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Hiking 112

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**Echo Canyon Trail – September 13th**

This hike was super cool. I like that we went down into the canyon instead of seeing it from above this time. It was a whole different experience/view. I also thought the trail we were walking on was interesting being on top of like slanted rock and such. My group and I struggled to stay on the trail sometimes because we weren’t sure which rocks were guiding the trail and which rocks were unrelated. It was a bit of an adventure. I had a lot of fun. I like that every week is very different. I get bored when things are the same. I really just like to be kept guessin’ all the time—always something new and exciting. My personal mantra used to be “I do it for the thrill.” Though this is not my primary motto now, it still resonates with me very strongly. This is why I want to study abroad, I just am not sure where. My sister studied abroad in Hawaii and she is always encouraging me to take that route. She loved it there. Plus, I could take a scuba diving mod here before I go so that I am already certified. How fun right! I don’t know though, I feel like I also kind of want to experience something totally different. I’ve thought about doing a summer in New Zealand. I think that would be so beautiful. Summer in New Zealand is perfect because it’s not too cold. I’ve also looked at Oregon or Alaska though. Both really beautiful areas. I just love the outdoors. If I could be paid to just go to beautiful places in the world just to admire them, I think that would be my dream life.

We got some cool pics this hike. I really enjoyed it. Alyssa also captured a few good snaps of me too that I was able to send to my family. They are very jealous of my hiking class. I love it here, I am so glad I made the move down here.