Ron Crouch Books of Interest - July 2016

American Amnesia: How the War on Government Lead Us to Forget What Made America Prosper - Jacob Hacker - March 2016 (Government programs have been important for the success of our democracy)

Dark Money: The Hidden History of Billionaires Behind the Rise of the Radical Right - January 2016 - Jane Mayer (How conservative billionaires have influenced politics and government)

Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City - Matthew Desmond - March 2016 (How housing for the poor and eviction has made profits for investors)

Falling Short: The Coming Retirement Crisis and What to do About It - Alicia Munnell and others - December 2015 (Most are not prepared to be able to retire in the future)

Makers and Takers: The Rise of Finance and the Fall of American Business by Rana Foroohar - May 2016 (The takers are not the poor but the wealthy)

Moral Tribes: Emotions, Reason and The Gap Between Them and Us - Joshua Greenes - October 2013 (The politics of dividing groups of people against each other)

Rewriting the Rules of the American Economy: An Agenda for Growth and Prosperity - Joseph Stiglitz and others - November 2015 (A progressive discussion and list of what needs to be done to address social and economic issues we face)

Seven Bad Ideas: How Mainstream Economists have Damaged America and the World - Jeff Madrick - September 2014 (Discussion of economic beliefs that have lead to bad economic decisions)

The Age of Greed: The Triumph of Finance and the Decline of America, 1970 to the Present - Jeff Madrick - May 2011 (The reality of greed rather than the common good driving our economy)

The Betrayal of the American Dream - Donald Barlett and James Steele - October 2013 (The forces behind the destruction of America's middle class)

The Case for Big Government - Jeff Madrick - February 2010 (Government programs have been important and served the public well)

The Entrepreneurial State: Debunking Public Vs Private Sector Myths - Mariana Mazzucato - October 2015 (Government has been a major player in the success of our society and innovations to serve the public)

Who Stole the American Dream - Hedrick Smith - August 2013 (The causes of the growing inequality in America)

Winner-Take-All-Politics: How Washington Made The Rich Richer and Turned Its Back On the Middle Class - Jacob Hacker - March 2011 (The burden of making a living, health care, retirement etc. have been shifted to employees and away from employers)