

Kaplan Aspect Vancouver

Welcome to Kaplan Aspect Vancouver. Kaplan Aspect Vancouver has a relaxed atmosphere, a comprehensive range of Kaplan Aspect courses on offer, first class learning facilities and a great location in central Vancouver.

Vancouver, with a population of 2 million, is described as Canada's most beautiful city and is considered one of the world's most liveable cities. Host to the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic winter games and surrounded by mountains and the ocean, Vancouver captures the hearts of all its visitors. Vancouver is a modern city, set in beautiful natural scenery with a moderate climate suited to an outdoor lifestyle. Whether you are interested in skiing, snow boarding, white water rafting, kayaking, whale watching, hiking, biking, skating, swimming, tours of tourist attractions, shopping and excellent dining, Vancouver has something for you.

Kaplan Aspect Vancouver opened in 1996 and is situated in the heart of Vancouver's dynamic downtown. Located on the ground level of a modern office building, the school is surrounded by shops, restaurants and Stanley Park - one of the world's greatest city parks. The school has 7 modern classrooms, a multimedia centre and a large outdoor terrace.



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School Facilities

Classrooms

There are 7 large classrooms with high ceilings and lots of natural light. Most classrooms are equipped with all-in-one chair and desktop, whiteboard and TV/VCR.

Multimedia and IT centre

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

Library

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

Cafeteria

There is a restaurant next door to the school where a variety of sandwiches and light meals are available and inexpensive. There is also a bank, post office, shops and numerous food courts located near to the school.

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 Programme

From the school, students can easily explore all of Vancouver's attractions on foot or by subway/ bus. Kaplan Aspect 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.



Kaplan Aspect students in the classroom



Multimedia room

Your first day

On the first day of your course you need to report to reception at the school at 8.30am. 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 School Director
- A Placement Test to determine the level of the course you require
- Information about your classes
- Information about the academic programmes
- Information about the school and area
- An overview of activities and excursions
- An overview of the housing programme
- A tour of the school, including Kaplan Aspect facilities
- Completion of forms and collection of any outstanding payments

Please bring the following with you:

- Passport
- Proof of Health Insurance
- CAD 50 book deposit

You will receive information about your class schedule, classroom number and study level. You will be assigned the most appropriate class for your level of English. You will need to bring all your Kaplan Aspect documents and pen and paper for note-taking purposes.

Local Information

Transport - buses and trains

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

Banks and Post Office

A bank is located 3 minutes by foot away from the school. The nearest Post Office is 5 minutes away by foot.

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 minutes walk of the school.

Telephone and Internet Café

There are three telephones available for students use within the building. An internet Cafe is located about 10 minutes away.

Church / Mosque

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



Teacher and students



Kaplan Aspect classroom



Vancouver view



Students' activities

Cost of Living

Approximate prices in CAD

Sandwiches:	\$5.00	1-month pass:	
Salad bowl:	\$5.00	Zone 1	\$60.00
Hot meal:	\$6.00	Zone 2	\$95.00
Drinks:	\$2.00	Zone 3	\$130.00

Tickets	
Cinema:	\$13.00

Transport (including buses, sky train and Seabus):

Book of 10 tickets:	
Zone 1	\$18.00
Zone 2	\$27.00
Zone 3	\$36.00

Sample Activities Schedule

Please note that this is a sample programme and activities may change. See a current activities schedule at: www.kaplanaspect.com

Week one

Monday	Welcome new students!
Tuesday	See Vancouver Canucks hockey
Wednesday	Day at the Spanish Banks beach
Thursday	Boxing Class
Friday	Evening boat cruise
Saturday	Weekend excursion to Tofino for sightseeing

Week two

Monday	Bicycle tour of Stanley Park
Tuesday	Salsa lessons
Wednesday	Japanese dance performance
Thursday	Grouse Mountain experience
Friday	Explore the streets and beaches of White Rock
Saturday	Trip to Victoria or Whistler

The Team

Kaplan Aspect Vancouver



School Director:
Valerie Richmond
Valerie is responsible for the overall running of the school, managing personnel, finances and questions about general Kaplan Aspect policy, refunds and payments.



Student Services Coordinator:
Nadine Warnecke
Nadine is responsible for student services. She can help with medical insurance, visa questions, activity payments and general information.



Academic Director:
Shmuel Marmorstein
Shmuel supervises the teachers and the academic programme. Ask him about academic policy, course changes, class schedules, UPS and internships.



Housing Coordinator:
Estrella Garcia
Estrella takes care of the housing programme. She is the one to talk to about what is happening in your host family, changing your housing, moving out of your homestay or other accommodation options.

Course Information

Courses and Services

- Vacation English
- General English
- Intensive English
- TOEFL iBT and Academic English
- IELTS Dedicated/ Supplementary
- iGMAT/iGRE
- General Academic Year
- Intensive Academic Year
- General Academic Semester
- Intensive Academic Semester
- University Placement
- Internship

Sample Timetables

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 will have morning classes 2 or 3 days per week and afternoon classes 2 or 3 days per week.

Morning timetable		Afternoon timetable	
8.30am - 10am:	Class	14.40pm - 16.10pm:	Class
10am - 10.15am:	Break	16.10pm - 16.20pm:	Break
10.15am - 11.45am:	Class	16.20pm - 17.50pm:	Class

Transfer Information

Kaplan Aspect transfers

Students should fly to Vancouver International Airport. If the student has paid for the Transfer Service, a Greeter holding a Kaplan Aspect sign will meet them outside customs to help with transportation, or to drive them to their homestay.

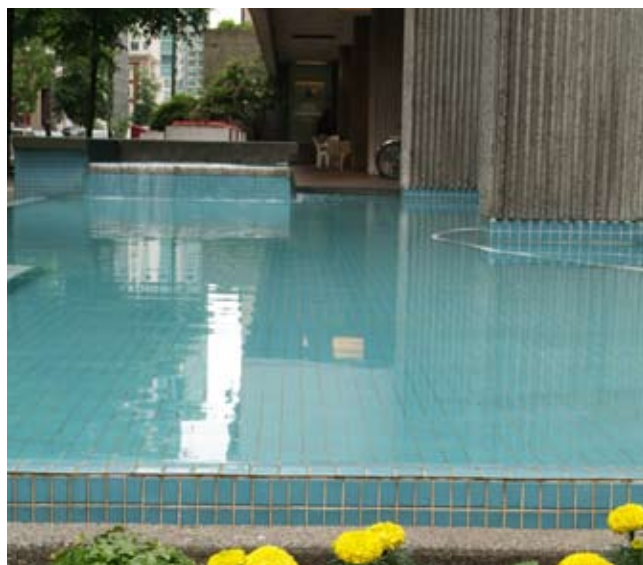
If the student has any flight changes, misses a connecting flight, or needs help meeting the Transfer Service, they should call the school's emergency number at +1 604 602 9818 for help, and be prepared to tell them their name, school name (Kaplan Aspect Vancouver) and location.

Students should only accept a transfer from a Greeter with an official Kaplan Aspect emblem..

Independent Transfers

The Airporter is a bus that costs approximately \$15.00 to get downtown.

Taxi services costs approximately \$30 - 60 (+ 10-15% gratuity) to get to your home stay or downtown. The drive averages about 45 minutes.



Kaplan Aspect school outdoor area