B.A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION MARCH 2017

SEMESTER – 2: CORE COURSE FOR ENGLISH COPY EDITOR

COURSE: 15U2CRENG2: METHODOLOGY OF HUMANITIES AND LITERATURE

(Common for Regular 2016 admission and Supplementary 2015 admission)

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART A

Answer **all** questions, in no more than two/three sentences. Each question carries 1 mark.

- 1. What are the disciplines included in the natural sciences?
- 2. What do you mean by anti-essentialist identity?
- 3. Define symbolic universe.
- 4. In what way are social sciences similar to science?
- 5. How do philosophical texts use narratives?
- 6. What is representation?
- 7. What is a historical narrative?
- 8. What were the defining features of the pedagogical method evolved by I.A. Richards?
- 9. How did Samuel Johnson aid in the development of secular humanism?
- 10. How does T.S. Eliot differentiate between 'author' and 'writer'? (1 × 10 = 10)

PART B

Answer **any eight** of the following questions in three/four sentences. Each question carries 2 marks.

- 11. What is the contribution of Emile Durkheim?
- 12. Max Weber's reaction to positivism.
- 13. Contribution of Terry Eagleton.
- 14. What is discourse?
- 15. How does plot differ from story?
- 16. What is a realist novel?
- 17. What is the main argument of Roland Barthes in 'The Death of the Author'?
- 18. What does Jacques Derrida say about the relative positions of speech and writing?
- 19. What was the position of Edward Freeman vis-à-vis the teaching English literature at Oxford?
- 20. According to Matthew Arnold, what is the function of literary criticism? (2 x 8 = 16)

PART C

Answer **any five** of the following questions in a paragraph. Each question carries 5 marks.

- 21. What is the view of E.H. Carr on objectivity and subjectivity in history?
- 22. What is multilingualism?
- 23. What are the two components of language, according to Ferdinand de Saussure?
- 24. What is digesis? How does it differ from mimesis?

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 $(5 \times 5 = 25)$

- 25. What are the features of digital literature?
- 26. What, according to Peter Barry, are the factors that sowed the seeds of English education?
- 27. How do theorists see 'totalizing' notions?

PART D

Answer **any two** of the following questions in essay from in about 300 words. Each question carries 12 marks.

- 28. What are the similarities and differences between social sciences and natural sciences?
- 29. What is the relation between language and colonialism?
- 30. Write a short note on narrative modes of thinking.
- 31. What are the most frequently occurring ideas in critical theory? (12 x 2 = 24)
