**The University of\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ University International City/County Management Association Student Chapter Charter**

**Statement of Purpose:** The purpose of this organization shall be to:

1. Introduce and integrate students to the local government management profession.
2. Familiarize students with ICMA, the premier local government management association, its members, resources, and policies.
3. Establish connections between local government management theories, practices, and applications through tangible and actual examples.

**Affiliation:** The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Student Chapter shall be an Official Chapter of ICMA. Wherein, the University and its students are entitled to the designation of ICMA Student Chapter Member; unlimited membership for eligible students of that university, and access to ICMA Student Chapter content provided by ICMA. All actions, activities, events, and or statements made by the chapter should mirror and adhere to ICMA policies, including the ICMA Code of Ethics. ICMA reserves the right to retract chapter membership for failure to adhere to the agreement, charter, or ICMA policies.

**Membership:** As part of the chapter agreement students attending the university are entitled to ICMA student membership, as follows:

1. Through this affiliation each chapter member will be entitled to one student membership, so long as;
	1. The student is enrolled as a part-time or more (more than 4.5 credits per semester).
	2. The student may not hold an Assistant Chief Administrative Officer or Chief Administrative Officer position in a local government.
2. Chapter members agree to adhere to ICMA Student Membership policies, including the ICMA Code of Ethics
3. It is required as part of ICMA Membership that each member support and follow the ICMA Code of Ethics.
	1. Students who are not in service to a local government must adhere to Tenets 1 and 3.
	2. Students who are working, interning, or in service to a local government are required to observe the *entire* Code of Ethics (Tenets 1 through 12)
4. Student Membership includes access to ICMA’s vast variety of resources: online, electronic publications, informational networks, and annual conference.

**Events, Meetings, and Participation**

1. ICMA recognizes that each university observes different rules and policies about student groups on campus. ICMA requires that each ICMA Student Chapter follows its respective university’s policies when forming the chapter.
2. ICMA requires that each chapter hosts at least three meetings per semester and encourages student, faculty, and employees of local governments to attend. The purpose of this meeting should be to engage in discussion about the profession. ICMA leaves the specific style, forum, and venue up to the individual chapter. However, ICMA encourages activities such as, but not limited to: the invitation of guest speakers, presentations of current research within the local government sector, and discussion of current events within local government.
3. ICMA will commit to creating a space on ICMA.org
4. ICMA will commit to provide exclusive content that will assist the chapter in meeting the purpose of this organization.

**Officers:**

1. As part of the ICMA Student Chapter Agreement each chapter is required to have a student president, a faculty advisor, and a local government professional as a chapter mentor.
2. Above these positions a Chapter may appoint additional student officers as needed, to ensure and improve the quality of the chapter.
3. Officers must have a passion for local government, be within good academic standing, and exhibit leadership that will assist in the growth of the chapter.
4. Pending resource availability, it is suggested each chapter attempt to send one chapter member (typically the chapter president) to the ICMA Annual Conference.