Addressing Human Rights Challenges for More Just Societies

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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.
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, mass atrocities to more effectively respond to the needs of survivors.

- **Global LGBTQ+ Human Rights Program**: A key international nexus for LGBTQ+ human rights policy, training, ideas, and dialogue that will amplify the impact of LGBTQ+ activism on the ground.

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.