### Rolling Rocks

Welcome back to a new academic year. Hope you all had a wonderful summer and are refreshed for an exciting year ahead.

#### **Today's Colloquium**

We will watch video documentaries of the California fieldtrip in colloquium today in Braunstein 201 at 3:30 pm.

# New Graduate Students Welcome to our new graduate students:

**Jake Deighton**, starting a MS. He has a BS in Environmental Sciences, minor in Geology from UC, 2017. He just finished a traineeship with the EPA.

**Adam Jones,** starting a MS. He has a BS in geology from University of Georgia, 2014. Has since been a field environmental scientist/field engineer/project manager for Terracon Atlanta and a Geologist for GeoWave Solutions, Atlanta.

**Abbey Kelly,** starting a PhD. She has a BA in Geoscience from Williams College, Williamstown, MA. Just finished an internship with the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute in Panama City, Panama.

**Nate Norris**, starting a MS. He has a BS in Environmental Science and Sustainability and a minor in outdoor recreation from the University of Maine at Presque Isle. He's been a field assistant and is really into backpacking.

**Richard Stephenson**, starting a MS. He is finishing his PhD in Philosophy of the Life Sciences here at UC. Interested mainly in paleontology, paleoclimate, history of life on Earth.

#### Jeff got a grant

Congratulations to Jeff Hannon who got a grant from the Clay Minerals Society, and received the Reynolds Award for scoring top of all applicants.

#### **Graduated Graduates**

Congratulations to our graduate students who completed their degrees during the summer including Janine Sparks, Ivan Carabajal, Mike Lee and Julianne Fernandez.

#### Fall Fieldtrip

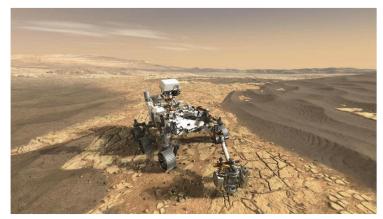
Please mark your diaries for the fall fieldtrip, which will be held on September 9 and 10 focusing on the geology of Ohio and base around Columbus.



## In Search Of Life On Mars

By MARK HEYNE . JUL 12, 2017





 $\label{eq:continuous} \textit{Artist's rendering of NASA's Mars 2020 rover on the surface of the \textit{Red Planet}.}$ 

Check out Andy's interview on the WVXU site at: <a href="http://wvxu.org/post/search-life-mars">http://wvxu.org/post/search-life-mars</a>

Please send me your news from the summer and anything that is coming up.

Cheers,

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