The Brigham Young University International City/County Manager’s Association Student Chapter works closely with the Romney Institute of Public Management (RIPM) to prepare leaders of exceptional capability and integrity who are committed to serving their communities and improving public service organizations.

Conferences
In September, 13 chapter members participated in the annual ICMA conference in Kansas City, Missouri. Additionally, BYU hosted the annual Utah City Manager Association (UCMA) Fall conference and many of our chapter members attended the annual Spring Conference in St. George, Utah. These conferences proved to be great opportunities for members to connect with local and state professionals from multiple municipalities, and to learn about challenges, solutions, and best practices relative to the profession.

Field projects
Our chapter takes pride in providing opportunities for real-world experience. One way in which we provide these opportunities is through field projects with local cities. This year we worked with the Utah cities of Provo, South Jordan, and Cottonwood Heights. Projects included a Residential Economic Development study, Traffic Corridor study, and a Newly Elected Officials Training Guide. Each project required chapter members to collaborate with local government professionals and apply current class curriculum and skills in a real-world setting.

Lt. Governor Spencer Cox and Other Events
For the first time, the BYU Student Chapter hosted a Public Servant Leadership Q&A with Utah Lt. Governor Spencer Cox. Lt. Governor Cox spoke about public service the type of leaders needed in government today. Also new this year, the Student Chapter held social activities such as a Parks and Recreation TV viewing party that we called a “5k” since we didn’t have time to watch enough TV episode to qualify as a “marathon.”

Internships and Job Opportunities
First year chapter members accepted several local government internships in Utah, Washington State, and California. Additionally, our recent graduates accepted offers from multiple local governments such as Raymond, Alberta, Canada; Maricopa County, Arizona; and San Antonio, Texas.

Presidency
For the 2017-2018 school year, Emma Bowers and Jordan Johnston will serve as Co-Chairs of the Student Chapter.