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One of my favourite modules I studied whilst at University was a second-year module 'International Fieldwork'. This module was so much different to a stereotypical geography fieldtrip as instead of being in a muddy field collecting samples, I was fortunate enough to spend 5 day in New York. This module consisted of a Literature Review that was to be completed before the trip, and a fieldwork portfolio. This module was so fascinating and being able to spend time in New York for an educational visit rather than as a tourist meant that I got to experience a different side to the city and visit places that I would not have otherwise gone to. The trip was fascinating and the main themes we investigated whilst we were there were gentrification, sound geography, resistance geography and inequality. Many of these themes I had not had the chance to study before and even inspired part of my dissertation topic. Geography at University is much different to school as there is so much more range and variety. I cannot speak highly enough of my time studying Geography and would recommend it to anyone who has an interest in the world around them.