The Carsey School is located on the main campus of the University of New Hampshire in Durham, New Hampshire. Trains to and from Boston stop at an on-campus train station, and there is convenient access to Boston's Logan Airport and Manchester-Boston Regional Airport. The campus is located in the New Hampshire Seacoast region and is convenient to lake and mountain regions of the state.
ABOUT THE CARSEY SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

The Carsey School of Public Policy at the University of New Hampshire is nationally recognized for its research, policy education, and engagement aimed at addressing important societal challenges. The school takes on the pressing issues of the twenty-first century, striving for innovative, responsive, and equitable solutions at all levels of government and from the for-profit and non-profit sectors. With an expanding range of degree and non-degree programs, the Carsey School offers a growing number of opportunities for those interested in beginning, or advancing, careers in public policy.
In 2016, the Carsey School of Public Policy welcomed its first Master in Public Policy students, published thirty-four widely read research publications, increased our civic engagement work across the region, welcomed presidential candidates to campus, and celebrated Carsey students winning the New Hampshire Social Venture Innovation Challenge.
Dear Friends, 2016 will go into the history books as a year with a unique political dynamic that has led to a unique policy environment. The ultimate consequences won’t be known for years. What is known, however, is that public policy matters; whatever the heat of political campaigns may bring, governing choices have to be made and the better informed those choices are, the better the outcomes for society.

At the Carsey School, we have been working to prepare students for roles they will play in advancing our society. We have also gone to communities and engaged the public in ways that allow differing opinions to be heard and understood. As always, our research helps build understanding of the latest trends in demographics, social safety nets, community economic development, and other areas. In policy, whatever the political environment, facts always matter, and we bring ours to policy conversations large and small.

We strongly believe that our students are a key to a bright future, as we imbue them with rich understanding and real-world skills. By training these professionals, we prepare them to find answers, win battles, and get things done.

We hope you can support us and help the Carsey School continue to be an important resource for students, policy makers, the public, and communities across the country.

Best wishes,

Michael Ettlinger, Director
Carsey School of Public Policy
Highlights

ANDREW CARNEGIE FELLOWSHIP
Carsey Senior Demographer Ken Johnson received a prestigious Andrew Carnegie Fellowship to advance research in the social sciences and humanities. As a Carnegie Fellow, Johnson is analyzing the continuing impact of the Great Recession on the demographic structure of rural America and its implications for policy.

CENTER FOR IMPACT FINANCE
The new Center for Impact Finance (CIF) was launched by director Michael Swack to broaden access to capital and help turn the tide on widening inequality. CIF conducts research, develops initiatives and policies, designs programs, and implements financing products that improve capital access. CIF is the culmination of a rich Carsey history as a respected leader in the field with a deep record of working directly in communities.

NEW HAMPSHIRE LISTENS
NH Listens engaged local residents and early childhood educators in eight communities across New Hampshire in setting locally identified goals for supporting all young children and their families.
VULNERABLE FAMILIES RESEARCH PROGRAM
The Vulnerable Families Research Program continued its research on young children, poverty, and the use of federal social safety nets for families—investigating the extent child care costs put a strain on family income and documenting the critical role the Earned Income Tax Credit plays in supporting low income and poor working families.

SOCIAL SECTOR FRANCHISE INITIATIVE
The Center for Social Innovation and Enterprise launched the Social Sector Franchise Initiative (SSFI). SSFI conducts applied research and acts as a convener and clearinghouse for this growing field which uses traditional business franchising models to reach large numbers of customers to fulfill social needs.

NH SOCIAL VENTURE INNOVATION CHALLENGE
Carsey was thrilled that its MPP students won first place in both the community and student tracks of the NH Social Venture Innovation Challenge with their creative solutions to real-world challenges.

MASTER IN PUBLIC POLICY
This fall we welcomed to campus our inaugural cohort of Master in Public Policy students. Our students arrived from four different continents, sharing the desire to make a difference in the world by analysis, effective communication, and a rich understanding of how to get things done.

MASTER OF ARTS IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT POLICY AND PRACTICE
Now in its sixth year, the Master of Arts in Community Development Policy and Practice students have completed fifty-four community development projects around the world addressing social injustice issues such as homelessness, low income, vulnerable populations, health, education, and the environment.
We welcomed our first cohort of Master in Public Policy students. Classes are being taught by professionals from around the nation immersed in national and international public policy and professors with deep experience in policy analysis. Our Community Development graduate students are working on community-changing capstone projects both nationally and internationally, and our sustainable microenterprise program launched a new online platform. Every day, our students are preparing to engage in public policy across the globe.
Master in Public Policy Students
We welcomed the first Master in Public Policy students this fall. Over 90 percent of our students received generous scholarship support. Four students were awarded Carsey Fellowships in fiscal policy, social innovation, social safety nets, and with NH Listens.

Social Venture Innovation Challenge
The Center for Social Innovation and Enterprise, a joint venture of Carsey and the Peter T. Paul College of Business and Economics, hosted the fourth annual Social Venture Innovation Challenge in December, with 80 contestants competing with business proposals to advance social goals.

Sustainable Microfinance and Development Program
The Sustainable Microfinance and Development Program continued its African Savings Groups training with workshops in Togo and Kenya. SMDP Online is also teaching practitioners across the globe.

New Dual MPP/JD Degree
Carsey and UNH Law jointly created a dual MPP/JD degree for careers that combine legal and public policy skills.

Community Development
Carsey joined with the Opportunity Finance Network to offer certificates programs in Community Development Finance in Durham and Seattle. The training is designed for practitioners in the opportunity finance industry—to enhance their work providing financial services to low-income communities.

“Semester in the City” Program
The Center for Social Innovation and Enterprise offered a new Semester in the City program for UNH students interested in working with social change organizations in Boston for a semester.
First in the Nation: New Hampshire's Changing Economy

Kenneth M. Johnson, Dianne J. Santi, and Kenneth L. Lash

Demographic Trends

The demographic trends in New Hampshire today are shaped by the economic forces that have driven regional migration. As the state's population continues to decline, the economy is feeling the impact of an aging workforce and a loss of skilled labor. This presents challenges for businesses and policymakers alike, as they work to attract new residents and invest in the infrastructure needed to support a growing population.

Child Poverty Higher and More Persistent in Rural America

Andrew Schaefer and Martha J. Nearing

More Poor Children, Especially in Rural Areas

Over half of all children in rural areas live in poverty, according to a recent study. This is significantly higher than the national average and highlights the need for more targeted policies to address this issue.

KEY FINDINGS

64%

3/4

December 2015 was New Hampshire’s warmest December on record. But by February 2016, only 63 percent remember that the month was warmer than average.

73%

The 2015-2016 cold spell was the warmest on record for New Hampshire. By April 2016, 73 percent recognized that the winter had been warmer than average.

Political independence and Tea Party supporters, as well as people who do not believe that humans are changing the climate, were less likely to recall the warm temperatures.

These results suggest that, even for such immediate phenomena as recent local weather changes, beliefs exert some influence on perceptions.
We take pride in the wide reach of our researchers’ findings. In 2016, over 100,000 downloads of our work informed policy makers, journalists, fellow researchers, and advocates across the globe. We covered a wide range of issues: child poverty, access to clean water, immigration, paid family leave, access to health insurance, and more. As ever, we strive to bring objective, rigorous analysis to complicated topics, providing policy makers and the public with the information they need for the advancement of good public policy.
CARSEY’S RESEARCH is disseminated through dozens of original applied research publications each year. The most read 2016 publications were:

- Child Poverty Higher and More Persistent in Rural America
- First in the Nation: New Hampshire’s Changing Electorate
- U.S. Births Remain Low as the Great Recession Wanes: More Than Three Million Fewer Births and Still Counting
- Fewer Than Half of WIC-Eligible Families Receive WIC Benefits
- Demographic and Economic Characteristics of Immigrant and Native-Born Populations in Rural and Urban Places
- Exclusionary Discipline Highest in New Hampshire’s Urban Schools: Suspension and Expulsion Found to Disproportionately Affect Disadvantaged Students
- Carsey Perspectives: Saving Salt, Protecting Watersheds, in Winter Road Maintenance. Highlights from a Social Venture Innovation Challenge Winner
- Forests in Flux: The Effects of Demographic Change on Forest Cover in New England and New York
- The Unmet Need for Care: Vulnerability Among Older Adults
- Clean Water for Less: Integrated Planning Reduces the Cost of Meeting Water Quality Goals in New Hampshire
- White Deaths Exceed Births in One-Third of U.S. States

To see the full list, please see pages 20–21. To download or read online, visit carsey.unh.edu.
ENGAGEMENT
Carsey connects the rigor of academic research and training to communities and the nation. Whether working in New Hampshire or around the world, while facilitating important community dialogue, connecting to the national policy scene, or bringing research and policy leaders to campus: Carsey engages.
Presidential Candidates

Community Development Investing
Carsey’s Center for Impact Finance partnered with the U.S. Federal Reserve to host a meeting on linking impact investing dollars with on-the-ground community development.

NH Beverage Summit
NH Listens hosted the first ever NH Beverage Summit at Bretton Woods to discuss priorities for the industry across a variety of viewpoints.

Improving Community Health
With the Public Health Institute, Carsey’s Center for Impact Finance brought together leaders from community development financial institutions and health systems to target needed capital investments to improving community health.

Addressing Climate Change
The Conservative Case for Acting on Climate: Why Putting a Price on Carbon Matters—Jerry Taylor, president of the Niskanen Center, came to the Carsey School to discuss the conservative and moral imperative for addressing climate change—and how it should be done.

Workplace Policies
Carsey Family Demographer Kristin Smith was a keynote speaker, discussing workplace policies at the New Hampshire Women’s Foundation Summit: Winning Workplaces, Pathways to Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance.
WINTER

First in the Nation: New Hampshire’s Changing Electorate
— Kenneth M. Johnson, Dante J. Scala, Andrew Smith

The Impact of Financial Products and Services on Quality of Life
— Michael Swack

After Years of Decline, Private Health Insurance Rates Among Children Grew in 2014
— Michael J. Staley

Child Poverty Higher and More Persistent in Rural America
— Andrew Schaefer, Marybeth Mattingly, Kenneth M. Johnson

Exclusionary Discipline Highest in New Hampshire’s Urban Schools: Suspension and Expulsion Found to Disproportionately Affect Disadvantaged Students
— Douglas Gagnon, Eleanor M. Jaffee, Reeve Kennedy

Carsey Perspectives: Saving Salt, Protecting Watersheds, in Winter Road Maintenance: Highlights from a Social Venture Innovation Challenge Winner
— Andrew Jaccoma

SPRING

The Unmet Need for Care: Vulnerability Among Older Adults
— Rebecca Glauber, Melissa Day

Clean Water for Less: Integrated Planning Reduces the Cost of Meeting Water Quality Goals in New Hampshire
— Alison Watts, Robert Roseen, Paul Stacey, Renee Bourdeau, Theresa Walker

Forests in Flux: The Effects of Demographic Change on Forest Cover in New England and New York
— Mark Ducey, Kenneth M. Johnson, Ethan P. Belair, Miranda H. Mockrin

After a Parent Left Employment, One in Five Children Lost Private Insurance
— Kristin Smith

Carsey Perspectives: Is the Poverty Rate 1.1 Percent?
— Michael Ettlinger, Andrew Schaefer

U.S. Births Remain Low as the Great Recession Wanes: More Than Three Million Fewer Births and Still Counting
— Kenneth M. Johnson

Was December Warm? Family, Politics, and Recollections of Weather
— Lawrence Hamilton, Mary Lemcke-Stampone
SUMMER

Hispanic Children Least Likely to Have Health Insurance: Citizenship, Ethnicity, and Language Barriers to Coverage
— Michael J. Staley, Jessica Carson

Fewer Than Half of WIC-Eligible Families Receive WIC Benefits
— Kristin Smith

Carsey Perspectives: Water Concerns Unite Citizen Activists: A Community Rights Movement Transcends Party, Age, and Gender
— Cliff Brown

Over 80 Percent of New Hampshire Residents Support Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance
— Kristin Smith

Carsey Perspectives: Bridging Farm and Table: The ‘Harvest to Market’ Innovation
— Andrew Walters, Edie Allard

Overall Declines in Child Poverty Mask Relatively Stable Rates Across States
— Andrew Schaefer, Jessica Carson, Marybeth Mattingly

Paid Family and Medical Leave in New Hampshire: Who Has It? Who Takes It?
— Kristin Smith, Nicholas Adams

FALL

Demographic and Economic Characteristics of Immigrant and Native-Born Populations in Rural and Urban Places
— Andrew Schaefer, Marybeth Mattingly

Where Is the North Pole? An Election-Year Survey on Global Change
— Lawrence Hamilton

Most U.S. School Districts Have Low Access to School Counselors: Poor, Diverse, and City School Districts Exhibit Particularly High Student-to-Counselor Ratios
— Douglas Gagnon, Marybeth Mattingly

Child Care Costs Exceed 10 Percent of Family Income for One in Four Families
— Marybeth Mattingly, Andrew Schaefer, Jessica Carson

CDFIs and Online Business Lending: A Review of Recent Progress, Challenges, and Opportunities
— Jack Northrup, Eric Hangen, Michael Swack

White Deaths Exceed Births in One-Third of U.S. States
— Rogelio Sáenz and Kenneth M. Johnson

The Impact of State Medicaid Expansion Under the Affordable Care Act on Health Insurance Coverage at the County Level
— Danielle C. Rhubart
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