

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY: DIBRUGARH UNIVERSITY

Course Structure

| Course Code | Course Title | Course Type | No. of Credits |
|-------------|---------------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| 10100 | Research Methodology | Core | 4 |
| 10200 | Indian Historiography | Optional | 4 |
| 10300 | Western Historiography | Optional | 4 |
| RPE | Research and Publication Ethics | Core | |

Each student shall have to opt any two of the two optional courses

| Course Title: Research Methodology | | Course Code: 10100 | | |
|---|--|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Marks 100 (In Sem. 40, End Sem. 60) | | | | |
| Unit | Topics | Number of Lectures | Number of Tutorials | Number of Practical |
| Unit-1 | 1.Development of Social Sciences in Historical perspective 2.Science and Scientific Research 3. Theories of scientific Research 4.Research Ethics | 12 | | |
| Unit-2 | Basics of Empirical research and Data Collection 1. Research Design, Research Proposal and Literature review 2. Research Question, Hypothesis and testing hypothesis | 12 | | |
| Unit 3 | Data Collection and Data Analysis 1. Sampling, Interviews and Questionnaires, Survey research, Case research, Experimental Research, Interpretative research 2. Qualitative Analysis 3. Quantitative Analysis | 11 | | |
| Unit 4 | 1. Fact and the Historian, Primary Source and Secondary Source. 2. Internal Criticism and External Criticism, 3. Causation in History, Historical Explanation, Objectivity in History, Scientific' History and Problem of Objectivity, Historicism. | 12 | | |
| Unit 5 | Interdisciplinary Approach and History Writing: 1. Making of the Archive and use of Archival sources 2. History and other Social Science disciplines 3. Feminist Historiography and methodological issue 4. History of non-Literate societies and oral traditions 5. Environmental History and History if Disease and Medicine 6. Emerging Trends: History of Sports. History of Entertainment. History of Diaspora. | 13 | | |
| Total | | 60 | | |

Reading list:

1. Maithree Wickramasinghe- Feminist Research Methodology, Making Meanings of Meaning-Making, Zubaan
2. Roger Gomm- Key Concepts in Research Methods, Palgrave McMillan
3. John W. Creswell- Research Design: Qualitative, Quantitative, and Mixed Methods Approaches, Sage, Rs.495.00
4. Uwe Flick- An Introduction to Qualitative Research, Sage,
5. K.N. Chitnis- Research Methodology in History, Atlantic Books,
6. V.K. Srivastava- Methodology and Fieldwork (Sociology and Social Anthropology), Oxford University Press,
7. Larry B. Christensen- Research Methods, Designs and Analysis, Pearson Education,
8. Tony Taylor & Sue Collins- Historical Research Methodology, Auris Reference
9. Karen Harvey- History and Material Culture: A Student's Guide to Approaching Alternative Sources, Routledge,

| Course Title: Indian Historiography 10200 | | Course Code: | | |
|--|---|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Marks 100 (In Sem. 40, End Sem. 60) | | | | |
| Unit | Topics | Number of Lectures | Number of Tutorials | Number of Practical |
| Unit 1. | Early and Medieval Indian Historical Traditions i. <i>Rajatarangini, Srinagar, 2007</i> ii. <i>Ain I Akbari, New Delhi</i> iii. Buranji literature: (i) <i>The Ahom Buranji</i> (translated by G.C. Barooah), Guwahati, 1985 (ii) <i>Satsari Asam Buranji, 1964</i> iv. <i>Charit Puthi – Guru Charit Katha – (ed) Maheshwar Neog, Guwahati</i> v. <i>Darrang Raj Vamsavali (ed) N. Sarma,Guwahati, 1973</i> | 12 | | |
| Unit 2. | Colonial Discovery of India’s Past and Nationalist Response i. Sir William Jones and Asiatic Society of Bengal ii. James Mill – <i>History of British India</i> iii. Vincent Smith - <i>Early History of India, Oxford, 1924</i> Nationalist Response – iv. R.C. Dutt – <i>A History of Civilization in Ancient India and Economic History of India</i> v. K. P. Jayawal – <i>Hindu Polity, Calcutta, 1924</i> vi. A.S. Altekar – <i>Position of Women in Hindu Civilization, New Delhi</i> | 13 | | |
| Unit 3. | Marxist and Post Colonial Historiography Indian Marxist Historiography i. R.D.Dutt – <i>India Today, New Delhi</i> ii. D.D. Kosambi – <i>An Introduction to the study of Indian History and Myth and Reality, Bombay, 1957</i> iii. The Feudal Debate in Indian History iv. Irfan Habib- <i>Essays in Indian History, New Delhi – 1995</i> Subaltern and Post Colonial Historiography v. R. Guha (ed) – <i>Subaltern Historiography Vol. 1 -1 (selected readings) Oxford.1982</i> vi. R. Guha – <i>Elementary Aspects of</i> | 11 | | |

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| | <p><i>Peasant Insurgency</i> , Oxford. 1982</p> <p>vii. P. Chatterjee – <i>Nation and Its Fragments</i>, New Delhi</p> <p>viii. T. R. Metcalf – <i>Ideologies of the Raj</i>, New Delhi, 1998</p> | | | |
| Unit 4 | <p>Development of Modern Historiography in North- East India (a)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Colonial Ethnographic Accounts – W, Robinson’s <i>A Descriptive Accounts of Assam</i>, New Delhi – 1975, <i>The Kacharis</i> - S Endle, New Delhi – 1975, <i>The Topography of Assam by John M’cosh</i>, New Delhi – 1986 2. Haliram Dhekial Phukan – <i>Assam Buranji</i>, 3. Maniram Dewan – <i>Buranji Vivek Ratno</i>, Dibrugarh University, (ed) Nagen Saikia’s – 2002 4. Gunaviram Barua – <i>Asam Buranji</i>, Guwahati- 1972 5. Padmanath G. Baruah – <i>Asomor Buranji</i>, 1976 6. E. Gait- <i>A History of Assam</i>, 1981 | 12 | | |
| Unit 5 | <p>Development of Modern Historiography in North East India (b)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. S.K. Bhuyan – (i) <i>Anglo- Assamese Relations, 1974</i> (ii) <i>Lachit Borphukan and His Times, 1947</i> ii. K.L. Barua – <i>Early History of Kamrupa</i>, 1966 iii. R.M. Nath – <i>Background of Assamese Culture</i>, 1948 iv. H. K. Barpujari – (i) <i>Assam in the Days of the Company, 1980</i> and (ii) <i>Problem of the Hill Tribes : North East Frontier, Guwahati</i> - 1970 v. A. Guha – (i) <i>Planter Raj to Swaraj, Freedom Struggle & Electoral Politics in Assam, 2006</i> and (ii) <i>Medieval and Early Colonial Assam: Society, Polity and Economy, 1990.</i> | 12 | | |
| Total | | 60 | | |

| Course Title: Western Historiography | | Course Code: 10300 | | |
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| Unit | Topics | Number of Lectures | Number of Tutorials | Number of Practical |
| Unit -1 | 1. Institutionalization of History and contribution of Ranke 2. Nation State, Nationalism and Writing of History in Europe | 12 | | |
| Unit 2 | 1. Historical Materialism 2. Development of Marxist historiography : Gramsci 3. World System Theory – Wallerstein 4. Critiques of Marxist Historiography | 12 | | |
| Unit 3 | Annales School 1. Marc Bloch and Lucien Febvre 2. Braudel 3. Annales after Braudel | 11 | | |
| Unit 4 | British Marxist Historians 1. E.J. Hobsbawm 2. E.P. Thompson 3. R.H. Hilton 4. Christopher | 13 | | |
| Unit 5 | Late 20th century Historiography 1. Edward Said and critique of Orientalism 2. M. Foucault and discourse of Knowledge and Power 3. Linguistic turn, Post modernism and Impact on History Writing. | 12 | | |
| Total | | 60 | | |

Suggested Readings:

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| Carr E.H | : <i>What is History?</i> |
| Collingwood R.G. | : <i>The Idea of History.</i> |
| Collingwood, R, G | : <i>The Principles of History.</i> |
| Bloch, Marc | : <i>The Historians Craft.</i> |
| Elton, G.R | : <i>The Practice of History.</i> |
| Gardiner, Patrick (ed) | : <i>The Philosophy of History.</i> |
| Geyl, Pieter | : <i>The Use and Abuse of History.</i> |

Geyl, Pieter : *Debates with Historians.*
 Marwick, A : *The Nature of History.*
 Jenkins, Keith : *Re-thinking History.*
 Hobsbawm, E. J : *On History.*
 Foucault, Michel : *The Archeology of Knowledge.*
 White, Hyden : *The Tropics of Discourse.*
 Skinner, Quentin (ed) : *The Return of Grand Theory in the Human Sciences.*
 Popper, Karl : *The Poverty of Historicism.*
 Arnold, John, H : *History, a Very Short Introduction.*
 Vansena, Jan : *Oral Traditions, A Study of Historical Methodology*
 Thompson, A &
 Parkes, R (ed) : *The Oral History Reader*
 Marx – *Karl Marx on India, New – Delhi, 2006*
 Engel's – *Origin of Family, Private Property and State, Moscow, 1998*
 Karl Popper- *The Poverty of Historicism, New Delhi, 1998*
 Marc Bloch – *Feudalism (2 Volumes), Chikago, 1961*
 Fernand Braudel - *Civilizations*

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The M.Phil. in History shall be of one semester. A student has to register in courses of minimum 16 credits. The course structure is shown below:

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| | Dissertation | Compulsory | 8 |

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