

# Letter from the Director

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It is my pleasure to offer you Volume 28 of *Policy Perspectives*, the scholarly journal published by graduate students in the Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration at The George Washington University. *Policy Perspectives* is one of the country's longest-running student journals of public policy and public administration. The journal provides a forum for Trachtenberg School students to publish research based on their studies and offer their perspectives on public policy and management around the world.

Volume 28 reflects the dedication and talents of its authors and editors. Complementing this volume of the journal, the Policy Perspectives team offers blogposts and the GW Wonkcast. I encourage you to explore all of this year's contributions. This academic year, the team continued to bring us timely examinations of a range of policy issues and perspectives which are relevant to policy actors inside and outside the United States as well as in all sectors and policy domains. They did this without missing a step, despite needing to work virtually and having unprecedented stresses and disruptions. Our editorial leaders deserve special acknowledgement for guiding the creation of an impressive array of thought pieces and analyses and also finding ways to increase access to them. My congratulations go out to the team for a job well done.

I encourage you and your community members to visit the *Policy Perspectives* website, at [www.policy-perspectives.org](http://www.policy-perspectives.org), to learn more about the students and their work in 2020-2021. I am sure you will find at least one piece to inspire you to look at the world a little differently or with greater understanding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mary Tschirhart', is written over a light blue grid background.

**Mary Tschirhart, PhD**

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