

CURRICULUM VITAE

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SCHOOLING:

1990 - 1997 Primarschule (swiss elementary school), Bern
1997 - 1999 Sekundarschule (junior high school), Bern
1999 - 2003 Literargymnasium (high school), Bern
2004 - 2007 B.A. Political Science at the University of Geneva
2005-2008 Studies in Chinese Language and Civilization at the University of Geneva
2006-2007 Exchange year at Boston University, MA, USA
2007-2009 M.A. in International Studies, specializing in Political Science and International Economics, at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva

EXTRACURRICULAR EDUCATION

2002 “United Nations Pilgrimage” educational journey through the USA and Canada, including the participation in several workshops at the UN headquarters over five days
Winter 2003 Degree with distinction in basic education of mechanics and in driving skills for all types of cars in La Paz, Bolivia
Summer 2004 1 month intensive language course in Portuguese (Instituto Boliviano-Brasileiro Indigena, La Paz, Bolivia)
Summer 2005 Participation in a Swiss Study Foundation workshop on humanitarian aid and development held by members of the UN, the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, and the International Committee of the Red Cross
Spring 2006 Participation in a Swiss Study Foundation workshop on the shortcomings of the theory of the clash of civilizations
Mai 2006 Participation in “Enlazando Alternativas II”, a summit of social movements from Latin America, the Caribbean and Europe on the importance of global citizenship
March 2007 Chosen by “Americans for Informed Democracy” (AID) to participate in the “Young Global Leaders Summit” on “Social Entrepreneurship and Global Change”

September 2007	Participation in the “Global Forum on Youth and ICT” organized by ECOSOC
March 2008	Participation in a workshop on the importance of global civil service at the UN headquarters in Geneva

WORK EXPERIENCE:

From 1996	Babysitting during leisure time
Summer 2000	Internship as Idea Developer in the “idea fabric” Brainstore Biel: Collaboration in Creative Workshops, insight in working process, administrative jobs
Winter 2002	Data handling for the "Bundesamt für Sozialversicherung" (Federal Social Security Office)
Spring 2003	Collaboration in a children’s camp
Summer 2003	Management of the secretariat of the “Berner Ferienstadt”, a youth vacation program, handling up to 200 daily visitors
2000 – 2006	Several part-time jobs for Brainstore Biel
Summer 2006	Field worker of the Swiss Red Cross
Summer 2007	Internship as political advisor to the “Presidential Representative” in Cochabamba, Bolivia, participating in and organizing workshops and meetings with high government representatives, including the president of Bolivia, social movements, and civil society

COMMITMENTS & VOLUNTEER SERVICE

Summer 1996-1998	Journalist and editor for the youth journal “KIDS”
1996-2002	Juvenile soccer career in the teams of the “BSC Young Boys” until playing for the U-21-Team
2001-2003	Founder member and co-organizer of the “Antikriegs-Forum Kirchenfeld” (AKFK), a high school committee trying to mobilize students against the Afghanistan war
2002 - today	Transfer to the soccer team of Bernex-Sginal, 1st League
2002-2003	President of the organization committee of the Kirchenfeld high school graduation ceremonies
Spring 2005	Admission into the Swiss National Academic Foundation
2004-2007	Letters to the editor on such various topics as “Evo Morales” or “Racism in Switzerland” have been published in the newspapers “Der Bund” and “NZZ”
February 2007	Organized a fundraiser for the victims of the “El-Niño” floodings in Bolivia, collecting more than 900 US\$
Spring 2007	Co-Moderator of the international radio program “Without Borders” at WTBU Radio
May 2007	Co-founded the youth organization “Europeans United for Informed Action” (EUforIA), www.euforaction.org
2007-2008	Elected president of EUforIA
September 2007	Invited by the NGO “ARBOL” as main speaker to a public conference on Bolivia’s recent political evolutions
December 2007	Joined the youth organization IFIL.ch, organizing an educational journey of 20 students to Bolivia in Sept. 2008

January 2008 Published an opinion piece in the online newspaper “Punto Latino” on Bolivia’s recent political evolutions, www.puntolatino.ch/opinion/bolivia_calderon07

AWARDS:

Summer 2002	Award for the best essay and the best speech in the context of the “United Nations Pilgrimage” competition, winning an educational journey to the UN headquarters in NYC
Summer 2003	1st prize, “Schweizerische Mobiliar” and “Meyer-Price”, for obtaining the best grades for the high school diploma
2006-2007	“Boninchi Stipendiary” of the “Fondation Ernest Boninchi”, recognizing outstanding academic work
2006-2007	Obtained scholarships from the Swiss National Academic Foundation, University of Geneva and Boston University to finance in its entirety an exchange year in Boston
2007	Graduated among top 5% from University of Geneva (summa cum laude)
2007-2008	Granted a full scholarship by IHEID
2007-2009	“UniverSuisse Stipendiary” of the Sophie und Karl Binding Stiftung fomenting intercultural dialogue
2008-2009	Selected for exchange studies at “Sciences Po”, Paris, France

STAYS ABROAD:

1992 - today	Approximately every 2 years a home leave in La Paz, Bolivia
1998 - 2003	Journeys to Germany, France, Italy, Netherlands, Austria, Slovenia, Croatia and Spain
Summer 2002	Round trip through Canada and the USA
2003 - 2004	Home leave in Bolivia combined with journeys through Argentine, Brazil, Chile, Ecuador, Columbia, Paraguay, Peru und Venezuela
2006-2007	Exchange year at Boston University in Boston, MA
January 2008	1 Month-long journey through Israel, the Palestinian Territories, Jordan and Egypt

LANGUAGE SKILLS:

Swiss German:	Native language
Spanish:	Native language
German:	Native language
French:	fluent, written and spoken
English:	fluent, written and spoken
Portuguese:	working knowledge, written and spoken
Chinese:	basic knowledge, written and spoken
Italian:	basic knowledge, just spoken