

Welcome to the Capital of Kansas!

Uniform: No Unit Ball Caps are allowed at PPC. ODU's are not authorized for class.

Summer Period (1 Mar – 31 Oct). Service Dress Blue Bravo and Tropical Blue Long are the prescribed uniforms.

Winter Period (1 Nov – 28 Feb). Service Dress Blue Bravo, Winter Dress Blue, and Tropical Blue Long are authorized.

Note: For those attending workshops on Fridays, every Friday is alternate attire. Alternate attire is business casual, but may include jeans. Please, no excessively worn jeans, no t-shirts, and no tennis shoes.

Weather: Being in the Midwest means that summers can be very humid and winters harsh. Summer temperatures can reach into the 90s and winter snowstorms can accumulate anywhere from 4-12". The peak tornado season for Kansas is April-June, bringing severe thunderstorms. It's always a good idea to check www.weather.com for weather forecasts.

Checking In:

PPC is located in the Frank Carlson Federal Building. **You cannot gain access to the building prior to 0800.** You must check in with Admin for a visitor's badge. The PPC Learning Center is located on the first floor in the back right corner. If you have any additional questions, please contact any of the following instructors:

- Charlie Bartocci 785-339-2238
- John James 785-339-2265
- Karen Emmot 785-339-2225 (Supervisor)
- YN1 Jennifer Kelly 785-339-2213
- Madeline Jackson 785-339-2209

Schedules: All Workshops will begin at **0830** on the first day. It is recommended to arrive at **0800** to allow time to log onto a classroom computer. Begin times after that will be at the discretion of the Instructor. The Frank Carlson Federal Building doesn't open until 0800. You will need to clear security upon arrival, after which you will be issued a visitor's pass for access to the building and classroom. For travel arrangement purposes, **Workshops are scheduled to end at 1600 hours.**

Please make travel arrangements accordingly. Estimate 3 hours from your departure in Topeka to Kansas City International to make sure you allow time to get to KC, return your rental car, and get through security.

Airport: Kansas City International airport is approximately 75-miles (1.5 hours from Topeka, KS.) The airport code is MCI. <http://www.kansas-city-mci.com/>

Transportation: A rental car is strongly recommended.

Shuttle services available are:

- KCI Shuttle (816-243-5000 or 800-243-6383),
- KCI Roadrunner Express (800-826-1734)

Parking:

Your best option for parking is the Townsite Parking Garage right next to the Federal Building. The rate is \$6.00 per day. **See map on next page.**



Directions:

From KCI airport.

Take I-435 West / I-29 North from the Airport.

When these split, take I-435 South toward Topeka.

Take the I-70 exit towards the Kansas Turnpike/ST Louis/Topeka and continue on I-70 West.

Exit the "Turnpike", remaining on I-70. This is the **first** Topeka exit on the Turnpike. Your toll will be approx. \$2.00.

In Topeka, take the 8th Ave exit. Continue straight on SE Madison Street.

Turn left on SE 6th Ave.

One block **after** the freeway will be one of the entrances to the Townsite Parking Garage.

From the West side of Topeka.

Take I-70 East.

Exit at 3rd Street / Munro Street.

Turn right on Se 6th Ave.

One block **after** the freeway will be one of the entrances to the Townsite Parking Garage.

Phone Numbers:

PPC Weather Hotline: 785-339-3700 press # key, then 1. This hotline is updated during times of inclement weather advising the PPC what time to report.

Kansas Highway & Weather Info: Dial 511 from a landline or wireless phone.

1-866-511-KDOT is also available for the same info.

Hotels:

Current per diem for Topeka can be found at the Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee website:

<https://secureapps2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/>

If you do not have access to this site, try:

http://www.gsa.gov/Portal/gsa/ep/contentView.do?queryYear=2006&contentType=GSA_BASIC&contentId=17943&queryState=Kansas&noc=T

Best Western Inn

700 SW Fairlawn Rd.
(785) 228-2223

Candlewood Suites

914 SW Henderson Rd.
(785) 271-7822

Clubhouse Inn

922 SW Henderson Rd.
(785) 273-8888

Comfort Inn

1518 SW Wanamaker Rd.
(785) 273-5365

Country Inn & Suites

6020 SW 10th Ave.
(785) 478-9800

Courtyard Topeka

2033 SW Wanamaker Rd.
(785) 271-6165

Days Inn

1510 SW Wanamaker Rd.
(785) 272-8538

Fairfield Inn

1530 SW Westport Dr.
(785) 273-6800

Hampton Inn

1401 SW Ashworth Pl.
(785) 273-0003

Holiday Inn Express – Topeka

901 SW Robinson Ave.
(785) 272-8040

Holiday Inn Topeka – West

605 SW Fairlawn Rd.
(785) 272-8040

Quality Inn

1240 SW Wanamaker Rd.
(785) 273-6969

Residence Inn – Topeka

1620 SW Westport Dr.
(785) 271-8903

Sleep Inn & Suites

1024 SW Wanamaker Rd.
(785) 228-2500

Super 8 Motel

5968 SW 10th Ave.
(785) 273-5100

Restaurants:

**Restaurants on or near
Wanamaker**

Applebee's
Buffalo Wild Wings
Chili's
Chipotle
Coyote Canyon
Cracker Barrel
Freddy's
Golden Corral
Hu Hot
Jason's Deli
Jersey Mike's
Jimmy Johns
Johnny Carino's
Jose Peppers
Longhorn Steakhouse
Old Chicago
Olive Garden
On the Border
Outback Steakhouse
Panera Bread
Perkin's Family
Restaurant
Planet Sub
Qdoba
Quizno's
Red Lobster
Red Robin
Ruby Tuesday's
Steak N' Shake
Texas Roadhouse

AMERICAN

Boston Market
2110 SW Wanamaker Rd

BAR-B-QUE

Boss Hawg's Barbeque Co.
2833 SW 29th St

Grover's Smokehouse
1217 SW Gage Blvd

BREWERY

**Blind Tiger Brewery &
Restaurant**
417 SW 37th Street

BURGERS

Bobo's Drive In
2300 SW 10th Ave

Burger King
1800 SW 10th Ave
2817 SE California Ave
3690 SW Topeka Blvd
6002 SW 10th Ave

Hardee's
2424 SW 6th Ave
2300 NW Topeka Blvd
2100 SW Wanamaker Rd

McDonalds
3320 SW Harrison St
1640 SW Wanamaker Rd
3530 NW 46th St
1201 SW Gage Blvd

TOPEKA RESTAURANT GUIDE

5525 SW 21st St
2880 SE California Ave
2001 NW Topeka Blvd
3117 SW Topeka Blvd
1301 SW 37th St
3072 SW 29th St
2933 SW Wanamaker Rd

Wendy's

1251 SW Gage Blve
728 Sw Topeka Blvd
1820 SW Wanamaker Rd
2025 NW Topeka Blvd
3250 SW Topeka Blvd

CHINESE

China Pavilion

5348 SW 17th St

Golden Dragon

1101 S Kansas Ave

Golden Dynasty Carry-Out

5141 SW 29th St

Great Wall Chinese Restaurant

1336 SW 17th St

Hong Kong Buffet

1835 NW Topeka Blvd

Hunan Chinese Restaurant

5005 SW 29th St

Jade Garden Chinese Restaurant

2038 SW Gage Blvd

New China

201 SW 29th St

Oriental Express

5954 SW 29th St

Panda Buffet

1801 SW Wanamaker

Taste of China

2022 NW Topeka Blvd

COFFEE HOUSES

Buzz

2839 SW 29th St.

Cardona Coffee LLP

243 Forbes Field

Classic Bean

2727 SW Wanamaker Rd
2125 SW Fairlawn Rd
722 S Kansas Ave

Coffee Break Café

601 NW US Highway 24

Coffee Lovers

1801 SW Wanamaker Rd

Daylight Donuts

4000 SW 21st St
463 SE 29th St

Heartland Coffee & Packing

719 SE Hancock St

Kaner Coffee

2601 SW 6th Ave

Lazio's Coffee Bar & Roasterie

2111 SW Belle Ave

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Lola's Café Espresso

4025 SW 10th Ave, #2701

Margie's Java Café

4036 SW Huntoon St

Ms Coffee

1915 SW Collins Ave

Nib's House of Coffee

2525 NW Topeka Blvd

PT's Coffee & Roasterie

5660 SW 29th St

World Cup Espresso

1501 SW 21st St, #110

ITALIAN

Johnny Carino's

6130 SW 6th Ave

Mr. Goodcents Subs & Pasta

3640 SW Topeka Blvd, #B

Olive Garden Italian Restaurant

1925 SW Wanamaker Rd

Paisano's Ristorante

4043 SW 10th Ave

MEXICAN

Carlos O'Kelly's Mexican Café

3425 S Kansas Ave

Casa Authentic Mexican Food

3320 SW Topeka Blvd

Chili's Grill & Bar

2021 SW Wanamaker Rd

La Siesta Restaurant

201 NE Woodruff Ave

Las Fuentes Mexican Restaurant

3656 SW Topeka Blvd
4109 SW Gage Center

Lupita's Mexican Restaurant

732 S Kansas Ave

Pepe & Chela's

1001 SW Tyler St

Snacks El Mexicano

2100 SE California Ave

Taco Bell

1801 SW Wanamaker Rd
101 SE 29th St
2013 NW Topeka Blvd
1560 W Wanamker Rd

Taco Casa

4645 NW Hunters Ridge Cir
1423 SW 6th Ave
5656 SW 29th St

Taco El Sol

2124 SE 6th Ave

Taco John's

3506 SW Topeka Blvd

Taco Tico

5222 SW 17th St

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2102 NW Topeka Blvd

Taco Villa

5300 SW 21st St, #A

Tacos El Mexicano

2002 SE California Ave

Tortilla Jacks Mexican Restaurant

1618 SW Washburn Ave

PIZZA

Boulevard Pizza

5145 SW Topeka Blvd

Chuck E Cheese

2215 SW Wanamaker Rd

Cici's Pizza

2130 SW Wanamaker Rd

Domino's Pizza

735 NW Topeka Blvd
2835 SE California Ave
2110 SW Randolph Ave

Gambino's Pizza

3613 NW 46th St

Glory Days Pizza

2811 SW Wanamaker Rd
4731 NW Hunters Ridge Cir

Godfather's Pizza

5300 SW 17th St
1707 SE 29th St, #700
1835 NW Topeka Blvd

Papa John's Pizza

1700 SW Washburn Ave
2121 SW Wanamaker Rd

Papa Murphy's Take 'n' Bake

6021 SW 29th St
1035 SW Gage Blvd

Pizza Hut

500 SW 10th Ave
2007 SE 29th St
2310 NW Topeka Blvd
3406 SW Topeka Blvd
2119 SW Gage Blvd
1700 SW Wanamaker Rd

Pizza Parlor

1919 NE Seward Ave

Topeka Pizza

2835 SE California Ave

SEAFOOD

Long John Silver's

1500 SW 6th Ave
2117 NW Topeka Blvd
2746 SW Fairlawn Rd

Red Lobster

2011 SW Wanamaker Rd