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UNIVERSITY REGULAR EXAMINATIONS 2013/2014 ACADEMIC YEAR 1st YEAR 1ST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

MASTER OF ARTS

COURSE CODE: HIS 801

COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

DATE: 18TH AUGUST, 2014 TIME: 2:00P.M. – 5:00P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

• Attempt 4 questions, choosing 2 from each section

SECTION A

- 1. Analyze the meaning and classification of the concept of research.
- 2. Using relevant examples, discuss the factors that influence the formulation of an appropriate research topic in history.
- 3. Examine the meaning and relevance of the following concepts in a history research proposal
 - (a) Statement of the problem
 - (b) Objectives of the study
 - (c) Research questions/Hypothesis
 - (d) Research methodology
- 4. To what extent can ethnography be employed as a method of obtaining data in history?

SECTION B

- 5. Evaluate the relevance of interviews in a history research process.
- 6. Analyze the steps that can be taken to ensure objectivity in history research and analysis.
- 7. Examine the merits and demerits of any source of history your have studied.
- 8. Using the APA (American Psychological Association) style of referencing, write the following entries
 - (a) A book by one author
 - (b) A book by two or three authors
 - (c) A book by more than four authors
 - (d) An article published in an edited work
 - (e) An article published in a journal
 - (f) An article in a newspaper
 - (g) A work published on the internet
 - (h) A work published in the Encyclopedia
 - (i) Two or more books by one author
 - (j) A book by unknown author