

一、請將下列兩題英文文字翻譯成中文 (50 %)

1. Economists recognize several commonly occurring situations, referred to as market failures, that violate the basic assumptions of the idealized competitive economy and therefore interfere with efficiency in production or consumption. The traditional market failures— public goods, externalities, natural monopolies, and information asymmetries – provide widely accepted rationales for such public policies as the provision of goods and the regulation of markets by government agencies. Economists, until recently, have paid less attention, however, to the plausibility of some of the more fundamental assumptions about the behavior of consumers. For example, economic models usually treat the preferences of consumers as somehow exogenously determined. Is this reasonable? Do consumers always make the right calculations when faced with decisions involving such complexities as risk? The answers may be negative. (25 %)
2. Public administration has gradually come to include policy analysis among its professional activities. One reason is that the large bureaus and vague legislative mandates associated with an expanded public role in society require administrators to choose among alternative policies – they thus become consumers and producers of policy analysis relevant to their own agencies. Another reason lies in the usual absence of a clean separation between politics and administration, Woodrow Wilson’s vision notwithstanding. The administrator must be able to secure resources and defend implementation decisions within the political process. The “new” public administration explicitly abandons the notion that administration should be separate from politics. Its practitioners seek to influence the adoption as well as the implementation of policies. Professional training, therefore, must include methods both for predicting the consequences of alternative policies so that informed choices can be made and for effectively participating in the political process so that the choices can be realized. (25 %)

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