

# EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA

Third Year First Semester Examination in Arts and Culture –  
2012/2013 (September 2014)



ENG 3101 – Literary Theory

Time: Three Hours

Answer any five questions.

1. Discuss the functions of criticism and the qualification of a critic.
2. Write a detailed note as “Plato as a Critic.”
3. Write brief notes on any four of the followings:
  - a) Legislative Criticism
  - b) Descriptive Criticism
  - c) Sociological Criticism
  - d) Psychological Criticism
  - e) Archetypal Criticism
4. What are the significances of tradition according to T. S. Eliot in his essay “Tradition and Individual Talent?”
5. Why does Wordsworth say that his poems are of different kinds in his “Preface to Lyrical Ballads?” Also discuss the four stages of poetic compositions according to him.
6. Describe the impersonal theory according to T. S. Eliot.
7. Describe the link between “a child at play” and “a creative writer” with respect to Sigmund Freud.