SYLLABUS FOR
M.PHIL. HISTORY
( SEMESTER PATTERN )
( For Candidates admitted in the Colleges affiliated to Periyar University from 2017-2018 onwards )
REGULATIONS

OBJECTIVE

The ultimate object of the course is to help our students bring out an original piece of work through training in selection of significant topics, collection of relevant data for the research and presentation of the conclusion of the research convincingly and meaningfully.

ELIGIBILITY

Candidates who have qualified for post graduate degree of this University or any other University Recognized by the syndicate as equivalent there to shall be eligible to register for the degree of Master of Philosophy (M.Phil) in their respective subject and undergo the prescribed course of study in an approved institution.

Candidates who qualified their post graduate degree on or after 1st Jan 1991 shall be required to have obtained minimum of 55% marks in their respective postgraduate degree to become eligible to register for the degree of Master of Philosophy (M.Phil) and undergo the prescribed course of study in an approved institution or department of this University.

For the candidate belonging to SC/ST community and those who have qualified for the master's degree before 01.01.1991 the minimum eligibility marks shall be 50% in their masters degree.

DURATION

The duration of the M.Phil course shall extent over a period of one year from the commencement of the course.
EXAMINATIONS

1. University will conduct the examinations for the Paper – I and Paper –II at the end of first semester
2. Supervisor or guide will provide syllabus and 2 sets of question paper should be sent to the University and the university will conduct the examination for paper-III at the end of the first semester.
3. Passing minimum in each paper is 50%

For Theory Paper : Internal Marks - 12
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Total 50
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THEORY PAPERS

Total Marks for each paper is 100. 25 marks for internal and 75 marks for University examination. The internal assessment may be in the form of the combinations if periodical tests and seminars for the theory paper- the components are

1. Attendance - 5 marks
2. Test - 10 marks
3. Seminar - 10 marks

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25 marks
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Dissertation

The marks for the dissertation is 200 and the components are

EVALUATION

1. Evaluation of the Project - Internal (Guide) - 50 marks
2. Evaluation of the project - External examiner - 100 marks
3. Viva – Voce conducted by the
   Supervisor (or guide) and the
   External Examiner - 50 marks

Total Marks 200 marks

Dissertation should be valued by the supervisor and the external examiner.

Viva-Voce should be conducted by the supervisor and the external examiner.

QUESTION PAPER PATTERN

The question paper is divided in to two parts

PART – A consists of 5 questions, one from each UNIT with internal choice. Each question carries 5 marks. All question should be answered. The marks for PART A is 25.

PART – B consists of 5 questions, one from each UNIT with internal choice. Each question carries 10 marks. All question should be answered. The marks for PART A is 50.

Question paper pattern for the Guide paper is (Paper – III) decided by the supervisor.
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PART I

PAPER I - HISTORIOGRAPHY

UNIT-I


UNIT-II


UNIT-III


UNIT-IV


UNIT-V

REFERENCES:


12. Manickam. S. History and Historical Methods

13. Rajayyan. K. History its Theory and Method


15. Sen. S.P. Historians and Historiography of Modern India,

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PART I

PAPER II - RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

UNIT-I


UNIT-II


UNIT-III


UNIT-IV


UNIT-V

REFERENCES:

3. C. Manickam – Historiography and Historical Methods, Madurai, 2000
4. E. H. Carr – What is History
6. C. H. Philips – Historian of India
7. N. Subramanian – Historiography
8. S. P. Sen - Historians and Historiography
11. Ranajit Guha – The Sabaitan Studies
MODEL QUESTION PAPER
M.Phil. HISTORY
HISTORIOGRAPHY

Time: 3 Hours  Total Marks: 75

SECTION – A
(5X5=25)

Answer All the Questions
Each answer should not exceed 150 words

1. (a) Define the scope and nature of history. (Or)
   (b) Explain the uses and abuses of history.

2. (a) Write a note on Livy as a historian. (Or)
   (b) Sketch the life and career of Ibn Khaldun

3. (a) Write a note on Kalhana. (Or)
   (b) Explain the services of R.C. Dutt to historical writing.

4. (a) Comment on British Imperialist Historiography. (Or)
   (b) Briefly describe the Cambridge Historiography.

5. (a) Assess the contribution of Marc Bloch as a historian. (Or)
   (b) Explain the salient features of Modernism.

SECTION – B
(5X10=50)

Answer any THREE of the following
Each answer should not exceed 500 words.

6. (a) “History is a Science, no less, no more”. Elucidate. (Or)
   (b) Trace the interaction between history and the allied disciplines.

7. (a) Assess the role of Thucydides as a pioneer in Greek Historiography. (Or)
   (b) Explain the contribution of Voltaire to Enlightenment Historiography.

8. (a) Write an essay on James Mill. (Or)
   (b) Assess the contribution of D.D. Kosambi to Indian Historiography.

9. (a) Write an essay on the contribution of Indian Nationalist Historiography. (Or)
   (b) Assess the contribution of Ranajit Guha to Subaltern Historiography.

10. (a) Explain the contribution of E.P. Thomson to British Marxist Historiography. (Or)
     (b) Bring out the importance of Postmodernism.
MODEL QUESTION PAPER
M.Phil. HISTORY
RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Time: 3 Hours  Total Marks: 75

SECTION – A  
(5X5=25)

Answer All the Questions

Each answer should not exceed 150 words

1.  a. Explain the meaning of philosophy of History (or)
    b. What are the uses and abuses of History

2.  a. Give an account of the maxist school of historiography (or)
    b. Indicate the characteristics of the Sabaltern studies

3.  a. Estimate the contributions of R.C.Majumdar to Indian Historiography (or)
    b. Point out the significance of the historical works of K.M.Pnnikkar

4.  a. Write briefly about the 'cliometricians' (or)
    b. Highlight the importance of the primary sources in historical research

5.  a. Expand the abbreviations, 'loc.cit' and 'op.cit' and indicate their meaning (or)
    b. Enumerate the various kinds and purposes of footnotes

SECTION – B  
(5X10=50)

Answer any THREE of the following

Each answer should not exceed 500 words.

6.  a. Discuss the nature and scope of history with suitable example (or)
    b. Describe whether the history is science or art

7.  a. Evaluate the contributions of Herodotus to the Greek Historiography (or)
    b. list out the Characteristics of the Roman Historiography

8.  a. Estimate the contributions of Edward Gibbon to the Enlighten Historiography (or)
    b. Elucidate the historical works of Thomas Carlyle

9.  a. Describe the kinds of sources (or)
    b. Why is review off literature is essential in historical research.

10. a. Illustrate the significance of objectivity in writing history. (or)
    b. Indicate the various stages of writing a thesis in history.