October 7-14, 2017 Itinerary:

Sat 10/7/17: Depart South Biology at 7am; lunch and intro to field methodology at Pipe Springs, AZ (334mi; 4h 45min). Drive Kaibab Plateau, spend night at Cliff Dwellers Lodge (76mi; 1h 28min).

Sun 10/8/17: Depart Cliff Dwellers Lodge 7am and drive to Vermillion Cliffs (ca. 20 miles) and view California condors. Drive to Santa Rita Experimental Range, Arizona (426mi; 6h 31 min).

Mon 10/9/17: AM: intro to AZ birds; PM: AZ Sonora Desert Museum & intro to plant transects

Tues 10/10/17: Group Project Day 1 ; work on field notebooks & journals

(Each group project day includes 3 hour session in the morning, and a 3 hour session in the afternoon; each session includes 2 hours of bird censusing, and 1 hour of plant censusing).

Wed 10/11/17: Group Project Day 2; work on field notebooks & journals

Thur 10/12/17: Group Project Day 3; collate group data after dinner.

Fri 10/13/17: Morning: class discussion to generate and assign hypotheses to test with group data. Afternoon: analyses and preparation of oral presentations. After dinner: mini-conference with six presentations (one per pair). Prizes awarded.

Sat 10/14/17: Write up projects - due at midnight, together with journals and notebooks.

Sun 10/15/17: Clean, pack up, and drive to Flagstaff, AZ; pizza dinner (294mi; 4h 31min)

Mon 10/16/17: Drive to Salt Lake City; arrive by 6pm (519mi; 8h)