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War and Society Reading List, 1500—Present

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NOTE: In addition to the titles here, students should familiarize themselves with the important journals in the field, especially *The Journal of Military History* and *War & Society*, in addition to relevant articles in more general history journals.

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