

Kaplan International

# Los Angeles Westwood



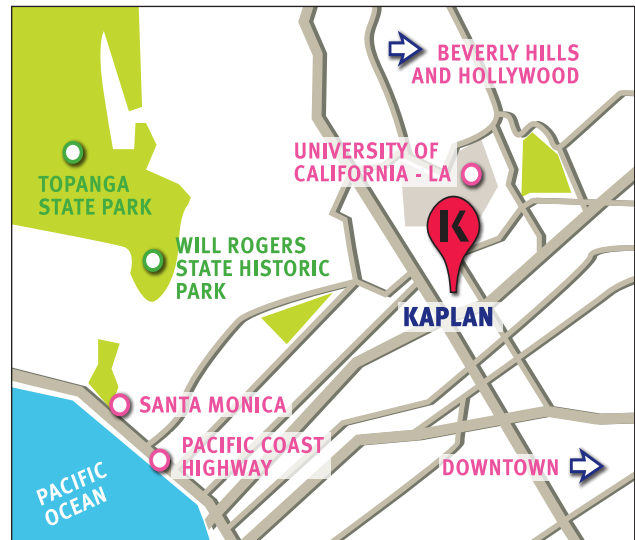
The Kaplan International Los Angeles Westwood school provides modern facilities, a lounge for students to relax in, a computer lab and a friendly staff that is ready to assist you.

Westwood is a university district with lots of shops, movie theaters, restaurants, and museums, and is centrally located with easy access to Rodeo Drive in Beverly Hills, the exciting beaches of Santa Monica and Venice, and the world renowned campus of University of California Los Angeles (UCLA).

We encourage you to take full advantage of our excellent educational quality programs and the overall experience of studying and living in the United States. Many of the Westwood students use our University Placement Services and transfer to Santa Monica College, which has a high transfer rate to schools like UCLA and the University of Southern California (USC).



Kaplan International Los Angeles Westwood



Kaplan International Los Angeles Westwood  
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USA

Kaplan International in the USA are accredited by the Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training.

Kaplan International is a member of TESOL (Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages) and NAFSA (Association for International Educators).



## School Facilities

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Kaplan International Westwood has several bright classrooms, inviting open spaces and a computer lab and student lounge.

### Classrooms

Kaplan International Los Angeles Westwood features 22 classrooms. Several rooms are equipped with multimedia equipment and SMART Boards®.

### Multimedia and IT center

Kaplan International Los Angeles Westwood has a computer lab with 18 computers. TOEFL®/GRE®/GMAT® students have access to a study room with multimedia equipment. The school also provides free wireless Internet service for laptop users.

### Library

A public library is located within walking distance from the Kaplan school.

### Student Lounge

Kaplan International Los Angeles Westwood has a student lounge with free wireless Internet. The student lounge is open during business hours.

### Meals

There are many fast food, mid-range and fine dining establishments surrounding the school.

### Gym facilities

There are two popular local gyms close to the school. Please see the activities coordinator for details.

### Activities/Social Program

The Kaplan staff organizes a full program of weekly activities for the school and also offers weekend trips to Disneyland, Universal Studios, Las Vegas, San Francisco, Six Flags Amusement Park and Camarillo Outlet Shopping. Also there are seasonal sporting events to the local baseball and basketball teams-the Dodgers and the Lakers.



Classroom



Student lounge

## Orientation Information

On the first day of your course please report to the Kaplan International Los Angeles Westwood school.

**Address:** 1133 Westwood Blvd. Suite 201, Los Angeles, CA 90024

### Orientation schedule:

- English courses: 8:30 am
- iGMAT/iGRE courses: 1:00 pm

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:

- Collect documents
- Welcome New Students, Meet the English Programs Staff, Meet your New Classmates, Your Class Schedule
- Tour of the Kaplan school, Tour of the Neighborhood
- Orientation Folders, Enrollment Agreements, Student Visa Information
- Placement Tests

### Please bring the following with you:

- Your I-20 (Certificate of Eligibility) and student Visa (F-1)
- Your passport
- I-94 (if applicable)
- Your address in the USA
- Course Payment/Voucher, if available
- All Kaplan documents and a pen and paper for note-taking purposes.
- Proof of Health Insurance

The following day before class starts, 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

Westwood is a pedestrian district with easy access to local buses.

### Banks and Post Office

There are six major banks located minutes from the school. There are two post offices nearby - one located across the street and another located just 5 minutes from the school.

### Restaurants and cafes

Since Westwood is an entertainment and university district there is a variety of restaurants from fast food to fine dining. There are many affordable places to eat as well. There are several major coffee shops in the area.

### Department stores and supermarkets

There are two major supermarkets that are walking distance from the school. There are many boutiques within Westwood and there are major shopping malls with department stores included located 15 minutes by bus from the school.

### Telephone and Internet Cafe

Telephone cards, phone booths and internet access is available in the Westwood Village.



California coastline



Santa Monica Pier



Westwood courtyard



Hollywood

### Cost of Living

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

|                    |                             |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Sandwich           | \$6.00                      |
| Lunch              | \$6.50                      |
| Hamburger          | \$5.00                      |
| Meal in restaurant | \$10.00                     |
| Tea/Coffee         | \$2.50                      |
| Tickets:           |                             |
| Movie              | \$12.00                     |
| Bus                | \$1.50                      |
| Monthly metro pass | \$75.00                     |
| Monthly metro pass | \$36.00 (3+ month students) |

### Sample Activities Schedule

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

#### Week one

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| Monday:    | Welcome new students                                 |
| Tuesday:   | Hollywood tour                                       |
| Wednesday: | Happy hour   |
| Thursday:  | Movie Nights at local theaters                       |
| Friday:    | Weekend trips to Las Vegas, San Francisco, San Diego |

#### Week two

|            |  |
|------------|--|
| Monday:    | Beach volleyball                       |
| Tuesday:   | Movie Night In                         |
| Wednesday: | Dining Club                            |
| Thursday:  | Breakfast Day                          |
| Friday:    | Weekend trips to Disneyland, Sea World |

## Transfer Information

### Kaplan Transfers

If you have paid for our transfer service, a greeter will be waiting for you in one of two places at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX):

- 1) Outside of the Customs area exit: the greeter will wait here if you went through customs at LAX Airport.
- 2) Outside of the Baggage Claim area: The greeter will wait here if you already went through Customs in another US city before arriving on a connecting flight to Los Angeles International Airport (LAX).

Please look for a greeter holding a Kaplan sign outside of Customs or the Baggage Claim area.

You do not need to pay but you can tip the driver if you would like.

If your flight schedule has changed, if you missed your connecting flight, if you need help meeting the transfer service, or if you have any other emergency, please contact the school's emergency number:

+1 (916) 962-6468

### Independent Transfers

If you have not paid for the transfer service, you should take a taxi. A taxi to the school will cost approximately \$60 USD plus a tip for the driver (approximately 15% of the total fare).



Student Lounge



Los Angeles at night