## **Municipal and County Administration Requirements for Program Completion**

To receive a program completion certificate, participants must meet both **participation** and **attendance** requirements.

## **Participation Policy**

- Actively engage with all course components, including pre-recorded video lectures, exercises, small group work, and readings.
- Contribute meaningfully to class discussions and breakout groups, and complete all required assignments.

## **Attendance Policy**

- Attendance on the first day of class is mandatory.
- Participants must attend at least 80% of the program. This allows for up to 20% absence (25 hours).
- The absence allowance is **yours to manage**—you may choose when to use it without prior approval.
- You will need to **track your own absences and failures to sign in for attendance.** We recommend keeping a personal record (e.g., calendar or planner) to monitor your attendance.
- The School of Government, we will verify attendance at the end of the program, for certificates of completion.
- You are responsible for following the attendance tracking system to be counted present.
- Sessions are not recorded, and there are no make-up options for missed classes.

## General Expectations

- **Be on time** for all class sessions, especially morning announcements and important updates.
- Do not sit in the top row. Keep these seats open for visiting faculty or leadership drop in guests to observe certain sessions.
- Wear your name tag each day, and bring your tent card to display during class. These help foster engagement and communication among classmates and faculty.
- Follow any additional guidelines shared during orientation or posted in the classroom.

If you have questions about this policy, contact: Susan Hutchinson — <u>hutchinson@sog.unc.edu</u> Rebecca Badgett — <u>badgett@sog.unc.edu</u>