B.A. (HONOURS) ENGLISH (BAEGH)

Term-End Examination

June, 2022

BEGC-105 : AMERICAN LITERATURE

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note: Answer all questions.

SECTION A

Answer any **two** of the following with reference to the context : $2 \times 10=20$

1. Where are these men ? Asleep beneath their grounds:

And strangers, fond as they, their furrows plough.

Earth laughs in flowers, to see her boastful boys

Earth-proud, proud of the earth which is not theirs;

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2. In the Old World, the east the Suez canal, The New by its mighty railroad spann'd The seas inlaid with eloquent gentle wires; Yet first to sound, and ever sound,

the cry with thee O soul.

- 3. We passed the School, where Children strove At Recess — in the Ring —
 We passed the Fields of Gazing Grain —
 We passed the Setting Sun —
- A book I have, a friend gave,Whose pencil, here and there,Had notched the place that pleased him,At rest his fingers are.

SECTION B

Answer any **four** of the following questions in about 300 words each : $4 \times 10=40$

- **5.** Critically evaluate the poem "Death Sets a Thing Significant".
- **6.** Discuss Henrik Ibsen's contribution to the growth of American Drama.
- 7. Write a critical summary of the poem "Brahma".
- 8. Discuss Walt Whitman's art of poetry.
- **9.** Explain Puritan psychology and its influence on modern American character.

SECTION C

Answer any **two** of the following questions in about 500 words each : $2 \times 20=40$

- **10.** Elaborate on the various strategies that Hemingway employs in his short stories to address his concerns.
- 11. Critically evaluate Emily Dickinson's poetry on the basis of poems prescribed in the course.
- 12. Discuss the art of characterisation in All My Sons.