

2024 JAPANESE AMERICAN LEADERSHIP DELEGATION TO JAPAN 21st DELEGATION

APPLICATION

Individuals selected must be able to travel to Japan from March 1 (Fri) – 9 (Sat), 2024 and

attend a mandatory orientation in Los Angeles from Jan 29 (Mon) – 30 (Tues), 2024. Deadline for application submission: Sept 15, 2023.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

All materials must be submitted by the above deadline in order for the application to be considered.

1) Resume:

Please submit a resume no longer than 3 pages in length. If the following information is not included in your resume, please provide an additional attachment.

- Date of Birth
- Address Business and Home (Specify preferred mailing address)
- Telephone Business, Home, Cell Phone
- Email Address
- Employer
- Job Title
- Job Field
- Professional Affiliations & Leadership Positions
- Community/Volunteer Affiliations & Leadership Positions
- Prefecture(s) in Japan where your ancestors originated
- Nikkei ancestry generation in U.S. (sansei, yonsei, shin-nisei, etc.)
- Prior visits to Japan if applicable (Specify year, length of stay and purpose of visit)
- Have you previously applied to the program? (Specify year)
- How did you learn about this program?
- References (Two): Preferably individuals who are knowledgeable about your experience in U.S.-Japan relations and/or your professional/community/volunteer experience.

2) Biography:

Please include a short (150 word) narrative biography highlighting your career, community involvement, and education.

Examples from previous classes may be found at www.usjapancouncil.org/jald.

3) Personal Statement:

Provide a brief essay (no more than three pages, attached as a separate document) addressing the following:

- 1. Why do you wish to participate in this program?
- 2. Briefly describe any prior experience you have had in U.S.-Japan relations.
- 3. In 2024, Japan will be preparing to welcome guests from around the world for the Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai, with the theme "Designing Future Society for Our Lives." How can you make a difference in the context of U.S.-Japan relations?

4) Letter of recommendation:

Please submit a recommendation letter in support of your application (limit two, additional letters will not be considered).

All information should be sent by email to:

- 1) Your local Consulate General of Japan (see attached list). Residents of Washington, D.C. should send their information to the Embassy of Japan.
- 2) Applicants are also required to send a copy to the U.S.-Japan Council via e-mail to amurata@usjapancouncil.org.

All applicants will be notified of the results by the consulate general or embassy to which they submitted their application, generally by the end of November.

For more information contact:

Embassy of Japan/Consulate General of Japan in your region (see attached for list of Embassy of Japan and Consulate offices)

Consulate General of Japan in Los Angeles

Ms. Jennifer Usyak, <u>j.usyak@ls.mofa.go.jp</u>, (213) 617-6700 x166 Consul Aya Ishii, <u>aya.ishii-2@mofa.go.jp</u>, (213) 617-6700 x303

U.S.-Japan Council

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