

# Student of the Month



Kimberly Jasch is just starting her second year of graduate school. She is a research assistant working with Professor John Daily on the chemical kinetics of syngas combustion for gas turbine applications. She will soon be starting experimental work in the lab of chemistry professor Barney Ellison studying the kinetic effects of surface reactions on syngas combustion. In addition to research, Kim has been involved in many departmental activities. She was on the 2008 Graduate Engineering Annual Research Symposium (GEARS) committee, and is this year's Graduate Student Liaison.

Before living in Colorado, Kimberly received bachelor degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Chemistry from the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota. She worked as an intern for both 3M and Xcel Energy over the course of five years in undergrad.

While at St. Thomas, Kim competed for the cross country team for two years and then moved on to running marathons. To date she has completed four marathons. Her lifelong aspirations are to run a marathon on every continent (yes even Antarctica!). So far, she's only checked off one continent...she has some work to do. In addition to running, Kim enjoys riding her new road bike and hopes to compete in her first triathlon next summer. Some other hobbies that can't go unmentioned include intramural sports at CU (go Oneidaers!), beer brewing, ballroom dancing, and of course hiking in the mountains of Colorado.

