

DRESS LOG -- ALICE KIM

October 3rd, Tuesday - CLASS

Today was a long day of class, as I had 9 hours of class. I was wearing a black crop top, and a long black skirt with a yellow OFF-WHITE belt that I used to cinch my waist. I wore a denim jacket on top, as I felt like I needed the contrast between the yellow belt and black clothes. The weather wasn't that warm nor that cold, so I thought wearing a denim jacket would top the look. However, I changed after the end of my first class of the day, to go to the Career fair for internship opportunities. Luckily, that day my teacher canceled class (second class of the day). The second half of the day, I wore a Sty-leNanda dress that draped all the way to my ankle, which had a boxy look. I wore a beige Kloke industrial coat on top, to top the look. I also held the COMME DES GARCONS tote bag to make myself seem more appealing to the possible employers and to possibly get a higher chance in getting an opportunity at a company. I felt satisfied and professional in my dresswear for the second half of the day, since I felt like I established many important connections for the future.



October 4th, Wednesday - AMERICAN EAGLE INTERVIEW

I went to an American Eagle interview for the 14th Street location today. The weather was warm, so I decided to wear my long denim skirt, with a silver (white) OFF-WHITE belt, and a off-shoulder blouse with a flower pattern on it. I never wore this blue off-shoulder blouse before, thinking it didn't look nice. It was one-sized, from Korea, and I thought it didn't fit me well. Ever since that American Eagle interview, I became more interested in off-shoulder blouses instead of cropped hoodies and cropped shirts. Although there were many other outfits I wanted to wear, I believe going into an interview for an entry-level position in retail with an outfit that the company would usually promote or advertise would help my chances of getting hired. I didn't own any American Eagle apparel, so I decided to wear two things similar to what was in the Soho store I visited last week. This reminded me of the quote from Joanne Entwistle -- where she states that "dress does not only belong to our bodies but to the social world as well" (Entwistle 134). I was unable to express myself fully due to the expected standards of the store and my desire to fit in in order to get hired. However, I thought my outfit was a casual, yet expressive look that could show the employers how I style myself. It didn't fully represent me, but represented a certain aspect of me.



October 5th, Thursday - COMIC CON!

Today, I am going to Comic Con, which is a yearly venue that happens for a week, that gathers all illustration/animation lovers, especially of Marvel and DC Comics. I decided to wear clothing that would be all brand-showy, to make myself have a certain kind of look that people would look and laugh about, since many people cosplay ther.e. I wanted to go for an iconic-web look, as well as gather attention in the crowd of hundreds. I wore four OFF-WHITE belts, three of them being cinched into my waist looking like a corset, and the 4th OFF-WHITE belt on my neck, dangling off. I also wore a long denim skirt from ASOS that I've reworked that were originally a pair of jeans, and a light blue AntiSocialSocialClub with pink lettering, tucked into the skirt. I was holding a COMME DES GARCONS tote bag, and wore white clout glasses, while pulling the strings of my hoodie in. I woke up early, changed, and ran out the dorm to catch the train. As the day went by, I started to take off the OFF-WHITE belts one by one, as it became tiring and sweaty as I moved around the crowds and aisles. On the train, I felt insecure about this outfit since the four OFF-WHITE belts seemed a bit over the top and too obnoxious, but I took it in and viewed it as more of an "experimented look".



OCTOBER 6TH, FRIDAY - LINE FRIENDS STORE/ TIMES SQUARE

After the long day at Comic Con, followed the beginning of a boring Sunday. My suitemate Michela and I decided to go to the pop-up Line Friends Store and possibly purchase anything of interest. We originally wanted to go for a twin look, since I had duplicates of many clothes and we both owned the same pairs of shoes. However, since that didn't work out the way we wanted to, we decided to do variations of the same look. I was wearing a \$10 tight-fitting crop top I got from Korea, as well as these black pants with checkered lines on the sides that I also got from Korea. I then wore my pink Adidas shoes, following a black OFF-WHITE belt and COMME DES GARCONS tote bag. I wore pink heart sunglasses that day. Michela and I decided to have somewhat of a contrasting look, so I lent her my silver(white) OFF-WHITE belt and white clout glasses, where she wore black jeans, a pink top, and checkered shoes. We had the same color story put in different ways on our garment. Although I wanted us to have completely matching outfits, we found it difficult as it embodied the both of us differently. We both also had to follow a similar kind of style, which limited us yet gave us a unique combination as two people in a group, rather than an individual. We believe we both succeeded in the social nature of aesthetics, and had a proud shopping visit.



October 7th, Saturday - RIPNDIP store

My suite and I decided to take a visit to the RIPNDIP store. It was warm out, and the RIPNDIP pop-up store was still relatively new. However, it was cold in the morning. I decided to wear a AntiSocialSocialClub bomber jacket, along with checkered pants, pink Adidas superstars, and a black top with white clout glasses. As the day went on, the temperature got warmer, but I persisted and continued to wear the AntiSocialSocialClub bomber jacket. There was no specific reason for me to wear this other than to show the AntiSocialSocialClub logo while on line to go into the store for RIPNDIP. I was also in the Soho location, which has many people who follow streetwear fashion and "hypebeast" labels. I ended up being featured in their video for a very quick second on their snapchat story, which was featured on Twitter. This was quick decision making done, as I asked my friends for opinions on the variations of outfits I wanted to wear. There are many social factors included in this, such as acknowledgement of others, and a possibility of being featured on social media. I felt extremely confident in those clothes as I felt like my mix and match worked out successfully.



October 8th, Sunday - HOME, and HOMEWORK

Today was the day to procrastinate and do all my homework for the upcoming week. I lazed around, wearing an oversized light pink AntiSocialSocialClub sweater and my KakaoTalk Ryan Slippers. I didn't go out for the whole day today, other than at night to get some fresh air, at Washington Square Park. The only thing that really changed in my outfit was my shoes, in which I wore Vans. While I was at home for majority of the day, I wanted to wear something comfortable and warm, since turning on the AC would make the suite chilly, but turning it off would make it hot. (We can't win, right?) The pink ASSC sweater I wore was so soft and made me want to climb into bed. I actually ended up taking a nap throughout the day prior to going out to Washington Square Park. There aren't any necessarily any social factors in regards to what I wear at home since I feel most comfortable here, and I don't expect interruptions from anyone outside the suite. Overall, I felt comfortable, but not necessarily the best dressed. I am not necessarily sure if I feel this way because I didn't wear makeup, or if it was because of the unfamiliar clothing choices I make while I'm at home, in comparison to dressing up when I go to class or elsewhere.



OCTOBER 9TH, MONDAY - 9AM CLASS

9AM class. Laundry that has to be done. Barely any sleep or time. I only had a few choices. I decided to wear a long beige dress with long sleeve black shirt underneath. I accompanied that with a COMME DES GARCONS bag. Since today was critique day, I didn't have to wear a backpack. I only brought a laptop with me that day, so bringing the tote bag was no problem. It also took me almost less than a minute to slip into the shirt and dress. It was comfy. Although I do live in Kerrey Hall, I'm still on edge when it comes to going to class for a 9AM. I wasn't sure if I should've brought a jacket because it's always cold in the UC. I decided not to, and I regret it. It was COLD. However, these were the only clothes that would match my bag and be clothes that I liked that were my style. I didn't have much restriction with my clothing choice other than the fact that I didn't have enough clothing choices to wear because of my large pile of laundry as well as the cold UC temperatures. I felt comfortable and I was satisfied with my outfit choice despite these restrictions.

