



# Japan Center for International Exchange

## US Congressional Staff Exchange Program

Since its inception in 1982, JCIE's US Congressional Staff Exchange Program has brought more than 140 key Congressional staff members to Japan for an intensive schedule of meetings, briefings, and discussion sessions on Japanese policymaking and issues critical to US-Japan relations. The selection committee strives to pick as diverse a group of participants as possible, choosing a balanced number from each political party. Participants are typically senior staff members in important policy positions related to international affairs, particularly those dealing with international security, economic, or foreign policy. Previous participants include:

### Recent Participants in the US Congressional Staff Exchange Program

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#### 2007 Delegation

Charles Cogar, Legislative Director, Senator Wayne Allard (CO)  
Siobhan O'Neil, Analyst in Domestic Security and Intelligence, Congressional Research Service  
Jim Paretto, Workforce Policy Counsel, House Committee on Education and the Workforce  
Brandon Renz, Legislative Director, Office of Representative Virginia Foxx (NC)  
Gregg Richard, Minority Staff Director, Senate Banking Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Urban Development, Senate Committee Liaison for Senator Michael Crapo

#### 2004 Delegation

Amy Angelier, Senior Analyst, Senate Budget Committee (Majority Office)  
Rock Cheung, Junior Analyst, Senate Budget Committee (Minority Office)  
Patricia Lawler, Legislative Assistant, Rep. Bob Etheridge (NC)  
Michael Moran, Legislative Assistant, Office of Sen. Craig Thomas (WY)  
Paula Nowakowski, Majority Staff Director, House Committee on Education and the Workforce (Majority Office)  
Janet Nuzum, Senior Policy Advisor, Rep. Cal Dooley (CA)  
Steven Perrotta, Senior Legislative Assistant, Office of Rep. Amo Houghton (NY)

#### 2002 Delegation

Deana Funderburk, Policy Assistant to Majority Whip Tom DeLay (TX)  
Mandy Kenney, Deputy Legislative Director to Rep. Mike Thompson (CA)  
Brian MacDonald, Chief of Staff to Rep. Greg Walden (OR)  
Erik Raven, Legislative Assistant to Sen. Robert Byrd (WV)  
Ron Reese, Director of External Affairs to Chairman John Boehner (OH)  
Todd M. Rosenblum, Legislative Assistant to Sen. Evan Bayh (IN)  
Lawrence Willcox, Tax Counsel to Sen. Jon Kyl (AZ)

#### 2000 Delegation

Dan Bob, Special Assistant for Asian and Pacific Affairs to Sen. William Roth (DE)  
Skip Fischer, Legislative Assistant to Sen. John McCain (AZ)  
Jack Horner, Director of Legislative Services, House Republican Conference  
Angela Marshall, Legislative Counsel for Trade, Agriculture and Judiciary to Sen. Max Baucus (MT)  
Daniel Navisky, Policy Assistant to House Democratic Leader Richard Gephardt (MO)  
Sharon Ringley, Deputy Chief of Staff to Rep. Rick Boucher (VA)  
Michael Schiffer, Legislative Assistant to Sen. Dianne Feinstein (CA)  
Ted Van Der Meid, Counsel and Director of Floor Operations to House Speaker Dennis Hastert (IL)