



2017-2018 SPC-ICMA Annual Report

The 2017-2018 year for the St. Petersburg College International City/County Management Association finished strong. After a period of inactivity due to graduating leadership, a new executive board was elected in March of 2018 to revive and reignite our dynamic student chapter. The new executive board members were elected as follows:

President – Connor Donovan

Vice President – Houston Blackwell

Secretary – Shannon Kalmbach

Treasurer – Adriana Hulland

The executive board immediately motioned to make the SPC-ICMA Student Chapter open to students from all different classes and majors. If a student has a servant's heart and wants to improve their community, our ICMA student chapter offers a vital learning experience. Our future meetings will feature prominent guest speakers from all areas of local government, resume workshops, event planning, and group discussions about news in local government. Most of our Executive Board and a few other members attended the FCCMA Conference in Orlando on Thursday, May 31, 2018. There the St. Petersburg College Student Chapter had the opportunity to mingle and consult with other Student Chapters, which led to the current planning of a collaborated meeting in the Fall of 2018 with the University of South Florida Student Chapter. This event was an amazing opportunity for our Student Chapter, and our members had great things to say about the experience.

FCCMA Conference Testimonials

- “I thoroughly enjoyed attending the FCCMA Conference in Orlando on Thursday, May 31, 2018. This conference provided me with so many opportunities to meet and network



with people who are already working in city and local government. I met the Town Manager of Kenneth City and he provided me with great insight into what my future career prospects could be, as well as extending the offer to review my resume and give me tips on how to make my qualifications and experience stand out in lieu of a Master's Degree. The connections that can be made at these conferences are invaluable to any Public Policy and Administration student and I look forward to attending many more in the future.” – Shannon Kalmbach

- “When we started our trip to Orlando for the FCCMA conference, I didn't really know what to expect. It ended up being an educational congregation of many brilliant City Managers and Officials. We got to mingle among potential employers, meet vendors of City services and innovations, and discuss ICMA Student opportunities with fellow members. The guest speaker was very inspiring, and I'm glad I had the chance to hear her speak. After speaking with some of the USF students, I believe there is great potential to collaborate in future meetings and learn from each other. It was cool to see so many important people in one place; I'm happy that I went.” – Connor Donovan
- “FCCMA gave me an opportunity to engage with other like-minded, bubbly, and motivated students who want to make a difference. The conference also allowed me to network a little with past and present city managers from different counties around Florida. It also gave me a second wind in my own journey and reminded me why I chose the Public Policy and Administration program, my Paralegal Certification, and why I strive to be the difference in the world I want to see. Thank you FCCMA for the next step-up and thank you SPC for the opportunity to network and help lead the next SPC student chapter.” – Adriana Hulland
- “The FCCMA conference was truly an exceptional experience that I am thankful to have been a part of.” – Ian Albert



Our Student Chapter is incredibly grateful to the ICMA and FCCMA organizations for another year of fantastic opportunities for our Students. The constant support and guidance from our chapter advisors, Professor Jeff Kronschnabl and Professor Elizabeth Van Scoyoc, has been invaluable. We look forward to another great year!



(Pictured left to right: Ian Albert, Shannon Kalmbach, Connor Donovan, Kayla Curry, Adriana Hulland, and Beth Bird)