

# Building Bridges Between Japan & Hawaii



*"I think it's safe to say that I don't think I'll ever look at my own life in the same light again."*



The Pacific and Asian Affairs Council's mission is to promote greater understanding of international affairs, working to strengthen Hawaii's role in the Asia-Pacific region and preparing the next generation of global leaders.

### High School Program

PAAC's nationally award-winning high school program has been bringing international studies to students statewide since 1954. Current services include global studies and Arabic/leadership classes, clubs, conferences and competitions, travel, scholarships, and teacher trainings.

### International Visitor Leadership Program

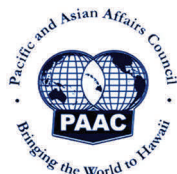
PAAC works with the U.S. State Department to bring up-and-coming foreign leaders to Hawaii to help shape U.S. foreign relations, one handshake at a time.

### Speaker Forums

PAAC's executive forums feature diplomats, government leaders, journalists, business leaders, and scholars on contemporary issues, allowing participants to remain informed about international affairs.

### College and Community Program

Through speaker forums, international festivals, and the WorldQuest Competition, this program encourages international awareness among college students statewide.



# Japan



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Summer Study Tour 2012

# PAAC Summer Study Tour

## Eligibility and Selection Criteria

- Hawaii high school students in grades 9-12
- Demonstrated interest in global issues
- Ability to adapt to different cultures, people, and languages
- Academic achievement
- Demonstrated maturity and responsibility

*“We are not as different as we think we are... I would have never realized how much the world had to offer if it weren't for this trip. It may be ‘good bye’ right now, but it is ‘hello’ to a new future.”*

## Program Cost

Tuition for this program is estimated at \$3500, plus international airfare. Confirmed cost will be posted at [www.paachawaii.org](http://www.paachawaii.org) in November 2011.

## Scholarships

Fifteen full scholarships, made possible by a generous grant from the Freeman Foundation, are available to Hawaii public and charter school students, and cover program expenses.

Scholarships do not cover students' personal expenses or accommodation and transportation on Oahu during orientation week.

*“This trip has definitely changed me a lot as a person, and has helped to shape my views of the world and inspired my career choice. It has inspired me to rise above ignorance and has installed me with a thirst for culture and travel.”*

## The PAAC Summer Study Tour to Japan will:

- Explore Japanese history, culture, and modern society
- Provide Hawaii students the opportunity to meet and interact with local students and families, as well as international, diplomatic, and businesses entities
- Visit Tokyo, Hiroshima, and Kitakyushu



## Trip Dates and Information

May 2012: Mandatory Parent Orientation  
June 4—8: Mandatory Pre-Trip Orientation  
June 11—27: Travel to Japan

Application will be available in November 2011 at [www.paachawaii.org](http://www.paachawaii.org), and must be postmarked by February 10, 2012.



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