

2016 IPT Sales Tax School I
Introduction To Sales and Use Taxes

February 21 - 26, 2016
Georgia Tech Hotel and
Conference Center
Atlanta, Georgia



PROGRAM

◆ SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Registration

5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

BREAKOUT GROUPS

Registrants will be divided into eight problem-solving groups where they will remain throughout the week. Instructors will rotate through the breakout sessions on a schedule posted at registration. Each breakout session will review specific issues discussed in the general sessions. However, in some reviews sessions (audit, legal and homework), registrants will remain together as a school so as to maintain consistency in reviews.

Group #2 - Room: Conference 2 - Gauthier/Peavley

Group #D - Room: Conference D - Wells

Group #E - Room: Conference E - Adams

Group #A - Room: Conference A - Caputa

Group #6 - Room: Conference 6 - Grant

Group #4 - Room: Conference 4 - Gibson

Group #C - Room: Conference C - Cole

Group #B - Room: Conference B - Dyer

5:45 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.

OPENING OF SCHOOL

Grand Ballroom

Margaret C. Wilson CMI, Esq.

President, Institute For Professionals In Taxation ®
Wilson Agosto LLP
Somerville, New Jersey

Brenda S. Kelley, CMI, CPA

Chair School I
Fontaine & Kelley, LLP
Hartsburg, Missouri

6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION

Grand Ballroom

Economic Basis & Sales Tax Policy Considerations

- Importance of the sales tax to state and local government finance
- Sales tax base
- Sales tax fairness
- Business purchases
- Future of the sales tax

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *Comprehend the importance and reasons of taxing sales.*
- *Discuss the importance of destination-based taxes as they relate to business production.*
- *Recognize the general goals in defining the tax base.*
- *Recognize the problems of taxing business.*
- *Grasp the future of sales tax.*

◆ SUNDAY(Continued)/MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Instructor:

William F. Fox, Ph.D.

Director, Center for Business & Economic Research

University of Tennessee

Knoxville, Tennessee

7:30 pm - 8:30 pm Buffet Dinner Conference Dining Room

◆ MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

6:15 am. - 8:15 am. Full Breakfast(For Those [Staying In Hotel](#)) Dining Room

8:30 am - 8:45 am School Overview Grand Ballroom

Brenda S. Kelley, CMI, CPA

Chair, School I

Fontaine & Kelley, LLP

Hartsburg, Missouri

8:45 am - 12 Noon **GENERAL SESSION** Grand Ballroom

Introduction To Sales & Use Taxes

- Imposition and definitions
- Measuring tax
- Exemptions and exclusions

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *Identify and define the four types of sales tax.*
- *Recognize the differences and similarities between sales and use tax.*
- *Know the concepts of exemption and exclusion.*
- *Know the common items included in the tax measure.*
- *Recognize the issues and importance of documentation.*
- *Define terms related to sales and use taxes.*

Instructor:

Allan Wells, CMI

Director, Indirect Tax

ABB Inc.

Cary, North Carolina

12 Noon - 1:00 pm Luncheon Conference Dining Room

◆ MONDAY(Continued)

1:15 pm - 2:15 pm

BREAKOUT GROUPS

(Problem #1, Problem #2: Introduction)

Group #2 - Room: Conference 2 - Diaz
Group #D - Room: Conference D - Gauthier
Group #E - Room: Conference E - Maqueo
Group #A - Room: Conference A - Adams
Group #6 - Room: Conference 6 - Caputa
Group #4 - Room: Conference 4 - Grant
Group #C - Room: Conference C - Gibson
Group #B - Room: Conference B - Cole

2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

GENERAL SESSION

Grand Ballroom

Administration Of Sales And Use Taxes

- Registration
- Tax collection and accruals
- Documenting nontaxable transactions
- Refunds
- Sarbanes Oxley
- Payment issues
- Local taxes

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *List powers and identify taxes administered by governmental agencies.*
- *Comprehend the various components of the Streamlined Sales Tax Agreement.*
- *Know registration issues.*
- *Recognize issues to consider when collecting sales tax.*
- *List steps in developing a tax collection system.*
- *Comprehend issues related to exemption documentation.*
- *Identify issues relating to requesting refunds of sales/use taxes.*
- *Comprehend how Sarbanes-Oxley applies to the sales/use tax functions.*

Instructor:

Brenda S. Kelley, CMI, CPA

Partner

Fontaine & Kelley, LLP

Hartsburg, Missouri

◆ MONDAY(Continued)/TUESDAY

4:15 pm - 5:00 pm

BREAKOUT GROUPS

(Problem #3: Administration)

Group #2 - Room: Conference 2 - Cole
Group #D - Room: Conference D - Maqueo
Group #E - Room: Conference E - Wells
Group #A - Room: Conference A - Gauthier
Group #6 - Room: Conference 6 - Adams
Group #4 - Room: Conference 4 - Caputa
Group #C - Room: Conference C - Grant
Group #B - Room: Conference B - Gibson

◆ TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

6:15 am - 8:15 am

Full Breakfast(For Those [Staying In Hotel](#))

Dining Room

8:30 am - 11:45 am

GENERAL SESSION

Grand Ballroom

Legal Introduction

- Defining and understanding "law"
- The hierarchy of laws
- Critical features of tax law
- Establishment of law
- Judicial system and decisions
- E Commerce issues
- Legal introduction: problem-solving (Problem #4: Legal)
- Legal problem-solving and review

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *Recognize the hierarchy of laws.*
- *Apply the concept of nexus to specific situations.*
- *Understand the consequences of specific decisions made when working with the Department of Revenue.*
- *Recognize the ways to resolve disputes with the Department of Revenue.*
- *Identify the four prongs of the commerce clause and the case basis.*

Instructor:

Jesse R. Adams, III, Esq.

Partner

Jones Walker

New Orleans, Louisiana

11:45 am - 12:45

Luncheon

Conference Dining Room

◆ TUESDAY(Continued)

12:45 pm - 1:45 pm

GENERAL SESSION

Grand Ballroom

Research Tools

- Definition and importance of research
- Sources of sales and use tax research
- Nature and examples of various sources
- Research methodology: a three-step approach
- Tax service overview
- Presenting the results of research and continued review

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *Recognize the importance of using research to determine taxability.*
- *Identify appropriate sources of research materials and tax services to determine taxability.*
- *Determine appropriate methods to convey research findings.*

Instructor:

LiKeisha S. Gibson, CMI

Director

DuCharme, McMillen & Associates, Inc.

Irving, Texas

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

GENERAL SESSION

Grand Ballroom

Systems and Technology

- Basic terminology and concepts
- Involvement in vision development and team meetings
- Developing functional specifications
- Assisting in translation to technical specifications
- Systems testing, use and maintenance

Learning Objectives:

- At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *Identify key terminology & concepts with respects to transactional system implementation projects.*
- *Recognize the importance of Tax's involvement in any transaction-based, system implementation project.*
- *Recognize system implementations that should be of importance to the Sales Tax professional.*
- *Identify key phases of the Traditional Project Lifecycle, along with alternative tax project management approaches.*

Instructor:

Christian Eduardo Diaz

Principal, Tax Technology

The Coca-Cola Company

Atlanta, Georgia

◆ TUESDAY(Continued)/WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

3:15 pm - 4:15 pm **GENERAL SESSION** **Grand Ballroom**

Preparing the Return

- Data gathering and verification
- Return preparation and filing
- Documentation retention and retrieval
- SSTP - Issues of reporting

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *Demonstrate the process of preparing a sales/use tax return.*
- *Know the key elements of a completed sales/use tax return.*
- *Recognize the importance of document retention and retrieval in a corporate tax department.*
- *Know that different states have different filing requirements.*

Instructor:

Dana L. Malburg

Practice Leader - Returns Processing Services

Vertex Inc.

Naperville, Illinois

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm **BREAKOUT GROUPS**
(Problem #4: Research, Utilizing In-Room Laptops; Assign Homework)

- Group #2 - Room: Conference 2 - Dyer
- Group #D - Room: Conference D - Cole
- Group #E - Room: Conference E - Burkey
- Group #A - Room: Conference A - Wells
- Group #6 - Room: Conference 6 - Gibson/Gauthier
- Group #4 - Room: Conference 4 - Henneke
- Group #C - Room: Conference C - Caputa
- Group #B - Room: Conference B - Grant

◆ WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

6:15 am - 8:15 am Full Breakfast(For Those [Staying In Hotel](#)) **Dining Room**

8:30 am - 9:30 am **GENERAL SESSION** **Grand Ballroom**

(Homework review and Quiz)

Instructors:

Kathleen L. Peavley, CMI

Tax Manager

HD Supply, Inc.

Orlando, Florida

◆ WEDNESDAY (Continued)

Allan Wells, CMI
Director, Indirect Tax
ABB Inc.
Cary, North Carolina

9:45 am - 10:45 am

GENERAL SESSION

Grand Ballroom

Introduction to the Taxation of Services

- Enumerated services
- True Object test
- Cross border services
- General rules
- Potential taxable services

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *Ascertain generally how transportation is taxed based upon the methods of shipment.*
- *Recognize that bundling taxable and non-taxable charges may affect taxability.*
- *Identify some of the commonly taxed services today.*
- *Recall that taxable enumerated services are those that are listed in statutes.*
- *Explain what is meant by a “true object test”.*

Instructor:

Garfield A. Grant, CMI, CPA
Director
DuCharme, McMillen & Associates, Inc.
Sugar Land, Texas

11:00am - 12:15 pm

GENERAL SESSION

Grand Ballroom

■ **Overview: Manufacturing Industry**

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *Determine where manufacturing begins and ends for application of any machinery exemptions.*
- *Recognize exemption qualifiers related to manufacturing exemptions including directly, exclusively and predominantly.*
- *Know the main groups of exemptions/exclusions available to manufacturers including raw materials, consumables/catalysts, machinery, packaging materials, fuels and utilities, pollution control, quality control, and research and development.*
- *Recognize requirements for fuel and utilities exemptions including exclusive use, predominant use study, and apportionment.*

◆ WEDNESDAY (Continued)

Instructor:

Randy Caputa, CMI
Sales Tax Manager
FedEx Corporation
Memphis, Tennessee

12:15 pm - 1:15 pm **Luncheon** **Conference Dining Room**

1:15 pm - 2:15 pm **BREAKOUT GROUPS**
(Problem #5: Manufacturing)

Group #2 - Room: Conference 2 - Gibson
Group #D - Room: Conference D - Dyer
Group #E - Room: Conference E - Cole
Group #A - Room: Conference A - Henneke
Group #6 - Room: Conference 6 - Wells
Group #4 - Room: Conference 4 - Maqueo
Group #C - Room: Conference C - Gauthier
Group #B - Room: Conference B - Caputa

2:30 pm - 3:45 pm **GENERAL SESSION** **Grand Ballroom**

■ **Overview: Retail Industry**

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *Define the following terms: retailer, trade-in, tender amount, excess tax collected, bracket system and buy downs.*
- *Identify how trade-ins, discounts, rebates, coupons, and returned merchandise can affect the taxable selling price.*
- *Recognize how different product definitions affect retailers.*
- *Recognize how services sold in connection with tangible personal property can affect the taxable selling price of goods.*
- *Discuss the differences in reasons sales made by retailers may be exempt.*
- *Recognize when purchases made by a retailer are taxable or exempt.*
- *Describe operational compliance and tax reporting issues for a retailer.*
- *Explain the nexus rules that apply to a mail order or internet business. - Explain how having physical locations of the same company or merely having a subsidiary in the state can affect the nexus status.*
- *Identify a retailer's audit issues.*

Instructor:

Kathleen L. Peavley, CMI
Tax Manager
HD Supply, Inc.
Orlando, Florida

◆ WEDNESDAY (Continued)/THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

4:00 pm. - 5:00 pm. **GENERAL SESSION**
Ethics in Sales and Use Taxation
(Must Attend Session To Receive Credit For School Attendance))

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *Know the importance and reasons of ethical behavior in a profession.*
- *Recognize unethical behaviors as related to IPT's Code of Ethics.*

Instructor:

Emily Gauthier, CMI

Manager

KPMG LLP

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

5:00 pm - 5:30 pm **GENERAL SESSION (OPTIONAL)** **Grand Ballroom**
■ Discussion of CMI Sales and Use Tax Designation

Moderator:

Emily Archer

Certification Officer

IPT

Atlanta, Georgia

◆ THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

6:15 am - 8:15 am **Full Breakfast(For Those [Staying In Hotel](#))** **Dining Room**

8:30 am - 9:30 am **GENERAL SESSION** **Grand Ballroom**
■ **Overview: Leasing Industry**

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *Know definitions used in leasing industry related to sales and use taxes.*
- *Recognize steps for reviewing a lease transaction.*

Instructor:

William J. McConnell, CMI, CPA, Esq.

Director of Tax

Level 3 Communications

Broomfield, Colorado

◆ THURSDAY (Continued)

9:30 am. - 10:15 am **GENERAL SESSION**

Grand Ballroom

■ **Overview: Construction Industry**

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *Define the following terms: tangible personal property, real property, construction contractor, fixed price contract, lump sum contract, cost plus contract, time and material contract, agency clause, grandfather clause, and tax clause.*
- *Recognize and understand the general bid and proposal process and general contract setup guidelines.*
- *Explain how states generally treat contractors for sales and use tax purposes.*
- *Plan and prepare for state audits by ensuring proper supporting documentation is available to state auditors.*

Instructor:

Rodney L. Cole, CMI

Tax Principal

Essilor of America Inc.

Dallas, Texas

10:30 am - 12:30 pm **GENERAL SESSION**

Grand Ballroom

Audits

- Types of supporting documentation required
- Review of Accounts Payable
- Review of Accounts Receivable
- Billing Records
- Necessity of trial balances, G/L's, etc.
- Review of resale and exemption certificates
- Audit Problem

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *Know the audit process.*
- *Recognize the importance of recordkeeping, prior audit review and due diligence when facing an audit.*
- *Identify the responsibilities of both the company and the auditor related to the scope of an audit.*

Instructor:

Josie Ann Henneke, CMI, CPA, CSA

Vice President

AGS Capital, LLC

Indianapolis, Indiana

◆ THURSDAY (Continued)

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm Luncheon Conference Dining Room

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm **GENERAL SESSION** Grand Ballroom
Overview: **Retail Industry (Breakout Problem)**

Instructors:

Various School Instructors

2:45 pm - 3:45 pm **GENERAL SESSION** Grand Ballroom
Value Added Tax (VAT)

This session is designed to introduce Value Added Tax (“VAT”) terminology, operations, and effect on business operations, and to compare and contrast VAT and Canadian Transaction Taxes to a US Sales Tax.

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this section, the learner will be able to:

- *Be able to comprehend the basic operations of a Value Added Tax and Transaction Taxes in Canada*
- *Know basic definitions associated with Value Added Taxes and Canadian Taxation*
- *Recognize the economic and business implications of a VAT*
- *Know the importance of VAT thru-put to a Tax Professional*
- *Recall the three conditions that must exist in order for a VAT to be charged*
- *Distinguish between Exemptions in VAT and Zero Rating*
- *Identify the four types of VAT imposed in Canada, and recognize their similarities and differences*
- *Know the operations and limitations on an Input Tax Credit*

Instructor:

Lynn L. Monsalvatge, CMI

Tax Director

The Home Depot

Atlanta, Georgia

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm **GENERAL SESSION**
Overall School review

Instructor:

Brenda S. Kelley, CMI, CPA

Partner

Fontaine & Kelley, LLP

Hartsburg, Missouri

◆ FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

6:00 am - 8:30 am	Full Breakfast(For Those Staying In Hotel)	Dining Room
9:00 am - 10:30 am	FINAL EXAMINATION	Grand Ballroom
10:30 am	School Concludes	

2016 SALES TAX SCHOOL I COMMITTEE PROGRAM CHAIR, VICE CHAIR

Chair:

Brenda S. Kelley, CMI, CPA

Partner
Fontaine & Kelley, LLP
Hartsburg, Missouri

Vice Chair:

Kathleen L. Peavley, CMI

Tax Manager
HD Supply, Inc.
Orlando, Florida

TESTING/HOMEWORK

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Faculty

Twenty-three Instructors constitute the full faculty **from which certain instructors will be drawn for the 2016 school** (18 - they are shown in red; the private and corporate sectors are represented. Biographical summaries of the Instructors will be furnished at registration.

Jesse R. Adams, Esq.

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National Association of State Boards of Accountancy

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Approximately **36** hours of continuing education credits are available for full attendance, of which **1.2** are for "Ethics." In accordance with the standards of the National registry of CPE Sponsors, CPE credits have been granted based on a 50-minute hour. CMIs will obtain hour-for-hour continuing education credits for attendance.

<i>Prerequisites:</i>	None
<i>Program Level:</i>	Basic
<i>Field of Study:</i>	Taxation (Sales Tax)
<i>Instructional Method:</i>	Group Live
<i>Advance Preparation Required:</i>	None

As required by regulatory agencies, IPT must verify individual attendance at sessions in order to grant Continuing Education Credits. Each registrant's name badge has a unique bar code that identifies that individual. In order to obtain CE credit, the individual must have his or her bar coded badge scanned during the first 15 minutes of each session. No credit for the session will be given to un-scanned registrants. All attendees will receive a Certificate of Attendance with a record of scanned attendance.

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CMI DESIGNATION

The Institute for Professionals in Taxation's designation "Certified Member of the Institute" (CMI) is available to anyone who is a sales tax member of the Institute in good standing and who meets all other requirements. The purpose of the certification program is to further the professional development of its members. For further information, please contact the IPT Office.

GOAL OF THE SCHOOL:

The purpose of this school is to provide a basic but broad foundation in the theory of sales and use taxation and the practical aspects of sales and use tax management. Successful completion of this school should prepare the beginning sales tax professional to function efficiently in and provide added value to an entry-level position, regardless of industry or jurisdiction.

REGISTRATION

Registrations must be completed in advance through the IPT Office. **No on-site registration is allowed. Enrollment is limited to IPT members and individuals from their companies, only.**

PLEASE GO TO THE IPT WEB SITE FOR THE IPT ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE SCHOOL (WWW.IPT.ORG). THE FORM CAN BE COMPLETED ELECTRONICALLY AND EMAILED (TO: TMILLER@IPT.ORG) OR PRINTED OUT AND SENT TO IPT. COMPLETING IT ELECTRONICALLY INSURES CLARITY OF THE DATA THAT IPT RECEIVES AND RESULTS IN FEWER ERRORS.

Each company will be allowed up to a maximum of two (2) registrants should the school be over-subscribed. However, as many registrations as wished can be submitted, **but please indicate the order in which they are to be accepted in the event of over-subscription.**

Full refunds will be issued for any applications not accepted. Notification of acceptance will be sent out after **January 8, 2016**. **All applications need to be received by the IPT Office no later than January 22, 2016, for timely consideration.** Names received thereafter may not appear in the printed registration list.

Registration fees are as follows

(applicant or someone from company must belong to IPT):

By January 22, 2016

\$795 (Applicant Personally Belongs To IPT)

\$1045 (Applicant Does Not)

After January 22, 2016

\$845 (Applicant Personally Belongs To IPT)

\$1,095 (Applicant Does Not)

NOTE: In cases where local registrants from the Atlanta area are not residing at the Conference Center Hotel, there is an added registration fee supplement of **\$600.00**.

All registrations must be completed in advance of the school. The Institute accepts credit cards as indicated. The following applies for registration fees received by the IPT Office:

CANCELLATION FEE

\$100 for any filed registration. After February 12, no refunds will be made. **No cancellations will be valid unless placed in writing to IPT.** For more information regarding administrative policies such as complaint and refund, contact our office at (404) 240-2300.

SUBSTITUTION FEE

Prior to (including) January 22:	\$40.00
After January 22:	\$50.00

SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

An integral part of the school is the notebook that contains all of the learning materials. **No notebooks will be distributed at the school.** As part of the registration fee, students will be given web access to be able to download, save and print copies of the book chapters, appendices and breakout problems to a single device seven days before the school and during the school. **A student may elect to order a printed copy of the book for a price of \$50.00 up to fourteen (14) days before the school.** If this option is desired, please check the appropriate box on the IPT Registration form. Please note that having access to the materials during the school is imperative in the learning process. **Web access will not be available during the school in the meeting rooms nor are there readily accessible power outlets available in the meeting rooms to power a computer if the materials are stored on a hard drive.**

ACCOMMODATIONS

All Registrants and Instructors are expected to reside at the Georgia Tech Hotel and Conference Center in Atlanta, at the IPT group rate. The only permissible exceptions are those individuals who reside in the Atlanta area (see following paragraph). This required individual **group rate is \$1,451.07** (includes all taxes) for the five night stay **Sunday through Thursday nights** (this cannot be portionally prorated – it is a flat, negotiated rate with no credit for early departure or late arrival). (In some cases in the past, individuals have shared a room. If this is elected, this **package cost PER PERSON is \$1,142.34** (includes all taxes). For those arriving before Sunday or staying beyond Friday, the nightly room charge is **\$139.00 (plus 16% tax plus \$5.00 per night additional room tax)**. The hotel accepts all major credit cards. Go to the following link to make your hotel reservation:

[IPT Sales and Use Tax Course- Reservations Link](#)

You may also access this hotel link on IPT's web site: www.ipt.org. Acceptance letters will be sent by January 8, 2016. Note that the cut-off date for IPT's room block at the hotel is January 22, 2016.

Registrants are expected to stay at the hotel given the peer interaction that takes place which is an essential part of the program. Should election be made by Atlanta registrants, however, to stay at home, there is a supplemental registration fee of \$600.00 to cover some of the overhead costs that are a part of the hotel registration fee. The \$600 supplemental fee covers - dinner on Sunday night, breakfast items that are available on the second floor continental breakfast (not the full breakfast in the dining room), and lunch Monday through Thursday,

refreshment breaks and the individual daily participant fee charged by the hotel that is applied to audio visual and meeting room space costs.

FACTS ABOUT GEORGIA TECH HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER

The Georgia Tech Hotel and Conference Center is an integral part of Georgia Tech's campus in Midtown Atlanta. In addition to its high-tech features, the hotel has the following amenities: an outdoor courtyard, an all-day dining room, club lounge, an indoor swimming pool, and a fully equipped fitness center. Taxi cab fare is \$32.50 (flat fee) from the airport to the Conference Center. There is a subway station (MARTA) at the airport which has a stop four blocks from the hotel.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Registrants will be provided five full breakfasts (full breakfasts are only available to those individuals residing in the hotel - continental breakfast on the second floor is available to all), four lunches, the opening night buffet, refreshment breaks, and course materials. The Registrant is responsible for his or her own dinner Monday through Thursday. Registrants should bring along a calculator, scratch pads, pencils, pens, etc. A link will be furnished to each student allowing electronic access to the school notebook. Attendance will be electronically recorded, and all Registrants will be required to complete a final examination on Friday, February 26th that will be administered from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. (please make your travel arrangements accordingly). **Also, all students must arrive no later than 3:00 p.m. Sunday afternoon, February 21st.** Note that hotel check-in may not be until 4:00 p.m. Class sessions will begin Sunday at 5:00 p.m., after registration. Attire during the day is business casual.

