

Kaplan International

# New York - SoHo

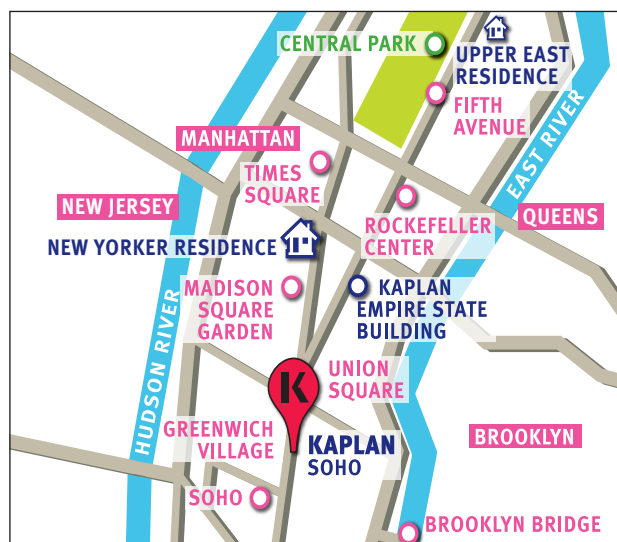


New York City offers a wealth of opportunities to its residents and visitors. With more than 80 world-class museums, 150 on and off-Broadway theaters, 30 concert halls and countless shops, restaurants and bars, it's no wonder New York is one of the world's most popular study-travel destinations. Whatever you like to do, you'll be amazed by the variety of activities you'll find in New York City.

Our Kaplan SoHo school is a wonderful, 3-story facility located in the heart of Manhattan, just a block north of New York's hip SoHo district. Enjoy its famous shopping boutiques, art galleries and the coolest restaurants and night clubs. We are minutes away from many of New York's most interesting sites: St. Mark's Place, the place to go for food, music and a cool pair of shades; Greenwich Village, home to New York University (NYU), the Stern School of Business, and Washington Square Park where you can meet all of the locals; Tribeca, home of New York's famous celebrities; and Little Italy and Chinatown.



New York skyline



Kaplan International New York SoHo  
623 Broadway  
New York, NY 10012  
USA

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## KAPLAN INTERNATIONAL NEW YORK - SOHO

### School Facilities

#### Classrooms

The Kaplan SoHo school has 15 classrooms for group classes. All of our classrooms are clean and spacious with plenty of room for our students to spread out. The classrooms are equipped with tablet desks that are ideal for group and pair work exercises. Each room has access to multimedia equipment and innovative SMART Boards®.

#### Multimedia and IT center

Enjoy our state-of-the-art computer lab, and free wireless internet access throughout the building.

#### Self-study Materials

The school offers a wide variety of lending materials as textbooks, dictionaries, specific-skill texts and reference materials for students to use for additional practice. We also have multimedia materials (CDs, DVDs and CD ROMs) for students to borrow and use during their K+ sessions.

#### Student Lounge

When you're hungry or looking to relax, the cozy student lounge offers couches, desks, vending machines for snacks, a coffee machine and microwave ovens to help prepare your lunch.

#### Cafeteria

There are a variety of restaurants from fast food and delis to fine dining located near the center.

#### Sports facilities

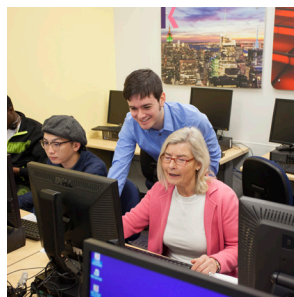
Sports such as running, soccer, baseball and kayaking are all available nearby.

#### Gym facilities

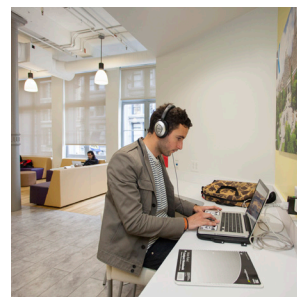
Students can join a local gym located right in SoHo and locations at or near their residence or homestay.

#### Activities/Social Program

While it does not take much imagination to keep yourself busy in New York during the time you're not studying, Kaplan provides a varied calendar of activities to fill your days. With workshops, parties, walking tours, museum trips, sporting events, Broadway shows and more, you'll discover parts of New York you didn't even know existed! These activities are led by a member of the Kaplan staff and will help you to meet new people and discover the city.



Computer lab



Student lounge

### Orientation Information

On the first day of your course please report to the Kaplan International New York SoHo school.

**Address:** 623 Broadway, New York, NY 10012

#### Orientation schedule:

- English courses: 8:30 am
- iGMAT/iGRE courses: 3:00 pm

Please plan to arrive 15 to 30 minutes early for check in prior the orientation. Your first day will be a Monday (or Tuesday if there is a national holiday on Monday).

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

- Breakfast and Speaking Test
- Welcome talk by the school director
- Information about the school and area
- Placement test to determine the level of the course you require
- F-1 Orientation
- Housing Orientation/Lunch
- Overview of Activities
- Academic Orientation and Book Distribution

#### Please bring the following with you:

- Passport
- I-94 (if applicable)
- I-20 form (Certificate of Eligibility), if required
- Your address in the USA
- Course Payment/Voucher, if available
- All your Kaplan documents and a pen and paper for notetaking purposes.
- Proof of Health Insurance

At the end of the day you will receive information about your class schedule, classroom number, study level, specific skills, and the hours you are to attend class. You will be assigned the most appropriate class for your level of English

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## Local Information

### Transport - buses and trains

Most New York City subway stops are located within a few blocks from the Kaplan SoHo school. New York City local subway stops include the green line (6) at Bleecker, the yellow line (N,R) at Prince Street, the orange line (B,D,F,M) at Broadway-Lafayette Street.

### Banks and Post Office

A Bank of America bank branch is located next door to the Kaplan SoHo school, with representatives making frequent visits to the center to offer students bank account information. Also, the United States Post Office has a convenient location at Cooper Station, 93 4th Avenue.

### Restaurants and cafés

Students will find a deliciously diverse mix of food around the area, both international and American, for all budgets.

### Department stores and supermarkets

Just a block or two away, Broadway is famously lined with shops and street fairs to satisfy all your shopping needs. You can also hop on the yellow line uptown to 34th Street and you'll find the famous Macy's Herald Square.

### Internet Cafe

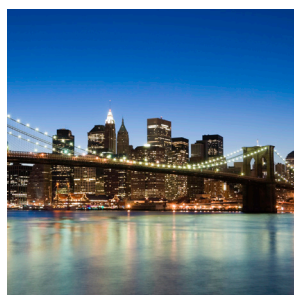
The Kaplan center offers students free wireless Internet throughout the facility.



Statue of Liberty



Central Park



Brooklyn Bridge at night



Yellow cabs

### Cost of Living

#### Approximate prices in USD (subject to change)

Sandwich	\$6-\$8
Lunch at a deli (take-away)	
or low-end restaurant/diner	\$12-\$15
Lunch at a moderate restaurant	\$25-\$30
Hamburger	\$6-7
Tea/Coffee	\$2
at a high-end coffee shop	\$4-\$5
Tickets:	
Movie	\$12
Bus/Subway	\$2.50 each way
Weekly Transit Pass	
(unlimited-ride MetroCard)	\$30
Monthly Transit Pass	
(unlimited-ride MetroCard)	\$112

### Sample Activities Schedule

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

#### Week one

Monday	Welcome new students!
Tuesday	Sing along to Broadway hits in Bryant Park
Wednesday	Visit the Statue of Liberty
Thursday	A night out on the town
Friday	Happy hour with Kaplan
Saturday	Boston weekend

#### Week two

Monday	Movie at the pier
Tuesday	Visit to the maritime museum
Wednesday	Volleyball match
Thursday	Disco night
Friday	3-day trip to Niagara Falls



## Transfer Information

### Kaplan Transfers

Kaplan can arrange a comfortable and stress-free transfer from any of the three area airports to anywhere in the city you'll be staying - whether you've chosen Kaplan housing or not.

Most students choose to fly in to John F. Kennedy International airport (JFK), but we will also arrange transfers from Fiorello La Guardia Airport (LGA) and Newark International Airport (EWR). Your driver will greet you holding a Kaplan sign. If you have an international flight, your driver will meet you outside the immigration area. If you have a domestic flight, your driver will meet you at your flight's baggage claim area. In the unlikely event that you arrive and do not see your driver, please call the Kaplan emergency number to speak with a transfer service member to assist you. All of the details of your transfer will be confirmed and your confirmation number will be provided to you after you've provided us with your flight details. We can also arrange a transfer back to the airport when you have to return home.

### Independent Transfers

If you choose not to use the Kaplan transfer service, the famous New York "Yellow Taxis" are always available. In the airport, you can simply follow the signs pointing you in the direction of "Ground Transportation" to an outdoor waiting area where you'll wait in line for the next available car. The cost for a taxi from JFK is a flat fee to anywhere in New York City, so don't be alarmed if the driver doesn't turn on the meter. From La Guardia and Newark airports, however, the driver should use the meter.

A shuttle and bus service is also available at each airport and specific information about these services is available at the ground transportation waiting area.

**Emergency Kaplan Number:**  
1-718-906-1045



Reception



Student lounge