

Kaplan Aspect Sydney

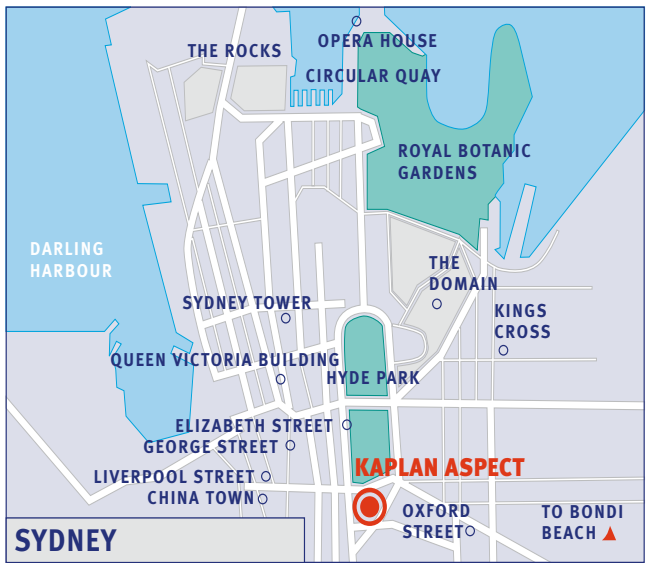
Welcome to Kaplan Aspect Sydney. This superior state-of-the-art school features a large library with self-access multimedia facilities, multiple computer rooms with free internet access, large sun lit and air-conditioned classrooms, an elevator and a student café with a balcony.

The modern, architecturally designed, art deco school building is located in the centre of the city on the south side near downtown shops and Chinatown. The 6-storey building has a beautifully designed interior and exterior.

For the perfect mix of stunning surroundings, offering beach life, a thriving cultural scene and the excitement of a vibrant metropolis - Sydney is the city to be in. At the end of a day of classes, sit back and drink a cappuccino at a harbour front café and when the weekend arrives, head for Bondi where 'Sydneysiders' soak up the sun and enjoy world-class surfing.



Kaplan Aspect Sydney



Kaplan Aspect Sydney
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Kaplan Aspect schools in Australia are accredited by the National ELT Accreditation Scheme.



Kaplan Aspect Sydney is a member of English Australia.



School Facilities

Classrooms

There are 24 large and comfortable classrooms in total. All of the classrooms are fitted with desks, chairs and a white board. CD players, TV/VCR's and overhead projectors are available for lessons.

Study centre / library

The school has a total of 60 computers for student use. All of the computers have software for guided study as well as free, high speed internet access and also wireless capability so students can use their own computers anywhere in the building.

Student café

Level 4 of the building holds the main common area. The balcony café sells coffee, light meals and snacks. It seats up to 70 students. There are additional small seating areas on each floor of the building.

Sports facilities

The activities co-ordinator can help with organising sports events in nearby public parks. Students can join local gyms for indoor sports and fitness training. The closest gym to the school is a short walk away.

Social Programme

Kaplan Aspect's activities co-ordinator produces a monthly calendar of exciting social activities around Sydney and at places of interest in New South Wales.



Student café



Study centre / library

Your first day

On the first day of your course you need to report to reception at Kaplan Aspect Sydney at 8.30am if you are a language student and 1:50pm if you are enrolling on a Vocational course. Your first day will be a Monday unless there is a designated holiday on the Monday - in which case your first day will be on the Tuesday.

Your course will begin with an all-day introduction which will include:

- Registration and creation of a student ID card
- Receive a student handbook
- Introduction to the school
- A placement test to determine your English level
- Information about the school and school activities
- A walk around Sydney to show you the local amenities
- Receive a timetable showing your schedule, classroom and teachers
- A tour of the school and Study Centre
- Meet the school staff and create your Internet account.

Language students will be assigned to the most appropriate class for their level of English. On the first day, all students will need to bring all their Kaplan Aspect documents, passport, 2 passport-sized photos, an English dictionary, apartment bond if necessary, AUD 70 for the book deposit and a pen and paper for note-taking purposes.

Local Information

Transport - buses and trains

Weekly passes can be purchased which can save you time and money. The school is close to numerous bus stops and train stations.

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 (regular post) or yellow (express post) and are located on many street corners.

Restaurants and cafés

There are many different restaurants and cafes located near the school.

Department stores and supermarkets

There are supermarkets and shops located within walking distance of the school. Supermarket meals are often an economical lunch option.

Telephone and Internet

You can access internet and e-mail from the computer rooms. There is a public telephone approximately 2 minutes' walk from the school. Students are advised to purchase a phone card for long distance calls and to call on weekends and evenings as call rates are cheaper then.

Places of worship

There are places of worship of all religions and faiths close to the school. You can get more information about local religious institutions from the Kaplan Aspect staff at reception.

Cost of Living

Approximate prices in AUD

Sandwiches:	AUD 6.00 - 9.00
Pizza/Pasta:	AUD 7.00 - 10.00
Coffee:	AUD 2.00 - 3.50
Tea:	AUD 2.00
Pub meal:	AUD 14.00
Tickets	
Bus:	
One-way in city	AUD 1.70
1-week bus pass	AUD 30.00 - 37.00
10 rides only	AUD 13.00 - 29.60
Travel pass (bus, train ferry):	
1-week pass:	AUD 33.00 - 41.00



Student café



Harbour Bridge



Opera House



Kaplan Aspect school

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	Tour of Sydney
Wednesday	Harbour side walk
Thursday	Opera House tour
Friday	Trip to Sydney Aquarium
Saturday	Surf weekend at Seal Rocks

Week two

Monday	Imax movie night
Tuesday	Learn to throw a boomerang
Wednesday	Trip to Taronga Zoo and Palm Beach
Thursday	BBQ at the Royal National Park
Friday	Interschool football league
Saturday	Trip to the Blue Mountains and wild kangaroos

The Team

Kaplan Aspect Sydney



Principal: Sue Bakir
Sue is the principal of the English and Vocational departments that make up Kaplan Aspect Sydney. You can see Sue in her office any time if you have questions about any of our English or Vocational courses, our school services or if you would like general information on the Australian culture and living in Sydney.



Student Services Manager: Nina Ippolito
Nina manages an experienced team of staff who provide accommodation, activities, counselling and general pastoral care for all students at the school. You will meet Nina on your first day and you should go to see her if you have any concerns or questions with your cultural experience while attending your school.



Academic Director, English Department: Andrew Shaw
Andrew looks after all students and teachers in the English Department at Kaplan Aspect Sydney. He is responsible for maintaining the excellent standard of all Kaplan Aspect courses.



Academic Director, Vocational Department: Vincent Creighton
Vincent is responsible for overseeing the day to day running of the Vocational Department and ensuring the overall quality of the academic programme.



Accommodation Coordinator: Jonathan Moeller
Jonathan manages Kaplan Aspect Sydney's accommodation placements, assists with student accommodation enquiries and provides welfare counselling to students. You will meet Jonathan on your first day at the school.

Course Information

Courses and Services

- Vacation English
- Intensive English (including beginners)
- English for Business
- English for Professionals
- English for Academic Purposes
- IELTS Preparation (Intensive Dedicated)
- Cambridge Exam Preparation (Intensive
- Dedicated FCE, CAE and CPE)
- Intensive Academic Year and Semester
- University Placement
- Internships
- OPUS Paid Work and Study
- Business and Retail Management Vocational Programmes

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.

Monday - Friday

8.30am - 10am:	Class
10am - 10.15am:	Break
10.15am - 11.45am:	Class

Monday - Wednesday

11.45am - 12.30pm:	Lunch
12.30pm - 2pm:	Elective
2pm - 2.15pm:	Break
2.15pm - 3.45pm:	Elective

Transfer Information

Kaplan Aspect transfers

Students should book their flights according to the starting date of their specific programme. Students must arrive on the Sunday prior to their course start date. Students must provide their agent or Kaplan Aspect with exact flight details - airline, flight number, arrival date and time, place of origin. Students must provide Kaplan Aspect school with their flight details no later than two weeks before their arrival.

A Kaplan Aspect representative meets our students at the airport and transports them directly to their accommodation. After exiting from Australian customs proceed to the arrivals area and look out for the Kaplan Aspect Representative standing near the hire car information desks at the back of the arrivals hall. The Kaplan Aspect Representative will hold a sign with the name of the student and the Kaplan Aspect logo. If there are any problems locating the Kaplan Aspect Representative please call the phone number of the Kaplan Aspect Transfer Service provided on the confirmation letter and proceed to McDonalds for a specific meeting point. If necessary you can also call the Kaplan Aspect Emergency phone number that is also located on the confirmation letter. Tel.: 0402833313 (Transfer Company) or 0425320801 (school Emergency Mobile)

Independent Transfers

Taxi:

There is a taxi rank outside the international flights terminal building. A taxi journey to the host family will cost approximately AUD35-AUD45

Bus:

Buses run from outside each terminal every half hour. Students can pay the bus driver directly. The bus will take the student to Kings Cross (approximately 20 minutes). From Kings Cross, the student will then have to either take a taxi to their accommodation address, or take the train to Central train station (5 minutes). Homestay addresses are located no more than 50 minutes by bus away from the school.

Train:

\$11 one way will take the student from Domestic or International Airport to Circular Quay, Town Hall or Central Station, where student can catch a connecting bus, train or ferry. Journey time is approximately 20 minutes.



The student café balcony