

Kaplan International College Cambridge

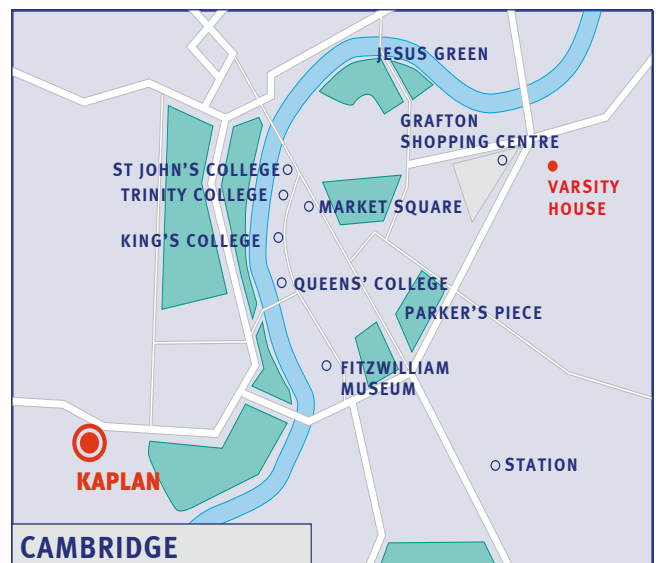
Welcome to Kaplan International College in Cambridge. The college offers a peaceful study environment with easy access to the attractions of central Cambridge. The college has long been a favourite destination of language students from all over the world.

Less than 1 hour from London, this famous town combines the tranquil beauty of its university with a busy town centre that offers a range of shops, pubs and first class restaurants. It also boasts a lively arts scene with a variety of theatres, concerts and exhibitions.

Founded in the late 1970s, the college is housed in a large, converted Edwardian house with a modern extension. The college is west of the city centre in the quiet, residential area of Newnham, a 10-minute bus ride away from the centre. The college has its own gardens where we hold barbecues on warm summer evenings.



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College Facilities

Classrooms

There are 8 large classrooms which are spacious, each seating up to 15 students. All rooms are complete with tables and chairs and a whiteboard. There are televisions, videos, DVD players, CD and cassette players and overhead projectors available for lessons.

Multimedia and IT centre

Kaplan Cambridge has 3 computer rooms. The first is for internet access and consists of 5 computers with free email. The second is for study use and structured study and has 15 computers with all the software students need to better their English. There is also an extra Structured Study Room with 5 computers for General and Intensive English students. The college also has free wireless internet connection, so students with their own laptops can have internet access while at the college.

Reception Library

We have available in our reception area graded readers, cassette tapes and DVDs that students can borrow.

Study room

There is a study room in the college that students can use in their free time for a quiet place to study.

Coffee shop

There is a coffee shop on the premises which serves hot and cold meals and provides a place where students can relax in their free time.

Sports facilities

Public parks can be used for outdoor sporting activities. The activities coordinator can help with organising these events.

Gym facilities

Students are able to join the local gym for indoor sports and fitness training.

Activities/Social Programme

A full and varied social programme is organised each week. Please see overleaf for an example timetable.



Classroom



College exterior

Your first day

On the first day of your course you need to report to the college reception at 8.00am. Your first day will be a Monday unless there is a holiday on the Monday, in which case your first day will be Tuesday.

Your course will begin with an all-day introduction that will include:

- A Placement Test to determine the level of the course you require
- A welcome talk by the Principal or Director of Studies
- Information about your classes
- Information about the college and area
- An overview of college activities and excursions
- An introduction to the Multimedia Centre
- A tour of the college and facilities
- Completion of forms and collection of any outstanding payments
- A walking tour of Cambridge

You will also receive information about your class schedule, classroom number, study level, elective course, and the hours you are to attend class. We will put you in the most suitable class for your level of English. Please bring your Kaplan documents, your passport, £25 book deposit and pen and paper for note-taking purposes.

Local Information

Transport - buses and trains

Weekly passes can be bought for the local bus service which can save you time and money. It takes approximately 10 minutes to get into the town centre by bus. You can reserve tickets and pick up train timetables at the college reception.

Banks and Post Office

There are many banks in the town centre for you to choose from. Always remember to change money and cheques in banks. There is also a post office in the town, post office boxes are red and located on many street corners.

Restaurants and cafés

There are many different restaurants, cafés and pubs located in the town centre.

Department stores and supermarkets

There are some small supermarkets and food stores located within walking distance of the college.

Telephone and Internet Café

You can access internet and email in the second computer room and internet cafes in the city-centre. There is a public telephone at the college. Students are advised to buy a phone card for long distance calls and to call on weekend and evenings as call rates are cheaper then.

Church/Mosque

There are churches of all religions and faiths close to the college. A list of these and their locations is posted at the college.

Cost of Living

Approximate prices in GBP

College Coffee Shop	Buying lunch in town
All hot meals £3.50	Sandwich £2.50-3.50
Canned drink £0.70	Coffee £2.50
Coffee £0.80	Tea £2.00
Hot Chocolate £0.80	Canned drink £0.80-1.00
Tea £0.50	Bottled water £1.00
Fruit Juice £0.55	Lasagne £6.50
Baguettes £2.10-2.50	Burger meal £3.80
Sandwiches £1.80-2.00	Pizza Slice £5.00
Salad Bar £1.95	Chicken Salad £4.00
Pizza slice £1.00	Jacket Potato £5.00
Panini £2.00	
Pain au chocolat £0.90	Tickets/Rental
Fruit salad £1.90	Cinema (student rate) £5.30
	Bike hire (per week)
	£6.00-18.00
	Bus pass (per week) £11.00



The Mathematical Bridge over the River Cam



The University of Cambridge - St. John's College



Kaplan International College coffee shop



Bikes outside Kaplan International college

Sample Activities Schedule

Please note that this is a sample programme and activities may change. See a current activities schedule at: www.kaplanaspect.com

Week one

Monday	Welcome tour of Cambridge
Tuesday	Sports afternoon (tennis, football, badminton)
Wednesday	Theatre trip to London to see a musical
Thursday	Student pub evening with our teachers
Friday	Disco Night
Saturday	Trip to Windsor Castle and London

Week two

Monday	Salsa Dancing
Tuesday	Cheap movie night at the cinema
Wednesday	Sports afternoon (tennis, football, badminton)
Thursday	Visit to the Fitzwilliam museum
Friday	BBQ in the garden
Saturday	Trip to Stratford-on-Avon and Warwick Castle

Some activities are free, but for others students will need to pay the relevant amount (such as entry fees) in order to participate.

Transfer Information

Kaplan Transfers

Students should arrive at Heathrow, Gatwick, Luton or Stansted Airport. A driver will meet students at the airport to help with transportation. Kaplan Transfer Service must be arranged in advance.

Independent Transfers

For students who prefer to organise their own transport from the airport, National Express runs coach services to Cambridge from most of the major airports. See the National Express website for more details: www.nationalexpress.com

London Heathrow Airport to Cambridge

National Express Coach

Coach departs LHR Terminal 4 and LHR Central Bus Station approximately every 30 - 45 minutes. First coach is at 05.20 and last coach is at 23.40. Journey time: 2 - 3 hours.

London Gatwick Airport to Cambridge

National Express Coach

Coach departs from South or North Terminal Coach Station approximately every hour. First coach is at 02.00 and last coach is at 23.55. Journey time: 4 - 6 hours.

London Luton Airport to Cambridge

National Express Coach

Coach departs from Bus Station outside Terminal approximately every hour from 02.55 until 23.25. Journey time: 1.5 - 4 hours.

Stansted Airport to Cambridge

National Express Coach

First coach at 04:55, then a coach departs from the Coach Station approximately every hour from 07.00 until 23.00. Journey time: 50 minutes.

Train

Approximately every 30 minutes. Journey time: 30 minutes.

Central London to Cambridge

National Express Coach

Departs London Victoria Coach Station approximately every 30 minutes from 06.30 until 22.00. Journey time: 2 - 4 hrs.

Train

Trains to Cambridge depart from London Kings Cross station and London Liverpool Street every 30 minutes from 06.00 - 23.00. Journey time: 50 minutes.



Picnic benches in the college garden