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EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF
ARTS IN HISTORY

HIST 812: METHODS IN HISTORY I

STREAM: R

TIME: 3 HRS

DAY: TUESDAY [8.30 A.M-11.30 A.M]

DATE: 03/02/2026

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INSTRUCTIONS: Answer FOUR questions

QUESTION ONE

You have been asked to reconstruct the history of women in Kenya, 1890-2010

- i) Formulate the appropriate title of the study. **(3 marks)**
- ii) Design the objectives of the study and research premises. **(4 marks)**
- iii) Select the relevant theory relevant to this study. **(4 marks)**
- iv) Design the methodology involved in research. **(4 marks)**

QUESTION TWO

Discuss in detail the essential components of a research proposal. **(15 marks)**

QUESTION THREE

Discuss the process and nature of interviews and preparations of narratives. **(15 marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

Account for the factors to be considered in selecting a suitable research topic in history. **(15 marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

Given oral, archival and secondary sources, discuss how you could use the three in the production of your masters thesis. **(15 marks)**

QUESTION SIX

Discuss merits and demerits of different sources of historical data you have learnt in class. **(15 marks)**