

考試科目	歷史英文	所別	1121, 1126 歷史學系	考試時間	2月25日(六) 第四節
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1. Please read the passage below and answer the following question in English:

“Certainly the historian cannot escape from the present. . . . But he can, even within the limits imposed by his own cultural environment, ensure that our view of the past is not distorted by fraud, by evident prejudice or by simple error.”

Comment on the passage, providing specifics about how a historian can protect against fraud, prejudice, and error. Be specific and give details. (25%)

2. Please read the passage below and answer the following questions in English:

History “embraces all of man’s activities – economic, religious, political, artistic, legal, military, scientific – everything, indeed, that affects the life of mankind.”

- A. In 2012, what do you believe is the dominant trend in historical scholarship? Be specific and give details. (25%)
- B. Discuss the historical questions that you expect to write about for your MA thesis. Be specific and give details. (25%)

3. Please read the passage below and answer the following question in English:

“One of the most marked features of Western society since the 1960s has been the success of excluded social groups in securing access to the instruments of cultural power.”

Discuss the broadening of history to include formerly “excluded social groups.” You maybe consider non-Western historiography. Be specific and give details. (25%)

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