

Kaplan International

# Washington, DC



As the capital of the United States, Washington, DC is a beautiful city with all of the cultural advantages of a major metropolitan area. We have excellent World Class theaters such as the Kennedy Center, famous iconic monuments such as the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument, the Smithsonian Museums, and many prestigious universities such as Georgetown University, American University, and George Washington University. International students feel quite at home in Washington's multicultural neighborhoods. We have a great mix of cultures and backgrounds in the people who come to this area to study, work and travel.

The Washington, DC Kaplan International school offers first-class modern facilities with an extensive library of self-study material to be used at the center. The self-study material includes access to the school's dedicated English computer lab with language software, internet and WiFi, and a wide variety of practice language activities which can be developed into individual study plans.



Kaplan students exploring Washington D.C.



Kaplan International Washington, DC  
1100 G Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20005  
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 NAESA (Association for International Educators).



## KAPLAN INTERNATIONAL WASHINGTON, DC

# School Facilities

### Classrooms

The Washington DC Kaplan International school has 16 classrooms for group classes and 2 conference rooms. All classrooms are clean and spacious with plenty of room for students to spread out. Each classroom has access to multimedia equipment and innovative SMART Boards®.

### Multimedia and IT Center

There is a dedicated English lab for student use in the Kaplan International school. There is also free Internet and WiFi access for international students.

### Library

Our lending library has a wide variety of 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+ tools/K+ clubs hours.

### Student Lounge

Microwaves, vending machines and tables are available in the student lounge, which is open during regular center hours.

### Cafeteria

Students have access to microwaves and vending machines in the student lounge and there are seating areas for eating.

### Sports facilities

Washington Sports Club - 1835 Connecticut Avenue, NW  
Francis Park - 24th and N Streets, NW (basketball courts, volleyball, and an outdoor swimming pool)  
Stead Park - 1625 P Street, NW (basketball courts)  
Dunbar Pool - 1301 New Jersey Avenue, NW (outdoor swimming pool)

### Gym facilities

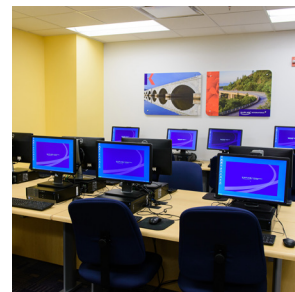
Balance Gym - 1111 14th St NW, Washington, DC 20005  
Cross Fit Metro Center - 1401 New York Ave NW, Washington, DC 20005

### Activities/Social Program

Kaplan Washington, DC provides a lively calendar of activities to fill your days. With workshops, parties, walking tours, museum trips, sporting events, and more, you'll discover the best of Washington DC. These activities are led by a member of the Kaplan staff and will help you to meet new people and discover the city.



Kaplan classroom



Computer lab

## Orientation Information

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

**Address:** 1100 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005

### Orientation schedule:

- English courses: 9:00 am
- iGMAT/iGRE courses: 12:00 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:

- Welcome and Introduction
- Meet the English Programs Staff and New Classmates, Collect Documents
- English Placement Exam
- Break
- New Student Orientation, Overview of Washington, DC & The Kaplan school, Academic Orientation, F-1 Student Orientation, Housing Orientation

### Please bring the following with you:

- Your passport
- I-94 (if applicable)
- Passport photo for student ID
- Your I-20 (Certificate of Eligibility) or student (F-1) Visa, if required
- Your address in the USA
- Course Payment/Voucher, if available
- USD \$40 book deposit (cash)
- Payment for outstanding balances
- All your Kaplan documents and a pen and paper for note-taking 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

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority offers transportation services by bus and rapid transit rail throughout the District of Columbia, Virginia and Maryland. Typical fares range from \$1.75 to \$5.75 for a one-way pass. The DC school is serviced by all metro lines at Metro Center stop, which is conveniently located across the street from the school.

### Banks and Post Office

Several regional and international banks are conveniently located within walking distance of the center.

### Restaurants and cafés

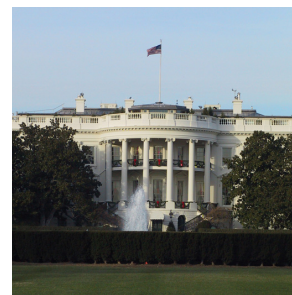
There are numerous independent and national cafes and restaurants located around the center.

### Department stores and supermarkets

The local Department Store is Macy's with locations at Metro Center and Pentagon City. Safeway, Giant, Trader Joe's, and Whole Foods grocery stores all have multiple supermarket locations in the District of Columbia.



Washington Monument



White House



Capitol Building



Smithsonian

### Cost of Living

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

Sandwich	\$7
Lunch	\$10
Meal in a restaurant	\$25
Tea/Coffee	\$1.75
Movie ticket	\$10
Public Transport (Bicycle)	
Capital Bikeshare / 24-hour pass	\$7
Capital Bikeshare / 3-day pass	\$15
Capital Bikeshare / monthly pass	\$25

### Sample Activities Schedule

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

#### Week one

Monday	Welcome new students!
Tuesday	Shopping
Wednesday	Movie night
Thursday	Conversation Club
Friday	Major league baseball games

#### Week two

Monday	Shopping
Tuesday	Visit to coffee house
Wednesday	Visit to local restaurant
Thursday	Visit to theater
Friday	Museum Tour
Saturday	Festivals and celebrations at the National Mall



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## Transfer Information

### Kaplan Transfers

Depending on your airport and flight, your driver will pick you up either in front of the row of telephones in the International Arrivals Terminal or at Baggage Claim. A confirmation of the meeting point, drop-off location and driver will be e-mailed to you before arrival. Your driver will be holding a Kaplan sign.

### Independent Transfers

There are three airports that service the Metro Washington, DC area Dulles, National and BWI. Rates vary depending on distance to the drop-off location for most car and shuttle services.

Washington Flyer Taxi offers rates between \$51 and \$58 one-way to/from Dulles International Airport. Call 1-703-661-6655 to book a transfer.

Super Shuttle offers service between all three airports and points throughout the Washington, DC area. Rates are typically cheaper than taxis but the trip usually takes longer as it is a ride share service. Book online at [www.supershuttle.com](http://www.supershuttle.com)

Washington Flyer Coach Service offers transfer from Dulles to the West Falls Church Metro Stop. This is a good option for those whose final destination is located close to a Metro stop. One-way fares are \$9. Visit [www.washfly.com](http://www.washfly.com) for more information.

You can take a MARC train from BWI to Washington DC's Union Station for \$7. Visit [www.mtarmaryland.com](http://www.mtarmaryland.com) for more information.

Reagan National Airport is conveniently connected to Washington, DC by Metro.



Student lounge



Kaplan classroom