



Yvonne Hausmann - Fellow for 2008-2009



Name	Yvonne Hausmann
Born	July 2, 1985
Hometown	Affoltern am Albis, Canton of Zurich
Major	B.A. in International Affairs (2008), University of St.Gallen
Languages	English, German, French & Spanish
Interests	Karate, snowboarding and traveling

My education and work experience

From 2005 to 2008, I majored in International Affairs at the University of St.Gallen. This Major perfectly matches my interests as it combines management, economics and public policy at the international level, and provides the perfect instruments to understand economic development and international relationships. Beside my studies, I was an assistant at the Center of Social Enterprise at the University of St.Gallen, where I was responsible for the organization and mentoring of seminars for Bachelor- and Master-students. In fall 2007, I was selected from a competitive field of 100 candidates to join the delegation of the University of St.Gallen to attend the "National Model United Nation Conference" in spring 2008 in New York, USA. Our delegation successfully represented the Republic of Kyrgyzstan and won the Award of Honorable Mention. Before starting my studies in 2005, I worked for four months as a voluntary English teacher in Nepal. Fascinated by the people and the country's diversity, I returned twice during my studies for trekking and doing research for my Bachelor's-degree thesis about the civil war in Nepal.

My goals for the internship and future

Living and working abroad has always been a dream of mine. The internship at the Swiss-California Foundation makes this dream come true and enables me to collect practical know-how in the field of my studies, to meet new challenges and to grow in my personality. I am looking forward to diving into a foreign culture, meeting many new people as well as gaining experiences I can take with me for my lifetime. After returning to Switzerland, I will start my Masters in International Affairs and Governance. It is my future goal to work in an International Business or Governmental Department at the intersection of politics and economics.