

New Program Evaluation Workshops Offered

Is the county's summer recreation program achieving its goals? How efficiently does the city collect on parking tickets and moving violations?

Government programs and services should be analyzed for how well they work. Program evaluation is meant to evaluate something

—to render a judgment on or answer some question about a program's implementation, effect, or worth.

The School of Government now is offering one- and two-day workshops on program evaluation. The workshops are for beginners, such as new budget and management analysts in cities, counties, and related jurisdictions, or for experienced analysts who are being asked to add to their expertise. Program staff also will benefit, and participants from government agencies and nonprofit groups are welcome.

The workshops will be offered annually, with the next one scheduled for February 8–9, 2007, in Wilmington. For details, contact Angela Bowden at (919) 843-8176 or bowdena@sog.unc.edu.



School Expands Leadership Programs for Local Government Boards

In collaboration with the North Carolina League of Municipalities (NCLM) and the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC), the School of Government is expanding its leadership programs for both newly elected and veteran officials of local government boards. Newly elected officials are encouraged to attend the Essentials, an orientation program offered every other year following county commission and municipal elections. Veteran officials and other members of the local government management team—including city and county managers, clerks, and attorneys—are invited to participate.

The Essentials of County Government program, to be offered in early 2007, includes sessions designed specifically for veteran officials. School of Government faculty, NCLM and NCACC staff, and veteran commissioners will be presenters.

In addition to the Essentials, the School is offering advanced and specialized programs to help elected city and county board officials:

Strategic Leadership for Municipal Boards

November 9, 2006

Working for Results as a Governing Board

Winter 2007

How Am I Doing? Board Self-Assessment and Manager Evaluation

Spring 2007

Managing Conflict: Strategies for Elected Officials

Spring 2007

Calling This Meeting to Order: Parliamentary Procedure

Spring 2007

Ethics and the Public Official

Spring 2007



For more information about the content of the programs and about schedules, contact Donna Warner at (919) 962-1575 or warner@sog.unc.edu, or visit www.sog.unc.edu/programs/ncboards/.