

National Taiwan University
Graduate Institute of Foreign Languages and Literatures
2016 PhD Program Admissions Examination
Subject: Literary Theory and Criticism

Answer all the following questions by (1) explaining the concept and the approaches signified by it, (2) giving names of the most important theorists/critics representative of them, and especially—i.e. should devote more than half of the proportion of your answer to—(3) choosing one particular approach from the group and illustrating its application in literary criticism by analyzing one particular canonical text of English literature of your choice.

1. The Linguistic Turn. (20%)
2. Cultural Materialism *or* Identity Politics: Choose one. (30%)
3. Deconstruction *or* Post-Freudian Psychoanalysis: Choose one. (30%)
4. One contemporary critical school—i.e. what has emerged after the above—of your choice. (20%)