My First Week at OSU

 My first week at OSU has been full of ups and downs. I lived on my own for three months last summer while I toured with the Bluecoats drum corps, but I have never really been homesick before. I miss my family and my established friend group. I miss my little dog and having air conditioning. But I like Ohio State too. I started rock climbing at the OAC on west campus and that led to joining the OSU Mountaineering Club. I really like to work out, and the RPAC is absolutely beautiful, but it feels weird to leave my gym back home.

 My first week of class was much better than I expected. I haven’t taken physics since tenth grade, so that will definitely be a challenge for me, but so far all of my classes have been enjoyable. Over the summer I debated dropping my Russian Literature class because of the amount of reading that it would add to my already strenuous course load as an engineering major, but I’m very glad I kept the class. I’ve always loved to read and I appreciate the break from all my other technical classes.

 I’m really looking forward to the Humanities Chicago trip. I’ll definitely be going to many events with the Humanities Scholars, but that weekend is a definite star on my calendar. It’s hard right now because the semester is just starting, and being from out of state, I don’t know anyone, but once things get started I should be able to make friends.

 I expect that being a Humanities Scholar will be a very rewarding experience for me. One of the main reasons I came to Ohio State was because I could easily balance my interest with science and engineering with my love of reading and performance arts through this scholars program. College is a very different experience from anything I’ve done before and I’m still settling in, but I think I’ve set up all the right things to make my time here at OSU exceptional.