



**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
MAIN EXAMINATION  
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS  
2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS**

**FOR THE DEGREE  
OF  
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN HISTORY**

**COURSE CODE: HIS 901**

**COURSE TITLE: ADVANCED RESEARCH METHODOLOGY IN HISTORY**

**DATE: 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2023**

**TIME: 2.00- 5.00 PM**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer THREE questions

Time : 3 hours

MMUST observes ZERO tolerance to examination cheating.

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### **QUESTION ONE**

Citing at least two professional historians, discuss the salient methodological issues in the discipline of History. (20 marks)

### **QUESTION TWO**

With reference to meta history basing your argument on the relevant theory of history, to what extent is the claim that “history repeats itself” valid? (20 marks)

### **QUESTION THREE**

Citing authoritative sources, discuss the major paradigm shifts in History and Historical research (20 marks)

### **QUESTION FOUR**

With reference to techniques of data collection and data analysis as contained in an acceptable doctoral research proposal, examine the role of computers, archives and oral tradition in historical research. (20 marks)

### **QUESTION FIVE**

Attempt an intelligible summary of any book on aspects of advanced research methodology in History you have read. (20 marks)