

1979 Fellows



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"The LSC [fellowship] has meant contacts, contacts, contacts ... plus good friends."

-Rod Anderson



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"The LSC [fellowship] gave me a birds-eye view of the workings of the General Assembly and state government. Terrific experience!"

-Melissa Snider



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“The LSC [fellowship] was a great job to have just out of college. It helped me to launch a very enjoyable legislative career. The [other fellows] were the best part of the whole program. You couldn’t find a nicer group of people.”

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“The LSC [fellowship] program was great! The contacts I made have helped me for 19 years in my work and personal life, and the knowledge of state government I acquired has helped me enormously. I have remained close friends with many of the [fellows].”

- Kathy Lynn Gray



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“The LSC [fellowship] offered me the opportunity to hone skills I had developed in college. Immediately after the program I was able to pursue further work with the legislature. In addition to the invaluable experience gained from my year as an LSC [fellow], I made cherished lifelong friends!”

- Ruth Silverman

“The job was a great learning experience and gave me the opportunity to meet a lot of great people. The best thing has been meeting friends who are now among my best friends.”

-Cynthia Cole



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“The LSC [fellowship] provided knowledge about how the legislative and political process really works. The relationships I established during the [fellowship] continue to enhance my life and my professional work. I am so grateful for such a life-enriching opportunity.”

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“The LSC [fellowship] program provided a terrific opportunity to participate in many aspects of the political process of Ohio state government. I came away from the program with many enhanced writing, strategic, and project management skills and a strong appreciation that government can work and serve the greater good. Great friendships (and winning softball!) added to the experience.”

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“As someone who has helped to administer the [fellowship] program, I’m always impressed with the enthusiasm each group of [fellows] brings to the LSC [fellowship]. [Fellows]’ accomplishments before they enter the program are incredible, and given the level of talent in each group, it doesn’t surprise me at all when I hear of their remarkable achievements after the [fellowship]. It’s a unique opportunity that leads to many career possibilities. In my case an added benefit has been the lifelong friendships I formed during my [fellow] year.”

-Kathleen Luikart

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“During the LSC [fellowship], I benefited from the relationships I made with [the other fellows] and the staffs of the caucuses and LSC. Secondly, the speech writing and any other writing opportunities I found that year (including the [Fellow] Newsletter!) were a great experience.”

-Debra C. Victoroff

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Business:
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“I think the LSC [fellowship] gave me my first realistic view of how state government is run—everything from the inter-relationships of the legislature and state offices to the human character of the legislators themselves. It also led to my job at LSC. Probably the most valuable thing I gained from the [fellowship] program is the friendships I have had for the past 20+ years.”

-Priscilla Walker

“The LSC [fellowship] was a terrific experience that has become more and more valuable over time. Getting familiar and comfortable with the legislative process, the diverse actors involved, and the range of policy situations has been useful every step of the way since “graduation.”

-Bill Warner



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