

Victimology Comprehensive Review Suggestions

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Let your syllabus be your guide. You should reacquaint yourself with the primary goals, issues and themes of the course and be able to use the substantive readings to demonstrate key points.

Students who have mastered the material in the course should be able to answer questions on ...

The evolution and contribution of victimology as a distinct academic discipline.

The primary theories used in the science of victimology.

The significant social, historical and political factors that impacted the role of victims in the western criminal justice system over the past 30 years. Are the needs of crime victims better served today? Why or why not?

Victim-oriented issues, policies, reforms and outcomes discussed in the readings. Are reforms “real” or symbolic? Explain.

The major problems and struggles for victims of crime and be able to provide specific examples from assigned readings.

The various reforms implemented to help victims of intimate partner violence, stalking, child abuse, sexual assault, hate crimes, and victims of female- perpetrated violence. Know the personal, social and political factors associated with these policies.

The primary concepts and consequences associated with victim prominence and social capital. How do these factors impact a person’s experience in the criminal justice system and the politicalization of victims?