



Kaplan International

Vancouver



Welcome to Kaplan International Vancouver! Between the Pacific Ocean and the North Shore mountains you'll find the stunning waterfront city of Vancouver, consistently ranked in the world's top three for its high quality of living. Just take a moment to stand and look at the sea and sky and then turn to wonder at the mountains that rise into view. Chosen host of the 2010 Winter Olympics, it is beautiful, clean and safe. Discover Vancouver's 7 beaches, stunning recreational parks and vibrant neighbourhoods such as Gastown and Granville Island.

Take advantage of the great climate to explore the city and the amazing countryside around it, and try out the local slopes at some of the world's finest ski resorts. You can be at the top of the nearest ski slope from the school in just 40 minutes!

Kaplan International Vancouver opened in 1988; the campus is located in the vibrant city centre, minutes by foot from the main public transit Skytrain stations - Burrard, Granville, Vancouver City Centre. All are just a block away from world class shopping on Robson Street and a 15-minute walk to the beaches and Stanley Park. You can rent bicycles and roller blades to go around the park, enjoy a game of volleyball and swim or sunbathe.



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Kaplan International Vancouver Suite 300 755 Burrard Street, Vancouver British Columbia V6Z 1X6

Kaplan International English schools in Canada are accredited members of Languages Canada and have designation as an International Student Program (ISP).

Kaplan International Vancouver is designated under BC EQA (Education Quality Assurance).





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School Facilities

Classrooms

Classrooms are fully equipped with quality learning materials, comfortable student seating and have access to multimedia equipment and innovative SMART Boards $^{\circledR}$.

Multimedia and IT Centre

There are computers with free internet access in the multimedia centres along with a vast collection of learning software for students' use. The multimedia centre is a great place to utilize technology to maximize your learning.

Library

The city library is a ten minute walk away from the school.

Student Lounge

A large space for you to sit and enjoy free Wi-Fi on your laptop or tablet, have a coffee with your new friends, or check out the e-bulletin boards for excursions and current events. There is also a Wii for you and your friends to play and large TVs to watch sports events! There are numerous food courts located near the school or you can bring your lunch and eat it in the student lounge.

Sports Facilities

There are many sports and fitness centres nearby. As well, students can join a sports club for dance, boxing and other sporting activities.

Activities/Social Program

From the school, students can easily explore all of Vancouver's attractions on foot or by skytrain/ bus. Kaplan International Vancouver arranges a full schedule of excursions and activities, including day and night skiing at nearby Whistler Mountain and Grouse Mountain in winter and hiking or white water rafting in summer.

Exam Centre

Kaplan International Vancouver is an official exam centre for both Cambridge and IELTS.



Multimedia Centre







Classroom with SMART Board $^{\circledR}$

Orientation Information

On the first day of your course please report to the Kaplan International Vancouver school.

Address: Suite 300, 755 Burrard Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6Z 1X6

Orientation schedule:

• English courses: 8:30 am

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:

- Welcome talk by the School Director
- Placement test and an interview with a teacher to determine your English level and the courses you require
- Information about your classes
- Information about courses
- Information about the school and surrounding area
- Overview of school activities and excursions
- Tour of the school facilities
- Completion of forms and collection of any outstanding payments

Please bring the following with you:

- Passport
- Proof of Health Insurance
- Pen and paper for note-taking purposes

Following the intake, you can check the mykaplan.ca website in the early evening to receive information about your class schedule, classroom number, study level and elective courses. You will be assigned the most appropriate class for your level of English. Your class times will be assigned after your test and you may be assigned morning classes or afternoon classes. This will depend on your level of English, your choice of classes and class availability.





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Local Information

Transport - Buses and Trains

The school is located in the city's downtown core, so there are many bus stops situated nearby. The skytrain station is 5 minutes away by foot.

Banks and Post Office

A bank and a post office are located a 3 minute walk away from the school.

Restaurants and Cafés

There are many restaurants, cafes and food halls located within 5 minutes of the school.

Department Stores and Supermarkets

Supermarkets, department stores, clothing shops, hair salons and major shops are located within a 5-minute walk of the school.

Internet Café

Internet cafes are located about 5-10 minutes away.

Places of Worship

There are numerous places of worship in the areas surrounding the school.







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Cost of Living

Approximate prices in CAD

Sandwiches: \$7.00 Salad bowl: \$7.00 Hot meal: \$8.00 Drinks: \$4.00 Tickets Cinema: \$12.00

Bus, Skytrain:

Book of 10 tickets:

Zone 1 \$21.00 Zone 2 \$31.50 Zone 3 \$42.00

1-month pass:

Zone 1 \$91.00 Zone 2 \$124.00 Zone 3 \$170.00

Sample Activities Schedule

Please note that this is a sample program and activities may change. See a current activities schedule at: www.mykaplan.ca

Week one

Monday City walking tour

Tuesday Trip to Vancouver Art Gallery

Wednesday Ice skating
Thursday Welcome dinner
Friday Go to a concert
Saturday Day trip to Victoria

Week two

Monday Movie night
Tuesday Dance lessons
Wednesday See a Musical
Thursday Watch a hockey

Thursday Watch a hockey game Friday Stanley Park Seawall

Saturday 3-4 day Rocky Mountains tour





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Transfer Information

Kaplan International Vancouver Transfers

Students should fly to Vancouver International Airport. If you have paid for the transfer service, a greeter holding a yellow Language Limousine company sign will meet you outside the customs area and drive you to your homestay or residence. If you have any flight changes, miss a connecting flight, or need help meeting the Transfer Service, you should call the transfer service number (604) 988-7639 or Text/ WhatsApp (778) 773-5466 for help, and be prepared to tell them your name, school name (Kaplan International Vancouver) and location. Students should only accept a transfer from a greeter with a yellow Language Limousine company sign.

Independent Transfers

The Aeroshuttle is a bus that costs approximately \$15.00 to get downtown. Taxi service costs approximately \$30 - 60 (add 10- 15% tip) to get to your homestay or downtown. The drive averages about 45 minutes depending on where you live. Canada Line skytrain is \$5.00, and will get you straight into downtown in less than 25 minutes.



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