

University of Colombo – Sri Lanka
Faculty of Arts
Second year examination in Arts –semester I 2017/18
HIS 2123 – New Directions in History Writing
Time (o2) two hours

Answer (03) three question only

1. Explain why certain trends in historiography in the twentieth century are identified as New History.
2. Discuss why Annals historiography falls into 'New History' movement.
3. Explain how 'history from below' is important in understanding past societies.
4. In what ways micro history writing is different from traditional history writing?
5. Describe the impact of 'linguistic turn' on history writing by taking Edward Said's "Orientalism" as an example.
6. Was the 'cultural turn' a factor in changing the directions of history writing in the 20th century? Substantiate your answer with examples.