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Second Semester M.A. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. – O.B.E. – Reg./Supple./Imp.)
Examination, April 2026
(2023 Admission Onwards)

HISTORY

MAHIS02C05 : History and Theories

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 60

SECTION – A
(Essays)

Answer **any two** questions.

1. Discuss Historical Materialism as proposed by Karl Marx and how it differs from Hegelian Idealism.
2. Examine the contribution of the Annales School to the development of Total History.
3. Explain Max Weber's concept of ideal types and its relevance to historical analysis.
4. Analyse Michel Foucault's contribution to post-structuralism and his ideas on power and knowledge. (2×10=20)

SECTION – B
(Short Essays)

Answer **any five** questions.

5. What is the Berlin Revolution in historiography associated with Leopold von Ranke ?
6. Explain Antonio Gramsci's theory of Cultural Hegemony.
7. Describe the "History of Mentalities" as explored by Robert Mandrou.
8. What are social facts according to Emile Durkheim ?

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9. Discuss the significance of Oral History as a method in modern historiography.
10. Explain Jacques Derrida's method of Deconstruction.
11. Define New Historicism and its approach to literary and historical texts. (5×5=25)

SECTION – C
(Short Essays)

Answer **any five** questions.

12. Define positivism.
13. Marc Bloch.
14. What is "History from Below" ?
15. Edward Said.
16. What is "New Social History" ?
17. Jurgen Habermas.
18. Hayden White.
19. Eurocentrism.

(5×3=15)