Study Guide #3

1. Race and Inequality

a. Concept of race: colonialism, race science, biological determinism, race as a justification, genetic science and race.

b. Race matters: income/ wealth, occupation, residence, education, health, and health care, war.

c. Institutional racism: definition, causes, consequences.

d. Terms: residential segregation, white flight, black migration, property tax, environmental racism, race, discrimination, prejudice, personal racism.

f. Who benefits from racism?

2. Gender in America

a. Gender: definition, biology vs socialization, behavioral norms, personality traits.

b. Gender: patriarchy in early American society, economic/work, legal, family political, and violence.

c. Gender today: gender socialization, segregation, political, economic/work, education, and violence.

d. Terms: cult of true womanhood, doctrine of two spheres, rule of thumb, conservation of energy, glass ceiling, pink collar jobs, patriarchy.

3. Criminal Justice and “street crimes”.

a. Crime as a significant social problem: media, politicians, average Americans, heavy tv viewers and consequences

b. Types and extent of crime: UCR, NCVS, comparison, trend, resources/cost, time.

c. CJ System: police, prosecutors, judges, juries, and defendants.

d. CJ System and capital punishment: DNA, wrongful convictions, and exonerations.

e. CJ System: Inequality race and gender in the criminal justice system.

f. Terms: UCI, NCVS, public defenders, contract attorneys, mandatory sentencing, determinate sentencing, three srtikes

4. 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, cost-benefit analysis, “revolving door,” “law of nations”

5. Drug use and social problems.

a. Illegal drug use: definition, extent, hypocrisy, power and labeling

b. War on drugs: goals, means, consequences.

c. Decriminalizing drug use: goals, means, consequences.

d. Drugging our children: trend, reasons, consequences.

6. Solving Social Problems

a. Vital interests and needs.

b. American institutions: economic, political, mass media, education, health, criminal justice, war.

c. Social action: social movements and social progress.

1. Global Social Problems

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

b. The “story of globalization”: ideologies, goals, institutions, and agreements.

c. Reality (economic imperialism, neocolonialism): contradictions, goals, methods, consequences d. Demographic movement: rural to urban, reasons, consequences.

e. 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.

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.

c. War and democracy: idea of freedom, Bill of Rights, due process, WWI, WWII, Cold War,

Vietnam War.

d. Operation Iraqi Freedom and American democracy: Patriot Act, TIPs, Domestic Security Enhancement Act

e. Terms: “Four Freedoms”, Sedition Act, EO9066, Bill of Rights, depleted uranium, agent orange, genocide, ethnic cleansing, PTSD, shake and bake, enemy combatants, Military Commissions Act, FISA court, sneak and peak, dirty tricks, COINTELPRO