

Carsey School Programs and Students Received Top UNH Sustainability Awards Last Year

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In May 2021, three programs and projects, four students, and five faculty fellows and authors at the [Carsey School of Public Policy](#) at the University of New Hampshire were awarded [UNH Sustainability Awards](#). The UNH Sustainability Awards celebrate the University's status as a leader in sustainability and promote the university-wide sustainability work of faculty, staff, and graduate and undergraduate students. Award levels range from bronze to platinum and recognize "research and scholarship, curriculum development and teaching, campus initiatives and culture, and external engagement activities and achievements."

"We're very proud that the Carsey School's defining commitment to sustainability was recognized by these awards. We are particularly proud that Carsey School programs garnered two of the six platinum awards given to programs and projects, and Carsey School graduate students received two of

the five platinum awards given to students,” said Michael Ettlinger, the Carsey School Director. “Across the ‘podium’ our programs and people were recognized.”

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Carsey School student winners were Master in Public Policy students [Juliana Good](#) (platinum) and [Elizabeth Schwaner](#) (silver) and Master in Community Development students [Matthew Parker](#) (platinum) and [Yyokkia Lawson](#) (gold). Eleven additional students who received awards are members of the [Changemaker Collaborative](#), a joint project of the [Sustainability Institute](#), the Carsey School of Public Policy and the [Peter T. Paul College of Business and Economics](#).



From left to right: [Matthew Parker](#), [Juliana Good](#), [Yyokkia Lawson](#), and [Elizabeth Schwaner](#).

Matthew Parker, 2021 UNH Platinum Sustainability Award Recipient

Juliana Good, 2021 UNH Platinum Sustainability Award Recipient

Yyokkia Lawson, 2021 UNH Gold Sustainability Award Recipient

Elizabeth "Libby" Schwaner, 2021 UNH Silver Sustainability Award Recipient

Five Carsey School faculty fellows and research authors also won Sustainability Awards. They were: Semra Aytur, associate professor with the College of Health and Human Services; Larry Hamilton, professor with the College of Liberal Arts; Stephen Pimpare, principal lecturer at UNH Manchester; Sharyn Potter, professor with the College of Liberal Arts and Executive Director of Research with the Prevention Innovations Research Center (PIRC); and Jane Stapleton, Executive Director of Practice with PIRC.

The two platinum-winning Carsey School programs, CSCIF and NH Listens, make substantial contributions to the School's sustainable development mission. Founded in 2010 by [NH Listens](#) Director Michele Holt-Shannon and Professor Emeritus Bruce Mallory, NH Listens at the Carsey School focuses on building and sustaining fair processes for public engagement and education and bringing people together for constructive discussions on important societal issues. Racial justice and equity issues have long been a significant part of its portfolio of work. The [CSCIF](#), led by Professor Michael Swack who holds a joint appointment in the Peter T. Paul College of Business and Economics, focuses on greater access to financing for sustainable development in vulnerable and low-income communities.

The Carsey School 2020 NH Civic Health Index, which received a gold award, provides a roadmap for civic health and engagement across the Granite State. It describes how the state compares nationally in the areas of civic engagement, volunteering and giving, and community connectiveness. It was authored by Mallory and by Carsey Fellow Quixada Moore-Vissing.

As a leader in policy education, research, and civic engagement, the Carsey School embraces the [United Nations Sustainable Development Goals](#) and contributes to a more informed, equitable, and sustainable university, community, state, nation, and planet. With that focus at the heart of the ongoing education and work at Carsey, the School is proud to offer a [\\$5,000 scholarship*](#) to the first 5 UNH undergraduate Sustainability Award winners to apply and become accepted to one of the School's three graduate degree programs: the Master in Public Policy, Master of Public Administration, and the Master in Community Development.

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For more [information on this scholarship](#), contact Carsey School Director of Academics Daniel Bromberg at Daniel.Bromberg@unh.edu.

**Note that there are limitations on the total amount of programmatic scholarship available for each Carsey student so in the case of students receiving other Carsey School scholarships the additional scholarship amount may be less than \$5,000.*

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