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MAIN EXAMINATION

MAY – JULY 2018 TRIMESTER

FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES - HISTORY

PART TIME PROGRAMME

HST 502: PHILOSOPHY OF HISTORY

Date: JULY 2018

Duration: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer any FOUR Questions

- Q1. What do you understand by the term philosophy of history and why do we study this discipline? **(15 marks)**
- Q2. Distinguish between the positivist and relativist interpretation of history. **(15 marks)**
- Q3. Examine the concept of objectivity as understood by historians. **(15 marks)**
- Q4. Explain the idea of causation in history. **(15 marks)**
- Q5. Examine the major features of Greco-Roman philosophy of history. **(15 marks)**
- Q6. Assess the Christian philosophy of history and its contribution to our understanding of the historical process. **(15 marks)**
- Q7. Examine the impact of Renaissance and humanist thought on philosophy of history. Give examples. **(15 marks)**
- Q8. Examine the major features of the Marxist interpretation of history **(15 marks)**

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