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Rockefeller Institute to House New York Municipal Clerks Institute

Albany, NY — The Rockefeller Institute of Government of SUNY will soon open a new professional development program for local public servants, the New York Municipal Clerks Institute (NYMCI). The Rockefeller Institute cleared the final hurdle before launching the initiative when it received approval and authorization from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks. The Institute will open in July of 2017.

The NYMCI is a partnership between the Rockefeller Institute, the New York State Association of City and Village Clerks, and the New York State Town Clerks Association. It is designed to "enhance the skills, professional growth and performance of municipal clerks in New York State to improve local governance and better serve citizens."

The NYMCI will leverage the Rockefeller Institute's experience in government education, ongoing cooperation with the University at Albany's Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, and its location in the state capital to meet the educational needs of the NYMCI's students.

NYMCI participants will attend classes at the Rockefeller Institute and elsewhere around the state and participate in distance learning to meet their training needs. Michael Hattery, the Rockefeller Institute's director of Local Government Studies, will run the new program.

"We are thankful to have such excellent partners in this effort at the New York State Association of City and Village Clerks and the New York State Town Clerks Association. We are also pleased that Mike Hattery is leading this initiative. For more than 30 years, Mike has been involved with local governments as a researcher, teacher, consultant, and local elected official in New York State. With this team and leadership, we know that we can make the NYMCI a worthy resource for local governments," said Thomas Gais, director of the Rockefeller Institute.

For more information on the NYMCI, contact Director Michael Hattery at mhattery@albany.edu.

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