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DURHAM, N.H. – Five University of New Hampshire students were recently awarded Winant fellowships, which will allow them to spend the summer working for Granite State nonprofit organizations that assist families and communities.

Established in memory of the late New Hampshire governor John G. Winant, the fellowship program provides a $3,000 stipend for each New Hampshire student selected. Students are selected through a competitive process based on academic merit, the work they propose to do, the strength of their commitment to public service, and how the internship relates to their career goals.

“The fellowship provides students with a good summer salary for internships of their choosing,” said Amy Seif, communications director with UNH’s Carsey Institute, which administers the fellowship program. “The organizations benefit as well, because they get an excellent student they don’t have to pay for.”

This year’s recipients are:

Shannon Morganson, a family studies major from Derry who will mentor youth at risk at Somersworth Youth Safe Haven.

Caitlin Vaughan, an English major from Nashua who will intern with AIDS Response Seacoast.

Anna Wood of Salisbury, a therapeutic recreation major who will work at the Newmarket Recreation Department with disabled children.

Keri Wolfe, a history major from Swansey who will work at the Keene Public Library on a children’s literacy project.

Lindsey Whitelaw of Concord, an English major who will intern with the NH Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence.

The Carsey Institute at the University of New Hampshire conducts research and analysis on the challenges facing families and communities in New Hampshire, New England, and the nation. The Carsey Institute sponsors independent, interdisciplinary research that documents trends and conditions affecting families and communities, providing valuable information and analysis to policymakers, practitioners, the media, and the general public. Through this work,
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The Carsey Institute contributes to public dialogue on policies that encourage social mobility and sustain healthy, equitable communities.

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