

**Fourth Semester FYUGP Degree (Reg) Examination April
2026**

**KU4DSCHIS208/KU4DSCSSH208 - PERSPECTIVES ON
HISTORIOGRAPHY
2024 Admission onwards**

Time : 2 hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Section A

Answer any 6 questions. Each carry 3 marks.

1. Fernand Braudel
2. Total history
3. Edward Gibbon.
4. Greatman Theory in History
5. The Social Contract
6. Tacitus
7. Life of Agricola
8. The City of God

Section B

Answer any 4 questions. Each carry 6 marks.

9. Describe how Voltaire differed from medieval historians in his approach to history.
10. Explain the contributions of Edward Gibbon to modern historical writing.
11. Explain how Rousseau's philosophy influenced the interpretation of history.
12. Herodotus is known as 'Father of History'. Comment
13. Explain St. Augustine's concept of the "City of God" and its significance in medieval historical thinking.
14. Discuss the concept of cyclical theory of history as explained by Ibn Khaldun.

Section C

Answer any 2 questions. Each carry 14 marks.

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15. Discuss the contributions of Karl Marx to historical writing and explain the significance of his materialist approach.
16. Critically analyse the contributions of Auguste Comte to the development of Positivism in historical writing
17. Evaluate the contributions of Stephen Greenblatt in the development of New Historicism