

Kaplan Aspect Christchurch

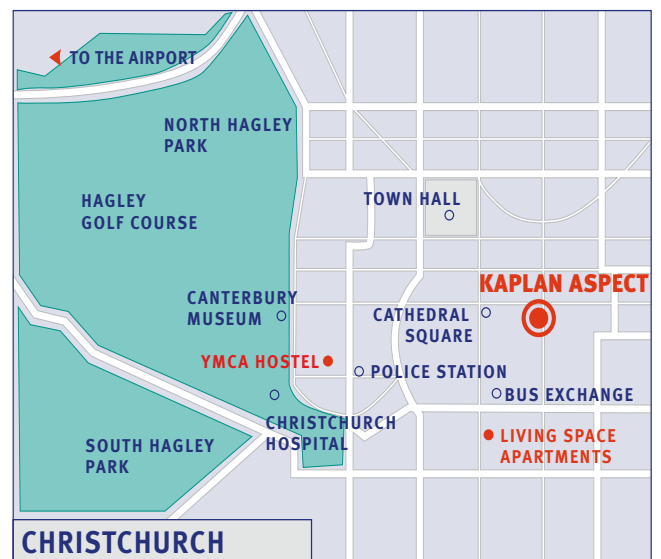
Welcome to Kaplan Aspect Christchurch. The school is located in a beautiful 7-storey, art deco building which also houses the Design and Arts College of New Zealand as well as the Kaplan Aspect language school. Established in 1979, Kaplan Aspect is the oldest language school in Christchurch and enjoys an excellent reputation for providing a high quality of tuition and student care.

Christchurch is known as the ‘Garden City’ as there are many beautiful gardens and parks. The city also boasts lovely architecture and historic buildings. There are many restaurants, nightclubs and bars for an exciting nightlife and Christchurch often holds festivals and events, especially in the summertime, that students can enjoy.

Kaplan Aspect Christchurch is ideally situated in the city centre next to Cathedral Square and within a moment’s walk from cafes, bars, shops, libraries and central bus routes.



Kaplan Aspect Christchurch



Kaplan Aspect Christchurch
116 Worcester Street
Christchurch 1
New Zealand



Kaplan Aspect in New Zealand are fully accredited by NZQA. Kaplan Aspect New Zealand is a member of English NZ.

School Facilities

Classrooms

There are 14 good sized classrooms with a lot of natural light and spectacular views. All of the classrooms are fitted with desks, chairs and a whiteboard. There are also CD and cassette players, TV/VCRs and overhead projectors available for lessons.

Multimedia and IT centre

The college has a computer room with 16 computers. Students are welcome to use these computers for internet and e-mail as well as for self-study. Kaplan Aspect Christchurch offers free wireless internet access.

Library

Students have access to a study room if they are looking for a quiet place for self-study or use one of the 8 available computers for research or study. There is a public library a 5-minute walk from the college which students can use.

Student Lounge

There is a student common room with vending machines selling cold snacks and drinks. There are microwaves for students to use if they need to heat food up. The building also has a roof-top café with great views of the city.

Sports facilities

The activities coordinator can help with organising sports events.

Gym facilities

Students can join the Centennial Leisure Centre or the Les Mills Gym, both located close to the school, for indoor sports and fitness training. The centre has excellent facilities including a fitness centre, swimming pools, a sauna, spa, and steam room.



Kaplan Aspect teacher and students



Multimedia room

Your first day

On the first day of your course you need to report to reception at Kaplan Aspect Christchurch at 8.45 am. 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:

- A welcome talk by the Principal or Director of Studies
- A Placement Test to determine your English level
- Information about your classes
- Information about the school and city
- An overview of college activities and excursions
- A tour of the college, including Kaplan Aspect facilities
- A short walking tour of the city and school surroundings
- Completion of forms and collection of any outstanding payments

You will also receive information about your class schedule, classroom number, study level and elective courses. You will be assigned to the most appropriate class for your level of English.

Bring the following items with you on your first day:

- Your passport
- Insurance card
- Kaplan Aspect documents
- One passport-sized photo
- Pen and paper for note-taking purposes

Local Information

Transport - buses and trains

Metrocards can be purchased for the local bus service. The cards work on a pre-paid system and can save you time and money.

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 are located on many street corners.

Restaurants and cafés

There are many different restaurants and cafes located near to the college. There are also bakeries where students purchase delicious ready-made sandwiches.

Department stores and supermarkets

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

Telephone and Internet Café

You can access internet and e-mail from the college's computers. There are public telephones available in the school building. 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.

Church / Mosque

There are churches of all religions and faiths close to the college. The student services coordinator has a list of churches, synagogues, mosques and temples in Christchurch.

Cost of Living

Living costs for food, transport and entertainment are approximately 100-200 NZD per week. Course-related costs are approximately 8 NZD per week for stationery.

Approximate prices in NZD

Sandwich	\$3-5.00
Pizza / Pasta	\$7.00
Coffee	\$3.50
Tea	\$3.00
Pub meal	\$8.00
Beer	\$5.00
Wine	\$6.00

Bus Tickets

\$2.50 (2 hours of travel)
\$3.80 (1 day)
\$19.00 (1 week)



Students in the classroom



The roof-top café



Punting on the Avon River



Christchurch Cathedral Square

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

Tuesday	Afternoon of golf
Wednesday	Visit to the Art Gallery
Friday	Movie night
Saturday	Whale watching at Kaikoura

Week two

Monday	Canoeing
Tuesday	Visit to Canterbury Museum
Wednesday	Visit to the Antarctic Centre
Friday	Rock climbing at the Climbing Centre
Saturday	Learn to surf

The Team

Kaplan Aspect Christchurch



Principal:
Julie Delaney

Julie is responsible for the management of teaching and administrative staff. If you have any serious problems during your time at Kaplan Aspect Christchurch, please go and talk to Julie.



Student Services: Yukari Kobayashi

Yukari works at reception and will meet you on your first day at orientation. She is available to assist you with a wide range of queries including where to buy a bus pass, how to make an insurance claim and advising on a wide range of activities available. If she can't answer your question she will direct you to the right person.



Director of Studies:
Sally Browning

Sally is responsible for the coordination of courses. If you have a query about your class or would like to get more information about a Kaplan Aspect course, ask Sally.



Homestay Coordinator:
Maree Lee

If you have any questions regarding your accommodation contact Maree and she will be happy to help you.



OPUS and Internships Coordinator:
Currie Moore

Currie is responsible for organising and coordinating work placements for students on the OPUS and Internship programmes. She is the best person to speak to if you have any questions relating to your employment.

Course Information

Courses and Services

- Vacation English
- Intensive English (including beginners)
- English for Business
- TOEIC Preparation
- English for 50+
- IELTS Preparation (Supplementary)
- Cambridge Exam Preparation (Intensive Dedicated FCE, CAE, CPE)
- Intensive Academic Year
- Intensive Academic Semester
- University Placement
- Internship
- OPUS Paid Work and Study
- Certificates and Diplomas in Design and Arts
- Teacher Training

Sample Timetables

This is an example of an A1 peak timetable. 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

Friday

12.30pm - 2pm: Class

Monday - Tuesday

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

Transfer Information

Transfer information

We request that students book their flights according to the starting date of their specific programme. Students may arrange their own transportation from the airport to school, or take advantage of Kaplan Aspect New Zealand's convenient Transfer Service. All students under 18 years old must book a Kaplan Aspect Transfer Service.

Kaplan Aspect transfers

Offered on arrival and departure to and from Christchurch.

Students must provide the agent with exact flight details - airline, flight number, arrival date and time, place of origin. The agent or student should fax the information directly to the college. Students must provide Kaplan Aspect NZ school with their flight details no later than two weeks before their arrival.

Our Airport Transfer agent meets our students at the airport and transports them directly to their host family, hostel or hotel. Student will be met in arrivals area of the Christchurch International or Domestic Airport. A Kaplan Aspect representative will be waiting there with a Kaplan Aspect NZ sign and the student's name. If the student cannot find the representative, they should find the public telephone at the information desk at the airport and telephone the following emergency number:

Kaplan Aspect Christchurch

Tel: + 64 3 379 5452

Independent Transfers

Taxis are available at the airport.

One-way taxi to homestay – NZD 20-60



Cathedral square