START WHERE YOU LIVE

How the UNC School of Government is Creating the Next Generation of Local Leaders

Leveraging the strengths of the UNC research enterprise to increase the organizational capacity of local governments and develop future public service leaders.

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Top Cities for Gen Z Renters

These are the 10 best cities in the US for recent college graduates

The 30 Most Fun Places

Where should you live to guarantee a good time?

Trendiest Zoomer Hotspots in 2022: Gen Z Renters Are Giving Big Cities a Glow Up

Top Places to Move if You’re Single and Why It’s Not NYC

The only generation to record an increase in renting activity in the past year, up big role in the urban revival. Currently representing over a quarter of lease apples are swarming large urban hubs that promise job opportunities, bringing new life considered doomed due to the pandemic.

Remote work has fueled migration across the US, and with rent surging in places a new analysis found a city in Kansas was the top place to relocate.
### Brain Drain

Percentage of North Carolina alumni in each metro area:
- 1% to 5%
- Up to 10%
- Up to 20%
- Up to 50%
- More than 50%

#### In 70 major metros

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Of grads feel politically engaged, but not represented in local institutions (48%)

Of grads know how to get a job in local government (38%)

Of grads believe "local government wants to hire people like me" (24%)

Of grads are interested in working for local government at some point in their career (18%)

Graduates and their ideal careers
of local government leaders in North Carolina are eligible to retire.

This percentage is exacerbated in rural and economically distressed communities.

In NC's most rural counties, local governments employ as many as one out of every three workers.
West Virginia Towns Flood Opioid Companies With Lawsuits

BY TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE | MARCH 15, 2018

Lead Kills Way More Americans Than We Ever Imagined

Nearly as many as cigarettes, a new study suggests.

Mayors pledge to refuse business from vendors opposed to net neutrality rules

Tax Reform Shakes Up the Muni Market Landscape

Is Your County Elections Clerk Ready for Russian Hackers?

BY STATELINE | MARCH 15, 2018

233 Mayors Object to EPA’s Proposal to Scrap Clean Power Plan

This City Is Making Climate Action Affordable for Low-Income Residents

Denver’s 5G Plans Mean Antennas, Lots of Them
White House to invest $1.5 billion to attract more doctors to underserved communities

The money will be able to support nearly 23,000 providers through two national medical programs.
THE LEAD FOR NC FELLOWSHIP

OUR GOAL: CONNECT NC'S MOST TALENTED GRADS WITH HIGH-IMPACT PAID FELLOWSHIPS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Recruit dynamic & diverse leaders across North Carolina's public and private colleges and universities. 590+ students have applied since 2019!

Connect future leaders with local government fellowships. The work scope is designed by the host site and the fellow is supervised by the host organization. 160+ local governments have applied to participate in the program!

Train and support Fellows to address community needs and cultivate lifelong leadership skills. 100+ training hours per fellowship year at the UNC School of Government

Connect service-minded young people with other change agents and community leaders. Connect with MPA programs.

Bridge generational and political differences. Increase government capacity. Reimagine public institutions.
LEAD FOR NC’S ACCOMPLISHMENTS SINCE 2019...

$70+ Million
$1.2 Million
50+

Secured in grants to advance key community initiatives.

Estimated in cost savings to jurisdictions because of their service.

New partnerships reported because of their service.

91% of LFNC Alumni not in graduate school are employed in the public sector
- 20 in local govt.
- 2 in state govt.
- 5 in nonprofit
- 2 in military

76% of LFNC Alumni remain in North Carolina for graduate education or full-time employment

46% of LFNC Alumni are enrolled in graduate programs in public affairs.
- 8 in MPA/MPP
- 4 in planning
- 3 in law school
- 3 in environmental
- 5 other

Since 2019, Lead for NC has placed 75 young people in high-impact fellowships across the state in 68 communities.
What Led Me to LFNC

- Long standing interest in public service, law, government
- Majored in Economics and Political Science at UNC Chapel Hill
- Participated in student government
- Interned at ncIMPACT Initiative
- Developed a passion for local government
- Applied to the program
Work Scope

- Strategic Communications
- Digital Inclusion
- Emergency Planning
- Social Services Programming
- Human Resources Training
Takeaways

- Capacity
- Engagement
- Skills and Experience
- Hiring
- Initiative
- Culture Shock
What's Next?

- Continuing fellowship for one more year
- Planning to obtain joint JD/MPA or JD/MPP
- Pursuing career in public service
  - Government and public interest law
- Renewed commitment to North Carolina