

2025

M.A. 1st Semester Examination
HISTORY

Paper : HISC403X0

(Research Methodology and Ethics)

Full Marks : 50

Time : Two Hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers
in their own words as far as practicable.*

Illustrate the answer wherever necessary.

Group - A

Answer any *two* questions : 10×2=20

1. Discuss the 'hypothesis testing' and 'questioning sources strategy' in historical research.
2. Discuss the definition, nature, and scope of philosophy. How do its major branches contribute to understanding human experience and knowledge?
3. What do you understand by the term 'research design'? Highlight its significance in conducting systematic research.

Or,

Examine the advantages and disadvantages of interview as a technique of data collection.

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4. Discuss the major steps in research.

Group - B

Answer any *four* questions : 5×4=20

5. How do you evaluate primary sources?

Or,

How does the Library help in finding resources for research?

6. What is moral philosophy? How do moral judgements differ from ordinary value judgements?
7. How is historical reasoning different from ethical reasoning?
8. Explain the concept of research questions in social science research.
9. What are the limitations of visual sources in conducting historical research?
10. What is the primary difference between a narrative and parenthetical in-text citation in APA?

Or,

Define publication ethics and write its importance.

Internal Assessment : 10 marks
