
EDITOR'S NOTE

Policy and passion might not seem like likely companions. Yet we would argue that passion is what served as the spark for the research and insights you will find within this 27th volume of *Policy Perspectives*. It is what brings us to live the Trachtenberg motto, "Doing good and doing it well." This year, we've had the pleasure of working with eight authors to express the good they hope to see and do through the articles they've written. From passion, to analysis, to action: that is the route that many of these ideas will take as our authors continue to confront complex issues like those posed in their articles.

The articles featured in Volume 27 offer a diversity of analytical approaches and conclusions regarding policy issues that span the nation and the globe. These pieces discuss the equity implications of policies affecting individuals and entire countries; health and education policy; women's entrepreneurship; and the ever-present concern of obtaining sufficient resources to ensure a high quality of life for citizens around the globe. For a practical perspective on how our alumni are tackling issues like these in the real world, we also encourage you to dive into the insights that alumni Simon McNorton and Abby Walsh shared with us this spring.

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It has been a privilege and an honor to serve as Editor-in-Chief and Managing Editor of Volume 27 of *Policy Perspectives*. We are so proud to share some of the Trachtenberg School's best work with you and hope you will continue the conversation started in these pages.

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