

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2014

TITLE OF PAPER: RESEARCH METHODS IN HISTORY

COURSE CODE: H 610

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER *THREE (3)* QUESTIONS IN ALL. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.

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2. Why is plagiarism considered a cankerworm in scholarship and how can it be avoided?

3. Critically examine the place of Oral sources in the reconstruction of African history.

4. What is the specificity of the **Nature of History** and how does this impact on historical methodology?

5. Critically examine the components and importance of a research proposal in historical scholarship.