Study Guide: Exam #3

1. Global Social Problems.

a. Problems: inequality, poverty, hunger, disease, environment, slavery, conflict, slums, child soldiers, and conflict.

b. From the first world point of view what are the causes of global social problems and solutions (first world), solutions (another look)

c. Popular Resistance.

d. Terms: Trade agreements, WTO, World Bank, International Monetary Fund, toxic dumping, export processing zones, NAFTA, Chapter 11 Tribunal, structural adjustment plans, privatization, subsidies, tariffs, non-tariff barriers, slums, shantytowns, megacities, debt bondage, ethnic cleansing, MTBE, Methanex, Landless People’s Movement

2. Environment and Social Problems.

a. Global warming: causes, environmental consequences, social problem, “the debate”.

b. Know: connection between environmental problems, social practices, and social problems. In other words what specific social practices etc. cause what specific environmental problems, cause what specific social problems?

c. The Bush administration and the environment: eliminating and “clarifying” environmental rules and regulations; regulatory agencies and appointments.

d. Terms: superfund, land degradation, corral reef bleaching, aquifer, factory farming, cancer cluster, toxic sludge, e-waste, environmental racism, “clarification,” Clear Skies, Healthy Forests, global warming, IPCC.

3. Sex and social problems.

a. Pornography: extent, consequences, justice dept.

b. Teen Sex: extent of problem, trend, comparison, administration policy.

Terms: abstinence only, virginity pledges, decency laws, sodomy laws, Crisis Pregnancy Centers

4. Criminal Justice.

a. Types, examples, and extent: UCR, NCVS, comparison, trend, resources/cost, time.

b. Street crime: perception and treatment, demographics.

c. Race and the criminal justice system.

Terms: UCR, NCVS, capital punishment, DNA, public defenders, contract system, court appointed lawyer, plea bargaining, Sixth Amendment, three strikes, prison industrial complex,

5. Criminal Justice: corporate crime.

a. Definition, types, examples, and consequences.

b. Perception and treatment: media, politicians, civil trials and punishment, regulatory agencies.

c. Terms: tort reform, gag orders, cots-benefit analysis, “revolving door,”

6. War and Social Problems

a. Human costs: death, casualties, humanitarian crises.

b. Financial cost: war, military, military-industrial complex.

c. Blowback: perpetual war, new technologies of destruction, loss of democracy and constitutional rights.