

HIST 211



FACULTY OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES

Course: **HIST 211: HISTORICAL METHOD**

TIME: 2HRS

Instructions to Candidates: answer question one and any two other questions

Question one 30 marks

- a) **Define the following terminologies in relation to Historical methods (6marks)**
 - i) Historical Research
 - ii) Causation
 - iii) Linear progression
- b) **Identify and explain three major scope of History (4mks)**
- c) **“History is a House in which other subjects dwell” Justify (12marks)**
- d) **History as a subject is quite different from sciences due its concepts and principles. Highlight the differences that exists between the two disciplines (8 marks)**

Question Two 20 marks

- a) **Give the main advantages of electronic sources of information (4 marks)**
- b) **Highlight the advantages and disadvantages of Historical research (16 marks)**

Question Three 20 marks

- a) **Define Cyclical Theory of Evolution (8marks)**
- b) **State and describe the Assumptions of unilinear theory of Evolution (12 marks)**

Question Four 20 marks

- a) **What is objectivity in History? (2 marks)**
- b) **State and describe the Factors that Contribute to Subjectivity in History (18 marks)**

Question Five 20 marks

Historians claimed that without a ‘concept of causation there can be no history’. Critically examine this statement by giving supportive arguments **(20 marks)**