

Kaplan International Center San Diego

Welcome to Kaplan International Center San Diego! Kaplan San Diego has a relaxed and international atmosphere, offers a comprehensive range of English courses, has first class learning facilities, and is in a wonderful location in La Jolla, San Diego.

San Diego, with a population of over 1 million, is the sixth largest city in the US and is one of the most scenic towns on the Californian coast. La Jolla was established as a resort town in the early 1890s, and is now a destination where people live year round. La Jolla is one of the most unique communities of San Diego, combining natural beauty and local charm. La Jolla has been compared to the Italian Riviera and international visitors enjoy our seven miles of white, sandy beaches, exquisite views, fabulous shopping and proximity to the world-class university, the University of California at San Diego (UCSD). San Diego has many attractions such as Sea World, the San Diego Zoo, the Wild Animal Park and Balboa Park.

Kaplan San Diego is located about 5-minutes (walking) from the white, sandy beaches of La Jolla. The main streets, Girard and Prospect, have many shops, restaurants, museums and galleries.

Kaplan International Center Educational Programs in the USA are accredited by the Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training.

Kaplan International Centers is a member of AAIEP (American Association of Intensive English Programs), TESOL (Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages) and NAESA (Association for International Educators).



La Jolla beach scene



Kaplan International Center San Diego
1111 Torrey Pines Road
La Jolla, CA 92037
USA

Center Facilities

Classrooms

There are 8 classrooms that can seat up to 15 students each. There is access to satellite television in some of the classrooms.

Multimedia Center

There are computers in the multimedia center along with a vast collection of learning software for students' use. The multimedia center is a great place to utilize technology to maximize your learning. Students with laptops are welcome to use our free wireless internet service.

Library

A small selection of English-language fiction books are available on site for students. Students can also use the several public libraries as well as the university library in San Diego. Students may also ask teachers for specific publications.

Student Reception

The student reception area is bright, airy and seats up to 20 students. It is equipped with café-style tables, a couch, vending machines, a microwave and a refrigerator.

Cafeteria

There are vending machines selling drinks and tables for enjoying your lunch in the student lounge.

Sports facilities

Basketball and tennis courts are walking distance from the center. The Bay Pointe apartments have an outdoor swimming pool, hot tubs, and exercise facilities including treadmills, bikes, weights, and lighted tennis and basketball courts.

Gym facilities

Several gym facilities with short-term membership options are within walking distance of the center and the student apartments.

Activities/Social Program

Kaplan plans a busy schedule of activities each month including trips to San Francisco, Las Vegas and Los Angeles. There are also days at Sea World and the famous San Diego Zoo.



Kaplan San Diego students



Kaplan San Diego classroom

Your first day

On the first day of your course you need to go to the center at 8:30 am and take the elevator to the second floor. Your first day will be a Monday unless there is a national holiday on the Monday - in which case your first day will be Tuesday.

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

- A welcome talk by the Center Director
- A placement test to determine the level of the course you require
- Information about your classes
- Information about the TOEFL and TOEIC exams
- Information about the center and area
- An overview of center activities and excursions
- Possible walking tour of La Jolla
- Completion of forms and collection of any outstanding payments

Please bring the following with you:

- Passport and I-94 form (given to you at US Immigration)
- I-20 form (if you have an F-1 visa)
- Proof of Health Insurance
- USD \$40 book deposit
- USD \$100 housing deposit for student apartments
- All of your Kaplan documents and a pen and paper for note-taking purposes.

On the second day you will receive information about your class schedule, classroom number book, study level, elective course, and the hours you are to attend class. You will be assigned the most appropriate class for your level of English.

Local Information

Transport - buses and trains

Bus stops and bus links can be found within 1 block from the center. The nearest train station is a 30-minute bus ride away.

Banks and post office

Banks are located less than a 5 minute walk from the center. A post office is located within a 5 minute walking distance of the center.

Restaurants and cafés

A variety of restaurants and cafés are located across the street.

Department stores and supermarkets

Department stores are a 25 minute bus ride from the center. The closest supermarket is approximately a 5 minute walk away.



Front desk at Kaplan San Diego



Balboa Park



Kaplan students



Sea World

Cost of Living

Approximate prices in USD (subject to change)

Sandwiches:	\$7.00
Salad bowl:	\$7.00
Hot meal:	\$10.00
Drinks:	\$2.00
Tickets	
Cinema:	\$8.00
Bus:	
One-way ticket	\$2.50
1 month pass (adult 16+ yrs)	\$72.00
1 month pass (under 16 yrs)	\$36.00

Sample Activities Schedule

Please note that this is a sample program and activities may change.

Week one

Monday	Welcome new students!
Tuesday	Volleyball game
Wednesday	Salsa dancing
Thursday	Trip to Sea World
Friday	Happy hour at Pacific Beach
Saturday	Visit the San Diego Zoo

Week two

Monday	Trip to Old Town
Tuesday	Shopping at an outlet center
Wednesday	Sushi in Pacific Beach
Thursday	Beach day: learning how to surf
Friday	Bonfire at La Jolla shores
Saturday	Weekend trip to Las Vegas

Transfer Information

Kaplan Transfers

Students should fly to the San Diego International airport (SAN).

If you have paid for the Transfer Service, a Greeter holding a Kaplan sign will meet you outside the Customs Hall exit (international flights), or at the Baggage Claim area (domestic flights).

You should look carefully for the greeter in both of these locations. If you do not see the greeter, you should go to the Information Desk and ask them to call the center at +1-858-551-5750. The Kaplan staff will then advise you on what to do.

If you have any flight changes, miss a connecting flight, or need help meeting the Transfer Service, you should call the center's emergency number at +1-858-551-5750 for help, and be prepared to tell them your name, center name (Kaplan San Diego) and location.

Independent Transfers

Express shuttle – approximately \$36 (+15% gratuity)

Taxi – approximately \$35-\$65 (+ 15% gratuity)



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San Diego at night