



**Japan-United States Educational Commission (Fulbright Japan)  
Announces New Executive Director**

The Japan-United States Educational Commission (“JUSEC”, “Fulbright Japan”) is pleased to announce the selection of Jeffrey J. Kim as Executive Director, effective July 2, 2022.

Mr. Kim joins JUSEC following a career in the United States Navy, where he served in multiple assignments throughout Japan, including senior leadership positions as the captain of an Aegis destroyer and commander of the U.S. fleet base in Yokosuka. His final posting was in Washington DC, at the Office of the Naval Inspector General.

A graduate of MIT (Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering), Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government (Master of Public Policy), and the National Institute for Defense Studies in Tokyo, he also studied at Leiden University in the Netherlands under an Olmsted Scholarship and completed a Mike Mansfield Fellowship at Japan’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Ministry of Defense; Ministry of Land, Transport, Infrastructure, and Tourism; Kanagawa Prefectural Government; and National Diet.

In 2020 the Government of Japan conferred on him the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon, for having contributed to strengthening the relationship between Japan and the United States on national defense.

**About JUSEC (Fulbright Commission & Secretariat)**

JUSEC was established by the Governments of the United States and Japan to promote mutual understanding through the administration of educational exchange programs. JUSEC's core program is the Fulbright Program, established and started in Japan from 1952. Over 9,500 Japanese and Americans have participated in this program. JUSEC also operates EducationUSA services collaboratively with the U.S. Embassy, Tokyo to provide information on Japanese and U.S. higher education to the general public at no cost.

In addition, JUSEC has administered special exchange projects, including the Japan-U.S. Teacher Exchange Program for Education for Sustainable Development (ESD), funded by the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) and the U.S. Embassy, Tokyo. JUSEC operations are funded by the Japanese and U.S. governments, the Japan-United States Educational Exchange Promotion Foundation, the Fulbright Alumni Association of Japan, and the private sector.

JUSEC activities are conducted by a Tokyo-based staff of 13 on average under the supervision of the Executive Director, with oversight and strategic direction provided by a bi-national Commission of 10 members, 5 Japanese and 5 Americans representing government, academia, and the private sector.

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