reflections in Natural History – Stephen Jay Gould ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Pandas-Thumb-Reflections-Natural-History/dp/0393308197))
* The Strange Case of the Spotted Mice: and Other Classic Essays on Science – Peter Medawar ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Strange-Case-Spotted-Mice-Classic/dp/019286193X))
* Regenesis – George Church and Ed Regis ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Regenesis-Synthetic-Biology-Reinvent-Ourselves/dp/0465075703))
* Inferior – Angela Saini ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Inferior-Science-Women-Research-Rewriting/dp/0008172021))
* Superior – Angela Saini ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Inferior-Science-Women-Research-Rewriting/dp/0008172021))
* Why Big Fierce Animals are Rare - Paul Colinvaux ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Why-Big-Fierce-Animals-Rare/dp/0691023646))
* How the Zebra got its Stripes - Leo Grasset ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/How-Zebra-Got-its-Stripes/dp/1781256292/ref%3Dsr_1_2?dchild=1&keywords=How+the+Zebra+got+its+Stripes&qid=1589191076&s=books&sr=1-2))

Of particular interest to specific programmes:

* The Chemistry of Life – Steven Rose ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Chemistry-Life-Penguin-Press-Science-ebook/dp/B002RI9EP0/ref%3Dsr_1_6?dchild=1&keywords=biochemistry+lane&qid=1586775879&sr=8-6)) (Biochemistry, Biomedical Science, Pharmacology)
* The Vital Question – Nick Lane ([E-book available via the University Library](https://library.liv.ac.uk/record%3Db7149941~S8)) (Biochemistry)
* I Contain Multitudes : The Microbes Within Us and a Grander View of Life - Ed Yong ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Contain-Multitudes-Microbes-Within-Grander/dp/1784700177/ref%3Dsr_1_1?adgrpid=52194922734&dchild=1&gclid=Cj0KCQjwzZj2BRDVARIsABs3l9Ig6az5p4s9llrB5tsWZnxJzphXkmq2Cu6qZ1vA5h5Rv4KBeMhUVjsaAnCqEALw_wcB&hvadid=259143633790&hvdev=c&hvlocphy=9046492&hvnetw=g&hvqmt=e&hvrand=11472695165031783734&hvtargid=kwd-307961185850&hydadcr=11436_1787577&keywords=i+am+multitudes&qid=1590083787&s=books&sr=1-1)) (Microbiology)
* All That Remains: A Life in Death - Sue Black ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/All-That-Remains-Life-Death/dp/0857524925)) (Anatomy)
* Ancestors in our Genome - Eugene Harris ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Ancestors-Our-Genome-Science-Evolution/dp/019094191X)) (Anatomy)
* Life Unfolding - Jamie Davies ([E-book available via the University Library](https://library.liv.ac.uk/record%3Db7149942~S8)) (Anatomy)
* Dr Tatiana’s Advice to All Creation – Olivia Judson ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Tatianas-Sex-Advice-All-Creation/dp/0099283751/ref%3Dsr_1_1?crid=A2SNRYI6PYE9&dchild=1&keywords=dr+tatiana%27s+sex+advice+to+all+creation&qid=1589795241&sprefix=dr+tat%2Caps%2C217&sr=8-1)) (Zoology)
* The Red Queen – Matt Ridley ([Amazon](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Red-Queen-Evolution-Penguin-Science/dp/0140167722/ref%3Dsr_1_1?dchild=1&keywords=red+queen+ridley&qid=1589795292&sr=8-1)) (Zoology)