

## Internship in the Economic, Trade and Financial Affairs Section

The Embassy of Switzerland is currently offering a full-time (40 hours per week) internship in the Economics and Finance Section for 6 months, from either **September 1**, 2024 – **February 28**, 2025 and March 1, 2025 – August 31, 2025. The remuneration for this position is USD 3,200 per month (gross salary).

## The ideal Candidate brings:

- the ability to quickly grasp new concepts and orientate oneself in unfamiliar areas;
- the ability to write well in a Swiss national language and in English;
- specific interest in the economic, trade and financial relations between Switzerland and the US;
- the ability to professionally represent the Embassy at events;
- organizational skills for planning and attending functions and events;
- the willingness to integrate within a tightly-knit and high performing team;
- social intuition, a healthy dose of emotional intelligence and a positive attitude;

#### **Candidate must:**

- be a Swiss citizen, or be a non-Swiss citizen with a valid work permit for the period of the internship;
- have excellent written and spoken communication skills in English;
- speak and write fluently in Italian, French or German, with good knowledge of at least one other official language;
- not have graduated more than one year before beginning the internship;
- not have completed more than 12 months of cumulative internship experience in the Federal Administration since first graduating from a university or a university of applied sciences – including the 6 months of this internship in Washington.

# **All applicants must submit the following documents in one single PDF document –** not exceeding 5 MB:

- curriculum vitae
- motivation letter answering <u>all</u> the following questions (in English or any Swiss official language
  – not more than one page):
  - What is the biggest opportunity for Switzerland in the US?
  - What potential drawbacks Swiss Companies can face when establishing a footprint in the US?
  - What can Switzerland learn from the US?
- Diploma and / or transcript from current university
- any employment certificates, diplomas, or current transcripts.

The Embassy of Switzerland offers internships in various departments, but **please apply to one announcement only**. In order to process your application in a timely manner, please write in the email subject line your "LAST NAME, First Name, Internship in the Economic, Trade and Financial Affairs Section". Any interviews will be conducted no later than 3 weeks after the submission deadlines stated above.

Send the application package to: washington.praktikant@eda.admin.ch

### **Application Deadlines:**

For the period from September 1, 2024 – February 28, 2025: