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Some Useful Sources
Social Justice and Public Policy

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1 Key texts
A basic introduction to political philosophy, covering social justice and related issues well is:
Kymlicka, W. (2002), *Contemporary political philosophy: an introduction*, 2nd edition, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

A fuller collection of readings of key theorists is:
Kymlicka, W. (1992), *Justice in Political Philosophy*, 2 Volumes (Volume I: *Mainstream Theories of Justice*; Volume II: *Critiques and Alternatives*), Edward Elgar Publishing.

2 A further discussion of theoretical and policy debates can be found in:
Miller, D. (1999), *Principles of Social Justice*, Cambridge, MA and London: Harvard University Press.
Rawls, J. (1971), *A Theory of Justice*, Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.
Young, I.M. (1990), *Social Justice and the Politics of Difference*, Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

3 The following texts explore the relationship between social justice and social policy:
Barry, B. (2005), *Why Social Justice Matters*, Cambridge: Polity.
Commission on Social Justice (1994), *Social Justice: Strategies for National Renewal*, London: Vintage.

4 Current concerns about the limits of state and individual responsibility for securing welfare and social justice are given new insights in the following challenging text:
White, S. (2003), *The Civic Minimum*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

5 Texts setting out the basic premise of the social model of disability and exploring links with social justice include:
Oliver, M. (1990), *The Politics of Disablement*, Basingstoke: Macmillan.
Corker, M. and Shakespeare, T. (eds) (2002), *Disability/postmodernism: Embodying Disability Theory*, London: Continuum.
Riddell, S. and Watson, N. (eds) (2003), *Disability, Culture and Identity*, Harlow: Pearson Education.
Thomas, C. (1999), *Female Forms: Experiencing and Understanding Disability*, Milton Keynes: Open University Press.

6 Articles in the following journal special editions have addressed disability, social justice and issues of representation and distribution:

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'Disability and the restructuring of welfare: employment, benefits and the law', *Critical Social Policy*, 20: November 2000.
'Disability politics: representation and voices in the policy process', *Policy and Politics*, 30: July 2002.
Disability and Society is the key international journal devoted to the development of disability studies as a discipline.

7 Texts synthesising official statistics in relation to disabled people's access to a range of social goods include:
Riddell, S. and Banks, P. (2001), *Disability in Scotland*: *A Baseline Study*, Edinburgh: Disability Rights Commission.
Riddell, S., Banks, P. and Tinklin, T. (2004), *Disability and Employment in Scotland*: *A Review of the Evidence Base*, Edinburgh: Scottish Executive.

8 Useful websites
http://www.drc-gb.org
http://www.scotland.gov.uk/indicatorsofprogress2003
http://www.dwp.gov.uk/publications/dwp/2003/nap/nap.pdf
http://www.legislation.hmso.gov.uk/acts/acts1995/ukpga_19950050_en_1.htm
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