

ASOC 203

Unit II

Apr 2nd

EXAM 2

Review sheet for exam 2

Your exam may include (but is NOT limited to) the following:

Be familiar with:

Bittner's definition of police- defined by capacity to use force, police discretion is a necessary and positive police attribute

Intermediate Sanctions- Holding area between courts. EX. Comm service, boot camp, etc.

Deterrence Doctrine- explanation of the nature of crime and if the sentenced punishment actually deters crime in future.

- a. When parts of punishment are greater than the reward of crime.
- b. Rational person sentenced with free will
- c. Punishment should be sufficiently swift and severe

The criminal court process- refers to process under criminal law that usually starts with conviction and ends with a charge.

1. Arrest/Police interactions
2. Decision to Prosecute
3. Preliminary Hearings/Defendant enters plea
4. Trial
5. Sentencing by judge

Probation- Conditional release of a convicted offender into the community under the supervision of a probation officer and subject to certain conditions.

Parole-a systems whereby eligible inmates can earn early release and serve the remainder of their sentence in the community under the supervision of a parole officer.

Incapacitation- placing offenders behind bars during prime crime time of life reduces likelihood of further crime.

- a. Collective incapacitation- prevent by imprisoning all

- criminals
b. Selective incapacitation-target repeat offenders

Boot camps- Possibility as an Intermediate Sanction

Community Policing- form of policing that instead of using real cops people in communities are taking charge to prevent crime before they occur. Involves cooperation of police and community.

Be able to answer the following:

1. Be familiar with dynamics of human trafficking discussed in class
 - Main functions- labor and sex trafficking/prostitution
 - Major problem- illegal immigration usually occurs
 - Commonly Trafficked-Economic and Politically disabled families and the young in those groups
 - Current policies and law cannot keep up the amount of prostitution.
2. Be familiar with details of New York State vs. Ralph Tortorici
 - Happened on SUNY Albany campus, one man took a classroom hostage and said he had to tell the president something. One injured person that wrested the gun from the shooter. Man was arrested and not guilty by reason of insanity and lack of proper mental health. Later committed suicide in jail
3. Be able to distinguish between legal and social criteria that police use in determining formal or informal (remedial) procedures.
 - Legal- Severity of offense, frequency, violence, weapons, sexual
 - Social (Extra Legal)-Race, Age, Ethnicity, socio-economic status
 - Age,sex, is a consistent and strong predictor of crime.
4. How many suspects do police arrest?
15-20%
5. What are ways to improve policing?
Focus on hotspots for crime, then notice crime displacement that usually occurs. Maybe try community policing
6. Be familiar with major findings of Wilson and Kelling's study.
Broken Window Theory, states that maintaining and monitoring urban environments in good condition may stop

7. Be familiar with prisoner characteristics in the United States
2 million imprisoned, highest in world
93% males,
45% black, 18% Latino,
68% not complete HS
24% are drug offenders
8. How many parolees return to prison?
40-55%
Probation 14-30%
9. Which Amendment of the Constitution provides indigent offenders counsel?
Sixth, Habeas Corpus offers counseling for those who are poor and needy
10. Be familiar with key findings from Harris (Scarpitti et al.).
-Racial Profiling is high amongst black drivers and have much greater chance of getting pulled over than whites.
11. Be familiar with key findings from Cole (Scarpitti et al.).
-Cole attacked "strain theory" in the 1970s saying it was abandoned.
12. Be familiar with key findings from Klockars (Scarpitti et al.).
-People will lie to interviewees, no shame in stealing \$30gs of goods
-Private policing(individuals, groups, associations) take it up as "hobby" job with good people