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## MAIN EXAMINATION

## JANUARY – APRIL 2015 TRIMESTER

#### FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

#### DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

#### HST 402: PHILOSOPHY OF HISTORY

 Date:
 APRIL 2015
 Duration: 2 Hours

 Instructions:
 Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions

Q1. Discuss the relationship between historical and philosophical knowledge. a) (15 marks) Distinguish between critical and speculative philosophy of history. b) (15 marks) Q2. Discuss the positivist and relativists debates in history. (20 marks) Q3. Examine the limits of subjectivity in the reconstruction of historical knowledge. (20 marks) Q4. Analyse the concept of historical explanation and it relevance in the reconstruction of historical knowledge. (20 marks) Q5. Discuss the idea of historical progress. (20 marks) Q6. Analyse the universality of historical knowledge. (20 marks)

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