

## HIS/126: Introduction to Historiography & Philosophy of History

### 1. **Aims:**

This course focuses on the concept and methodology of history writing. It also orients the students with basic tools and methods of research. It enlightens them with the styles and trends of history writing in ancient, medieval and modern times. It also deals with the basic issues of the philosophy of history.

### 2. **Objectives:**

After studying this course, the students will be able to:

- Develop historical consciousness
- Apprise with the main trends of history-writing
- Create awareness about the major philosophical discourses related to history

### 3. **Contents**

❖ Philosophy of History: Meaning and concept

❖ Islamic concept of History

❖ Critical Philosophy of History

Development of the concept of History in ancient, medieval and modern period with special emphasis on the following historians:

- Herodotus
- Thucydides
- Al-Tabari
- Al-Masudi
- Gibbon
- Ranke

❖ Speculative Philosophy of History

Study of different theories of History in ancient, medieval and modern period with special emphasis on the following:

- Ibn Khaldun
- Vico
- Hegel
- Karl Marx
- Oswald Spengler
- Arnold Toynbee

❖ Modern Trends in History Writing.

### 4. **Basic Readings:**

Collingwood, R.G. The Idea of History. New York, 1966.

Stanford, Michael. A Companion to the Study of History. Oxford, 1994.

### 2. **Additional Readings:**

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