

# Kaplan International College Cambridge

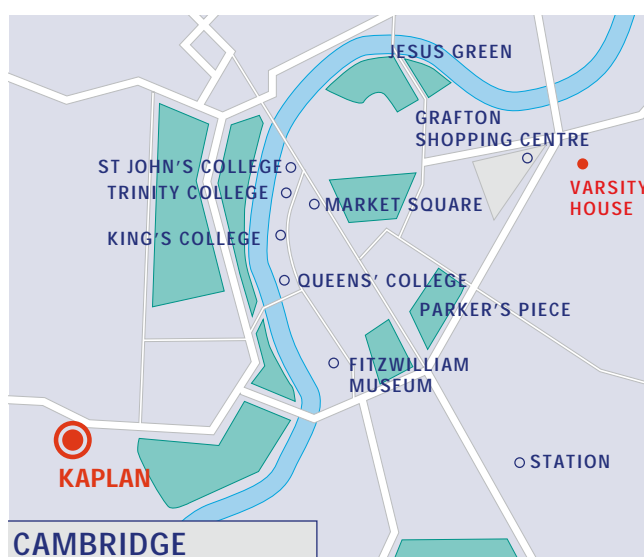
Welcome to Kaplan International College in Cambridge. The college offers a peaceful study environment with easy access to the attractions of central Cambridge. The college has long been a favourite destination of language students from all over the world.

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.

### Resource 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 a free wireless internet connection, so students with their own laptops can have internet access while at the college.

### Self Access Area

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 as 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 8.30am. 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:

- Completion of forms and collection of any outstanding payments
- 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 Structured Study
- A tour of the college and facilities
- A walking tour of Cambridge

You will also receive information about your class schedule, classroom number, study level, Specific Skills 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, and pen and paper for note-taking purposes. If you are hiring a bike or are eligible for our free bike promotion you'll need to pay a £40 deposit.

## College Timetable

Class times are subject to change and you should only use this timetable as an example of what type of structure to expect. Classes are from Monday to Friday and you could have morning-only classes or afternoon-only classes.

### Morning Timetable

8.15am - 9.45am	Class
9.45am - 10.00am	Break
10.00am - 11.30am	Class
12.00pm - 1.30pm	Elective

### Afternoon Timetable

12.00pm - 1.30pm	Elective
2.00pm - 3.30pm	Class
3.30pm - 3.45pm	Break
3.45pm - 5.15pm	Class

## 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			
All hot meals	£3.50	Buying lunch in town	
Canned drink	£0.70	Sandwich	£2.50-3.50
Coffee	£0.80	Coffee	£2.50
Hot chocolate	£0.80	Tea	£2.00
Tea	£0.50	Canned drink	£0.80-1.00
Fruit juice	£0.55	Bottled water	£1.00
Baguettes	£2.10-2.50	Lasagne	£6.50
Sandwiches	£1.80-2.00	Burger meal	£3.80
Salad bar	£1.95	Pizza slice	£5.00
Pizza slice	£1.00	Chicken salad	£4.00
Panini	£2.00	Jacket potato	£5.00
Pain au chocolat	£0.90		
Fruit salad	£1.90	Tickets/Rental	
		Cinema (student rate)	£5.30
		Bike hire (per week)	£6.00-18.00
		Bus pass (per week)	£11.50



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.kaplaninternational.com](http://www.kaplaninternational.com)

### Week one

Monday	Welcome tour of Cambridge - free
Tuesday	International student club night - free before 10.30pm
Wednesday	Theatre trip to London to see a musical - from £41
Thursday	Student pub evening with our teachers - free
Friday	Ten Pin Bowling - £8
Saturday	Trip to Windsor Castle - £32

### Week two

Monday	Salsa Dancing - £5
Tuesday	Cheap movie night at the cinema - £4.35
Wednesday	Sports afternoon (tennis, football, volleyball) - free
Thursday	Visit to the Fitzwilliam museum - free
Friday	BBQ in the garden - £6
Saturday	Trip to Stratford-on-Avon and Warwick Castle - £29

Weekend trips range from £99 to £155.

Full day excursions range from £18 to £32.

## 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. Transfer Service prices for 2011 are: Heathrow £125 (one way), Gatwick £160 (one way), Luton £85 (one way) and Stansted £70 (one way).

### 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](http://www.nationalexpress.com)

#### London Heathrow Airport to Cambridge

National Express Coach

Coach departs LHR Terminal 4 and LHR Central Bus Station approx. every 30 - 45 minutes. First coach is at 05.20 and last coach is at 23.40. Journey time: 2 - 3 hours. Tickets cost £29.20 one way.

#### London Gatwick Airport to Cambridge

National Express Coach

Coach departs from South or North Terminal Coach Station approx. every hour. First coach is at 02.00 and last coach is at 23.55. Journey time: 4 - 6 hours. Tickets cost £29.50 one way.

#### London Luton Airport to Cambridge

National Express Coach

Coach departs from Bus Station outside Terminal approx. every hour from 02.55 until 23.25. Journey time: 1.5 - 4 hours. Tickets cost £14.00 one way.

#### Stansted Airport to Cambridge

National Express Coach

First coach at 04:55, then a coach departs from the Coach Station approx. every hour from 07.00 until 23.00. Journey time: 50 minutes. Tickets cost £11.50 one way.

Train

Approx. every 30 minutes. Journey time: 30 minutes. Tickets cost £9.60 one way.

#### Central London to Cambridge

National Express Coach

Departs London Victoria Coach Station approx. every 30 minutes from 06.30 until 22.00. Journey time: 2 - 4 hrs. Tickets cost £12.00 return.

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. Tickets from Kings Cross cost £19.10 return (off peak) and tickets from Liverpool Street cost £9.60 return (off peak).



Picnic benches in the college garden