



Kaplan International College

# Oxford



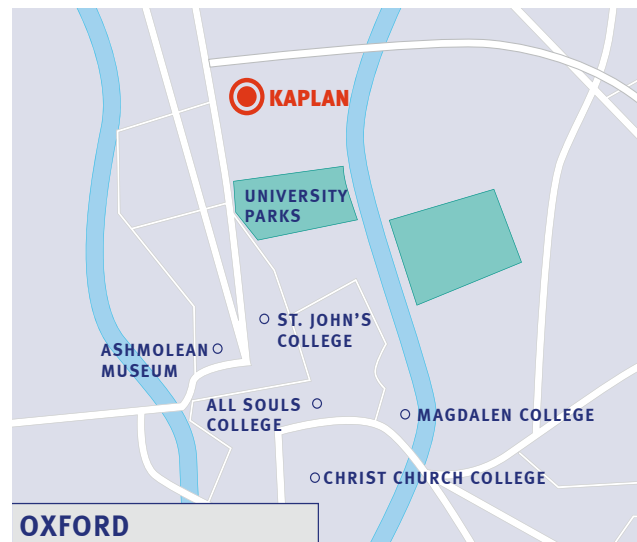
Kaplan International College Oxford invites students to study English on one of their many courses in the historical city of Oxford, home to the world's oldest English-speaking university.

Within easy reach of London by bus or train, Oxford's city centre bustles with interesting shops, lively markets and a wide range of galleries and museums. For relaxation there is lots to do including river punting, leisurely strolls through Christchurch Meadow, visiting Oxford colleges or enjoying the atmosphere of a traditional pub.

Kaplan International College Oxford is housed in an attractive Edwardian building with 3 floors and a modern, prize winning extension. The college is situated just 10 minutes north of Oxford's city centre and has a beautiful garden and courtyard at the back of the building: the perfect area for summer barbeques and sporting activities.



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## College Facilities

### Classrooms

There are 10 classrooms which are spacious, bright and airy, each seating up to 15 students. All rooms are complete with either tables and chairs or study chairs and a whiteboard. There are televisions, DVDs and projectors available for lessons.

### Resource Centre

The college has a multimedia room with 16 computers and a vast collection of learning software for students to use.

### Self Access Area

There is a library in the college with text books, self-study materials, study computers, magazines and a wide range of novels and short stories.

### Cafeteria

There is a campus café with seating for up to 60 students, making it a popular meeting point and a great place to eat. As well as food and drink, the café offers a free wireless hotspot and space for laptop users.

### Student lounge

There is a separate common room on the third floor where students can access computers for their email and the Internet, watch TV, meet and relax with their friends.

### Sports facilities

The activities coordinator can help with organising sports events.

### Gym facilities

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

### Activities/Social programme

Our full time social organiser helps ensure that students get as much out of their stay in Oxford as possible. We always ask our students to let us know what activities they are interested in to plan the programmes you want!



### Your first day

On the first day of your course you need to report to the college reception at 9.00am. Your first day will be a Monday unless there is a public 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, Director of Studies, Accommodation Manager and School Administrator
- 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 Oxford

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.

### 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

8.45 - 10.15	Class
10.15 - 10.30	Break
10.30 - 12.00	Class
12.00 - 12.45	Break
12.45 - 14.15	Elective

#### Afternoon timetable

12.45 - 14.15	Elective
14.15 - 14.30	Break
14.30 - 16.00	Class
16.00 - 16.15	Break
16.15 - 17.45	Class

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## Local Information

### Transport - buses and trains

Weekly passes can be bought for the local bus service which can save you time and money. Buses from the college go directly to the city centre and arrive approximately every 5 - 10 minutes.

### Banks and Post Office

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

### Restaurants and cafés

There are many different restaurants, cafés and pubs located near to the college.

### Department stores and supermarkets

There are supermarkets and shops located within walking distance of the college.

### Telephone and Internet Café

You can access the Internet and your email in the common room, but if you bring your laptop you can access the same service anywhere in the college with our free wireless Internet service. There is also a public telephone in the café. 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.

### Places of worship

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



The college garden area



Outside of the college cafe



Reception



Oxford view

### Cost of Living

#### Approximate prices in GBP

Sandwiches	£2.00
Pizza/pasta (snack)	£2.50
Tea	£1.00
Coffee	£1.50
Pub meal	£5.50
Bus Tickets	
1 week	£19.00
1 month	£50.00

### Sample Activities Schedule

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

#### Week one

Monday	Welcome tour of Oxford - free
Tuesday	Visit to Oxford Colleges - from £2
Wednesday	Theatre trip to London to see a musical - from £35
Thursday	Ice Skating Disco - £3.60 with a student card
Friday	Bowling - £5
Saturday	Trip to Windore, Eaton and Hampton Court Palace - £30

#### Week two

Monday	Cinema Evening - £6.10 with a student card
Tuesday	Sport Afternoon - from £3
Wednesday	Salsa Dancing - £3.50 with a student card
Thursday	Visit to Natural History Museum - free
Friday	BBQ in the garden - £6
Saturday	Trip to Cambridge - £30
Sunday	Trip to London - £25

Full day excursions range from £25 to £45.

Weekend trips range from £69 to £195.

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## 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 £115 (one way), Gatwick £150(one way), Luton £155 (one way) and Stansted £155 (one way).

### Independent Transfers

For students who prefer to organise their own transport from the airport, National Express runs coach services to Oxford 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 Oxford

##### 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: 1.50hrs. Tickets cost £21 one way.

#### London Gatwick Airport to Oxford

##### 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: 2.50 hours. Tickets cost £26 one way.

#### London Luton Airport to Oxford

##### National Express Coach

Coach departs from Bus Station outside Terminal approx. every hour from 02.55 until 23.25. Journey time: 1.5 - 2.5 hours. Tickets cost £16 one way.

#### Stansted Airport to Oxford

##### 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: 3 hours. Tickets cost £24 one way.

#### Central London to Oxford

##### Oxford Tube/City Link Coach

Departs London Victoria Coach Station approx. every 10 - 15 minutes from 06.30 until 02.00. Journey time: 2 hrs. Tickets cost £16 return.

##### Train

Trains to Oxford depart from London Paddington station every 30 minutes from 06.00 - 23.00. Journey time: 50 minutes. Tickets cost £20 single (off peak).



Bodleian Library