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FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF MASTER  
OF ARTS IN HISTORY

**HIST 802: HISTORICAL METHOD I**

**STREAMS: MA (HIST) (Y1S1)**

**TIME: 3 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 15/04/2020**

**8.30 A.M. – 11.30 A.M.**

**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer any FOUR questions**

1. Discuss the factors one should consider when choosing a research topic [15 marks]
  2. Analyze the role of the following components of a research proposal [15 marks]
    - (a) Literature review
    - (b) Statement of the problem
    - (c) Statement of objectives
  3. What purpose do secondary sources serve in primary research? [15 marks]
  4. Examine oral evidence as a source of historical data [15 marks]
  5. Distinguish between internal and external criticism of a document [15 marks]
  6. Discuss how a history researcher develops hypothesis [15 marks]
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