



Reischauer Policy Research Fellows Program

Program Overview:

Inaugurated in May 2013, the Reischauer Policy Research Fellows Program is a critical element of the Reischauer Center at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) in Washington, DC. It is designed to support the Center's various research initiatives, while also providing recent undergraduate or graduate students with broad practical experience regarding the public and private-sector analysis process. Fellowships are paid and tenable for one academic year beginning in August 2020 with the potential for renewal for an additional year.

More information about our activities can be found on the Reischauer Center's website (www.reischauercenter.org) and Facebook page (@ReischauerCenter). Please direct any questions about the position or application process to the Research and Program Coordinator at <reischauer@jhu.edu>.

Job Description:

Research Fellows personally assist Dr. Kent Calder, Director of the Reischauer Center, with projects related to the Center's mission of supporting the study of transpacific and intra-Asian relations. Recent topics include, but are not limited to: policy best practices in U.S.-Japan relations such as infrastructure, public diplomacy, and public health; the role of cities in global governance; the functioning of Washington's "idea industry" and government-business relations; global energy policy; and East Asian security cooperation and political economy. This year will focus on the changing role of East Asia in the post-COVID 19 world, with continuing research on U.S.-Japan-China relations and the changing role of Washington DC.

Fellows also provide logistical support for seminars, conferences, podcast, and publications produced by the Reischauer Center. They interact with senior researchers affiliated with the Center as part of our Visiting Scholars Program, who typically join us for one academic year from various government agencies in Japan. Furthermore, Fellows are welcome to participate in events in the larger Johns Hopkins SAIS community and are frequently able to attend courses relating to Japan Studies and Asian political economy.

Ideal Qualifications and Skills:

- Bachelor's degree or higher in Political Science, International Relations, Economics, History, East Asian Studies, or a related field
- Interest in East Asian regional issues, especially Japan
- Exceptional research, writing, and editing skills
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite, including Word, Excel, and PowerPoint, and familiarity with online academic databases
- Ability to work both independently and in a team setting
- Work experience in East Asia, such as the JET Program, preferred
- Fluency in relevant languages such as Japanese, Korean, or Chinese

How to Apply:

Interested applicants should send a resume, cover letter, and a 1,000 word writing sample to the Reischauer Center at <reischauer@jhu.edu>. Previously submitted papers or memos are acceptable, as well as excerpts of longer works.

Applications will be considered on a rolling basis with final decisions made no later than July 2020.