

INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENT FOR COUNTY OFFICIALS



February 19, 2026
PASTIDES ALUMNI CENTER AT USC

You must be present for the entire class period to receive transcript credit. Registrants who do not attend the session or who leave early will not receive credit for their certificate. It is your responsibility to complete and return the record of attendance that your instructor will distribute at the end of the class. Credits are valid for four years. If a county official does not graduate within the four-year period, expired credits will be removed from his/her record. Participants are eligible to earn credit for Level II courses after graduating from Level I or earning credit for at least six Level I courses.

Thursday, February 19

- 8:30 A.M.–10:30 A.M. **Registration– Prefunction Area**
- 9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M. **Level I: Developing Good Leadership Skills [E]**
Ballroom 1
Instructor: *Junie Christian, CEO*
 J. Christian & Associates
- 9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M. **Level II: Effective Communications**
Ballroom 2
Instructors: *Jamie Burns, Communications and Engagement Director*
 Pickens County

 Capt. Adam Myrick, Public Information Officer
 Lexington County Sheriff Department

 Milton Pope
 Local Government Manager/Administrator
- 12:00 NOON -1:00 P.M. **Boxed Lunches - for Registered Institute Participants and Speakers only**
Ballroom 3
- 1:00-4:00 P.M. **Level I: Understanding and Seeking Differences [E]**
Ballroom 2
Instructors: *Viki Fecas, Instructor*
 University of South Carolina
- 1:00-4:00 P.M. **Level II: The Policy Role of Council**
Ballroom 1
Instructor: *Walt McBride*
 Senior Public Service Consultant

[R]–Level I Required Course

[E]–Level I Elective Course