



DECOLONIZE

PHILOSOPHY

Philosophy and academia  
has purposefully excluded  
voices from marginalised  
people for years.

To decolonise, we must discuss what it  
means for philosophy to be in fact  
colonised.

Histoically, Eurocentrism and its  
asserted racial and ethnic  
origins/misrepresentations of  
philosophy's history. Non-white  
and non-western traditions and  
ideas were seen as primitive and  
invalid, and so were not included  
within academic settings. Even  
when marginalized people became  
part of academic institutions,  
learning about non-white or non-  
male philosophy was never seen as  
essential to a well rounded  
philosophical education but  
something 'extra' or niche. This  
represents an ongoing systemic  
oppression and unwillingness to  
restructure and examine biases  
and gaps within education that  
fail to tell the whole story.

At Durham, we must seek a  
philosophical education  
that is inclusive and wide  
ranging.

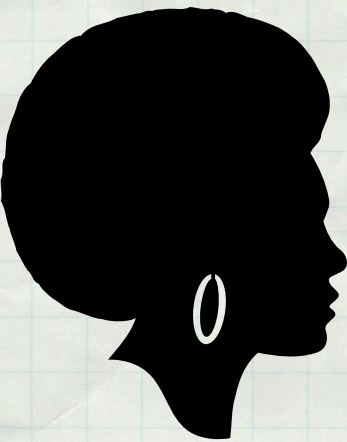
Do not worry, we are not  
getting rid of Plato or  
Kant! But we should ask  
why they are considered  
more important than Amo or  
Franz Fanon. Why is it  
philosophers who do not  
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are more important than  
philosophers who do not?

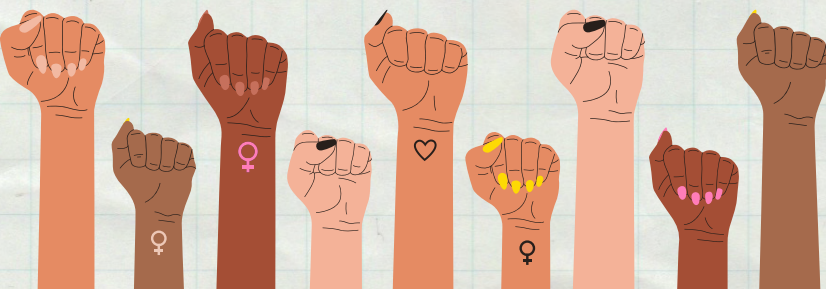






**In our world, divide and  
conquer must become  
define and empower.” –  
Audre Lorde**

In the essence of justice, equity and a well rounded education,  
decolonising education is essential to achieve these goals and  
make us all better philosophers!

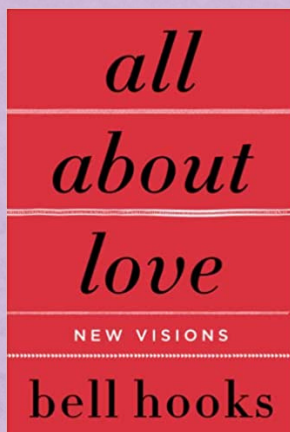


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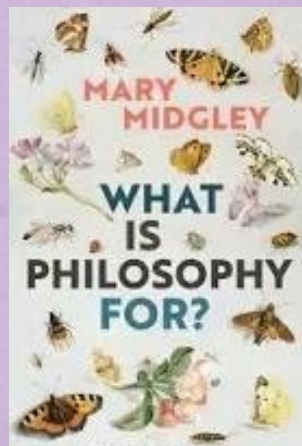
## Reading Recommendations

An easy way to begin your decolonisation journey in philosophy is how we do most things in philosophy - reading!

Most of whom we consider to be important or canonical reading lists. So, here are some essentials reads!



All about Love  
by bell hooks



What is  
Philosophy  
For? by Mary  
Midgley

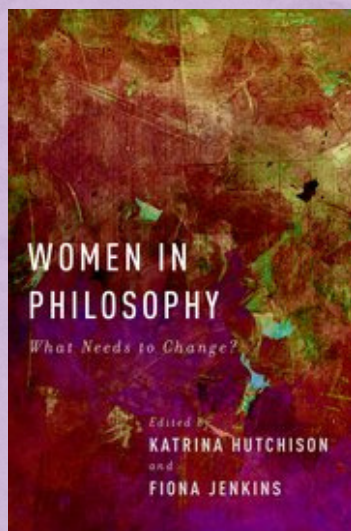
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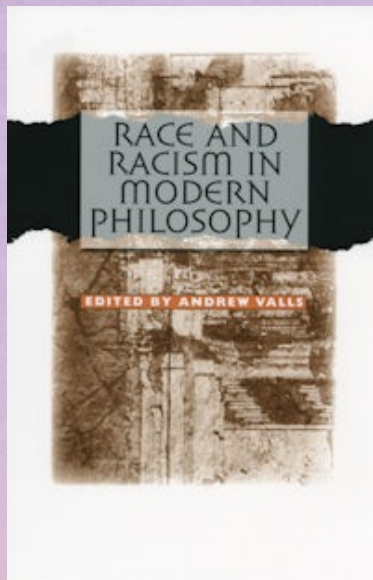
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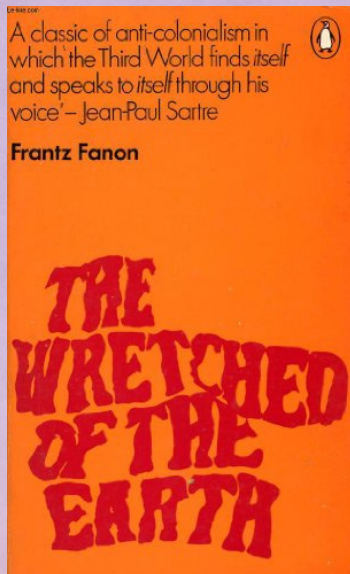
Gender Trouble by  
Judith Butler



Women in Philosophy

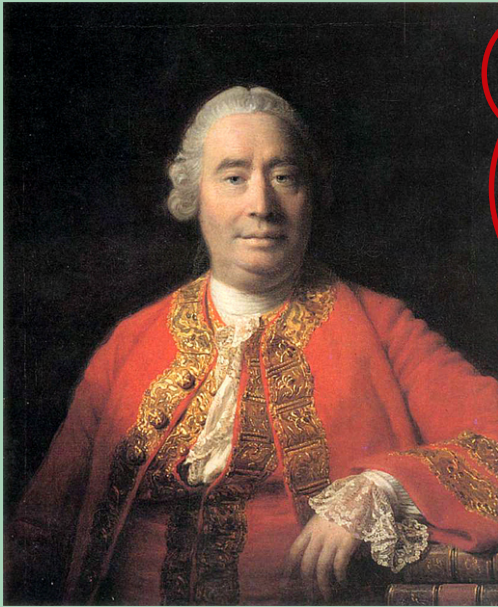


Race & Racism in  
Modern Philosophy



Wretched of the earth  
by Frantz Fanon

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Art is for art's sake!

Art is for life's sake!







When we revolt it's not for  
a particular culture. We  
revolt simply because, for  
many reasons, we can no  
longer breathe - Frantz  
Fanon



POWER



If you view equity  
as a threat, you  
should re-examine  
your moral  
framework!

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