

The University of Utah ICMA Student Chapter

2016-2017 Report



A New Student Chapter

This was the inaugural year of the University of Utah ICMA student chapter! The chapter got off to a great start, attracting 23 members from a variety of graduate disciplines, including public administration, political science, public policy, and city & metropolitan planning.

Committee

Faculty Advisors: Erin Moore & Paul Morris

Professional Advisor: Mark Christensen

President: Todd Andersen

Events

The University of Utah ICMA Student Chapter first hosted an opening social for new chapter members to meet each other and members of the chapter committee. The student chapter president outlined his vision for the chapter, and the chapter discussed ideas for future chapter events.

The chapter co-sponsored several events during the 2016-2017 academic year. In February 2017, the chapter was invited to a "City Manager's Lunch" in Sandy, UT. This lunch was organized for city managers and other executive city staff for cities in the Salt Lake County region. In March 2017, the chapter co-sponsored a student forum entitled "*How Do You Start a New City? Opportunities and Challenges of Millcreek, Utah's Newest City.*" The chapter invited the mayor of Millcreek, Jeff Silvestrini, and a Millcreek City Council Member, Bev Uipi, to be featured panelists and share their thoughts on the opportunities and challenges of governing a new municipality. In April 2017, the chapter also co-sponsored a public works/water management "job talk" with David Frandsen, Public Works Director for the city of North Salt Lake and an alumnus of the MPA program.

Conferences/Summits

The chapter was also involved in several state and national city management conferences. Todd Andersen, the student chapter president, attended the ICMA Annual Conference in Kansas City and the Utah City Manager's Association's (UCMA) Fall Conference in Provo, UT. Chapter members also attended the UCMA Annual Spring Conference in St. George, UT, and the ICMA Mountain Plains Regional Summit in Sandy, UT.