

**Biography of Tom Kelly, Ph.D.**

**University Office of Sustainability (UOS) and Chief Sustainability Officer at the University of New Hampshire**

Tom Kelly, Ph.D., is the founding director of the University Office of Sustainability (UOS) and Chief Sustainability Officer at the University of New Hampshire, where he collaborates with faculty, staff, students and others in the development of curriculum, operations, research and engagement policies, practices and initiatives related to UNH's four educational initiatives in [biodiversity](#), [climate](#), [culture](#), and [food](#). Co-editor and co-author of "[The Sustainable Learning Community: One University's Journey to the Future](#)" (2009). Dr. Kelly has been working in the field of higher education and sustainable development for more than fifteen years in the US as well as Colombia and Brazil. Current activities include working with UNH colleagues and outside partners on the [UNH organic dairy research farm](#), [Food Solutions New England](#), [Carbon Solutions New England](#), the [Ecology, Climate and Health Working Group](#), and more. A founding member of the [Northeast Campus Sustainability Consortium](#) working to coordinate activities in New England for the United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development and a past guest director of the [National Association of College & University Food Services \(NACUFS\) Board of Directors](#), he currently serves on advisory or steering committees and councils for the [Real Food Challenge](#), the [Northeast Sustainable Agriculture Working Group](#), the [Community, Food and Agriculture Program at Cornell University](#), the [Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education \(AASHE\)](#), and [NHPTV's "Planet Granite."](#) On campus, Dr. Kelly participates in the Provost's Staff Council, [Energy Task Force](#), [Transportation Policy Committee](#), [Healthy UNH](#), Program Committee of the the [UNH Master's of Public Health Program](#), UNH Lands Committee, Concerts Committee, and more. Dr. Kelly was a co-principal investigator on the [INHALE project](#), a NOAA-funded research effort by the [UNH Climate Change Research Center](#) in collaboration with the [UNH College of Health and Human Services](#) to investigate the effects of climate variability, air quality, and weather on human health in New England, a visiting scholar at the Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies at the University of California San Diego, and a visiting professor of transboundary environmental issues in the U.S.-Mexican borderlands at El Colegio de Mexico, Mexico DF. In addition to an undergraduate and master's degree in musical composition and conducting, he holds a master's degree and a Ph.D. in International Relations from the [Tufts University Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy](#).