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EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF
ARTS IN HISTORY

HIST 813: HISTORIOGRAPHY I

STREAM:

TIME: 3 HRS

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

DATE: 2/2/2026

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INSTRUCTIONS: Answer FOUR questions.

QUESTION ONE

How does “historiography” differ from history? **(15 marks)**

QUESTION TWO

Analyze the work of EITHER Herodotus OR Thucydides **(15 marks)**

QUESTION THREE

Discuss the main characteristics of Classical Historiography. **(15 marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

What is the nature of Christian historiography? **(15 marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

Medieval historiography was mainly influenced by a society in which change was so slow that it was almost undetectable”. Discuss **(15 marks)**

QUESTION SIX

Examine the rise and development of Renaissance Historiography **(15 marks)**

QUESTION SEVEN

Who were the rationalist historians? What mainly defined their history writing? **(15 marks)**