東吳大學 101 學年度碩士班研究生招生考試試題

第1頁,共1頁

系級	英文學系碩士班	考試 時間	100 分鐘
科目	英美文學	本科總分	100 分

All the questions should be answered in English.

- I. Please define any SIX of the following literary terms with examples: 60%
- 1. pastoral
- 2. the son of Ben
- 3. dream vision
- 4. the unreliable narrator
- 5. epistolary novel
- 6. the absurd theater
- 7. objective correlative
- 8. concrete poetry
- 9. ode
- 10. the lost generation
- II. Essay Questions: Please answer any <u>TWO</u> of the following questions in consistent, well-organized essays. Remember to express your arguments with supporting textual evidences. 40%
- 1. Please elaborate on the characteristics of the American literature in <u>the colonial period</u> in terms of their themes, genres and styles and explain how the literary works reflect the British literary legacy, i.e. the influence of the precedent British literary works.
- 2. Please elaborate on the concept of aestheticism and the assertion "art for art's sake" reflected in the 19th-century British literary works. Exemplify your points with at least <u>three</u> literary works, including novels and poetry.
- 3. What does Virginia Woolf mean by "spiritual writer"? Please comment on James Joyce's and William Faulkner's novels in light of Woolf and contrast their writing with any realist novelist's.
- 4. Please compare or contrast the characteristics of the Old English epic *Beowulf* with *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight* and *Faerie Queen* in terms of their thematic concerns and the description of heroic spirit.