

Dan has twelve years of experience working and volunteering in the world of intercultural exchange and communication, specializing in Japanese business, education, travel, and culture. He received an MBA from Babson College, focusing on global business management and design innovation, a BA in English and Japanese Studies from Loyola University New Orleans, and a Certificate of Japanese Language from Waseda University. Dan also studied abroad at Sophia University in Japan and the Stockholm School of Entrepreneurship in Sweden. He holds a Japanese Language Proficiency Test N2-level certification.

Since returning to Boston in 2014 after four years of living in the Tokyo area, Dan has continued to connect the US and Japan through his work for and with several organizations. At Showa Boston Institute, Dan creates opportunities for Japanese college students to interact with other students studying in the US through program development, management, marketing, and recruitment. Through volunteer work with the New England JET Alumni Association, including two years as its president, he also promotes grassroots exchange between the New England region and all 47 prefectures of Japan. Finally, he has provided intercultural workshops for over a dozen Boston-area universities and companies.

Dan is originally from the Jamaica Plain neighborhood of Boston, and his hobbies include backpacking, travel photography, intercultural exchange, and language learning. He has visited about 30 Japanese prefectures and hopes to make it to the remaining 17.