LTNS 460 STUDY GUIDE

**Class, this study guide is meant to point you towards some of the big themes. Quiz questions will be drawn from the assigned materials and information presented in class. You should not solely rely on this study guide but you should also review your class notes as well as powerpoint slides.**

* Review the section on “A Theory of Regime Change”
* Be able to identify why certain countries in the region have been able to remain more “stable” (democratically and economically, ex: Costa Rica) while others not
* Identify some historical commonalities between the countries- why when we refer to traditional Central America do we refer to only 5 countries?
* Review the important Immigration Laws and Statuses for Central Americans – for example be able to differentiate between refugee and political asylum
* Review important Immigration terms (voluntary v involuntary migration)
* Review migration determinants and migration waves
* What impact did the economic crisis in the 30s have on the region? (Coffee as cash crop)
* What has been the role of United States historically in the area?
* What role has the military played in the political development of Central America? (Think about the ties to elites)