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Gap Inc. CSR Fellows Announced for Haas MBA Class of 2007

May 06, 2005 - The Center for Responsible Business is pleased to announce the recipients of the first Gap Inc. Fellowship in Corporate Social Responsibility for the Haas School of Business' incoming MBA class of 2007. The fellowship provides two-year scholarships of \$5,000 each year to three full-time Haas MBAs who demonstrate a commitment to the field of corporate social responsibility in their professional and educational pursuits.

This year's Gap Inc. CSR Fellows are **Amy Dickie**, **Danel Mayer**, and **Vladimir Stenek**. The selection committee - composed of Center Staff, Haas alumni, and Gap executives - was amazed by the quantity and quality of applications received and impressed with the diverse experiences of the three awardees. Brief biographies of each are outlined below:

Amy Dickie, a graduate of Stanford University, most recently worked at the Investors' Circle in Boston, a national network of investors who provide venture capital to young companies that have a social and/or environmental mission. She aspires to found a social finance institution in order "to innovate not just new products, but new disciplines, new markets, and even new paradigms" after completing her MBA.

A graduate of Tel Aviv University in Israel, **Danel Mayer** is the co-founder and managing director of Kerem Partners, Israel's first middle market buyout fund that focuses on low-tech companies in Israel's less developed regions with a focus on strengthening these areas economically and socially. After his time at Haas, he hopes to apply his passion for "business ventures that have both social and profit goals" by founding his own company.

Vladimir Stenek is constantly in search of solutions that balance and maximize the relationship between investment, design, quality of life, and the environment. He founded his own architecture firm two years ago, after spending eight years at one of the top architecture firms in Santiago, Chile. A graduate of the Universidad Nacional de Ingenieria in Peru, he aspires to establish a real estate development company that "brings a real contribution to society, and that strongly promotes diversity and respect for the environment".

Earlier this year, the Center teamed up with the Gap Foundation to create this unique fellowship program to support Haas MBA students who demonstrate a commitment to the field of corporate social responsibility in their professional and educational pursuits. This collaboration reflects both the vision of the Center for Responsible Business and Gap Inc.'s strong commitment to social responsibility.

"We are honored to partner with the Gap Foundation on this program," says Kellie McElhaney, executive director of the Center for Responsible Business. "In addition to supporting students, these fellowships reflect Gap's commitment to CSR as a critical component of business education and management training. Gap continues to take a leadership role in strategic CSR, and we are fortunate to benefit from that. We look forward to the valuable contributions that Amy, Danel, and Vladimir will bring to the Haas community as Gap Fellows."

About the Center for Responsible Business

Founded in 2003, the vision of the Center for Responsible Business (CRB) is to create a more sustainable, ethical, and socially responsible society by establishing the Haas School of Business as the preeminent educational institution for research, teaching, experiential learning, and outreach in Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR).

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