

Peter Smits Timeline Spring 2016 forward

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1 Spring 2016 (current quarter)

4 TAing

- Kondrashov's Quantitative Modeling for Biology.
- The kind of class I'll probably be asked to teach.

Evolution 2016

- 8 • Brachiopod survival project
 - submitted to Evolution
 - 10 – complete and “fancy”
- Opportunity to build my “brand.”

12 2 Summer 2016

Post-doc applications

- 14 • Make contact with all prospective post-doc advisors (see presentation).
- Write research statement.
- 16 – Need a review of my “research program”.
- Second self-generating research line.

18 3 Fall 2016

Post-doc applications

- 20 • Miller Fellowship 12/10 (nomination), 1/10 (invited application)
- Smithsonian Fellowship 12/1
- 22 • NIMBioS Fellowship 9/1 or 12/11

- Michigan Fellowship

24 Conferences

- mammal regional species project
- 26 • GSA
- SVP

28 – Romer Talk?

Teaching

- 30 • I might be TAing the BSD entering first-year stats/programming boot camp
- 32 • I've agreed to teach the TA training class again

4 Winter 2017

34 Dissertation

- Meet with Dissertation Office to go over formatting.
- 36 – I have a \LaTeX template already.
- Apply to graduate in Spring quarter? Must decide by first week of that
- 38 quarter.
- Pretty much has to be completely written by this point.

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(assumes I am finishing spring/summer 2017)

42 Dissertation

- Process for finishing.
- 44 – Get draft of dissertation to entire committee by end of first week of final quarter.
- 46 – Need to email Chair to request approval of committee, advisors, and defense date.
- 48 – Defense has to take place around 2nd week of quarter.
- Need to submit final dissertation by 5th week of quarter to graduate
- 50 that quarter.
- Possibility of defending in Spring but graduating in Summer.

- 52 – More time for revisions.
- Get paid for one more quarter.

54 Evolution 2017

- mammal regional species project
- 56 • Ernst Myer talk? (Systematic Biology)
- W D Hamilton talk? (Evolution)
- 58 • I probably wouldn't win either of these.

6 Summer 2017

60 Dissertation?

- If not in spring, then summer.
- 62 • All of the above still applies.