

# 淡江大學九十三年學年度博士班招生考試試題

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## Essay questions.

1. The pursuit of a national literature came to fruition during the "American Renaissance." Writers in this period formulated theories or created imaginative literature to write the young nation and themselves into being. Choose a writer from this period and comment on how he or she defines or constructs an American identity. 40%
2. In comparison with their American Romantic predecessors, writers in the years between 1865 and 1914 did manifest a different sensibility in terms of innovations in form, experiments with language and genre, the creation of different types of character, a rich variety of themes and subjects. Discuss writers or texts that best represent this sensibility. 30%
3. William Faulkner's novels are replete with characters who, burdened by memory and guilt, feel the compulsion to tell the same story over and over again. Select one or two of his novels and explain the implications of the story in question and the characters' need to relate the experience. 30%