



Addressing Human Rights Challenges for More Just Societies

SNAPSHOT

On Campus: The Carr Center brings perspectives on challenges to rights from around the world to the HKS campus through in-person events, conferences, and convenings of faculty, fellows, and students.

In the World: The Center's research and projects contribute to the advancement of nonviolent practices, transitional justice, and racial justice.

Carr Center for Human Rights Policy

Understanding human rights is crucial to public policymaking. That's why the Carr Center focuses on the policy perspectives of global justice and individual rights. The Carr Center brings attention to the most crucial human rights issues of our time and equips leaders in government, multilateral institutions, transnational advocacy groups, and global civil society to protect and further those rights.

Advancing human rights is one of many ways Harvard Kennedy School is strengthening public policy and public leadership across the world so that all people can live in freedom and dignity.

BY THE NUMBERS

All numbers are annual unless otherwise noted.

48,000

Podcast listeners from 166 countries across 55 episodes

49

Affiliated **faculty** members

24

Years strengthening **human rights** around the world



FROM THE DIRECTOR

“The Carr Center is building a bridge between ideas on human rights and the practice on the ground. Right now we are at a critical juncture. The pace of technological change and the rise of authoritarian governments are both examples of serious challenges to the flourishing of individual rights. It’s crucial that Harvard and the Kennedy School continue to be a major influence in keeping human rights ideals alive. The Carr Center is a focal point for this important task.”



Mathias Risse

The Work of the Carr Center for Human Rights Policy

The goal of achieving and promoting effective human rights policy is pursued at the Carr Center through several areas of focus, including but not limited to:

- **Technology & Human Rights:** Examining how technological advances over the next several decades will affect the future of human rights, as well as the protections provided by the human rights framework.
- **Transitional Justice:** Developing research and data to create a Justice and Accountability Index that will enable communities that have experienced mass atrocities to more effectively respond to the needs of survivors.
- **Racial Justice:** Reimagining systems, institutions, and movements to promote racial and economic equity for all, strengthening discourse connecting domestic civil rights to global human rights frameworks.

Carr Center initiatives are responsive to current human rights concerns and reflect the expertise of the Center’s faculty, fellows, and students on topics such as corruption, migration, and torture.



Above: Participants listen to a panel discussion at a Carr Center Conference.

Top right: Carr Center Faculty Cornell W. Brooks talks with PAE grant recipient Callie King-Guffey about her research.

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