

## WHY CHOOSE TO STUDY IN OUR SAN DIEGO SCHOOL?

## 5 reasons to study here

- Located in the trendy and historic Gaslamp Quarter
- Provides year-round residential options near the beach and in the city
- Minutes away from the PETCO Park baseball stadium, the Convention Center, and the charming Seaport Village
- Surrounded by shops, fabulous dining options, and a buzzing nightlife
- Study in a friendly and welcoming atmosphere

#### Location and contact information

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AT THIS ADDRESS SINCE: 2014
PROVIDING ENGLISH COURSES 2008

SINCE:













### **School information**

SCHOOL DIRECTOR: Mardy Arenas

TOTAL NUMBER OF 11–15 (Full time teachers: 5–10) TEACHERS:

LANGUAGES SPOKEN BY French, Japanese, Spanish, Turkish,

STAFF: Vietnamese, Finnish

TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS: All teachers have a level of education normally represented by a degree and they also have a CELTA or equivalent qualification. Some also hold the higher

level DELTA qualification, PGCE, or MA in applied linguistics

## **Accreditations and memberships**





#### Is this school an exam center?

Yes, it is a TOEIC exam center.



## **ABOUT THE SCHOOL**

NUMBER OF BUILDINGS:

1

NUMBER OF FLOORS:

1

TOTAL NUMBER OF CLASSROOMS:

20

SCHOOL FACILITIES:

Elevator, air conditioning, heating, Wi-Fi, computer lab, vending machine, sun terrace/patio, prayer room,

 $student\ lounge/\ common\ room, student\ kitchenette, study\ center/\ library, Game\ Center\ and\ music$ 

instruments (ping pong table, foosball table, guitar, keyboard, hand drums)

WHEELCHAIR / DISABLED ACCESS: Yes \*front door does not open automatically but there is a doorbell/camera that will alert staff if anyone

needs help. Restroom entrance door is not wheelchair friendly.

EXTRA COST OF FACILITIES: No

OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED: Accommodation, Airport transfer, University Placement Service, Medical Insurance, Private Lessons

EXTRA COST OF OTHER SERVICES: See our price list

NUMBER OF COMPUTERS AVAILABLE: 16

LEVELS OF ENGLISH OFFERED: All levels

FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL: Orientation starts every Monday at 09:00. This includes a placement test, staff and department

introductions, informative sessions on school policies, immigration regulations, and the social program, a city tour of downtown, and the distribution of class timetables. Classes start on Tuesdays. On their first day, students are expected to bring their passport, visa, entry stamp, proof of medical insurance, a pencil,

and a notebook. IGrad orientation is at 10:00am.







#### SAMPLE CLASS TIMETABLE

Morning		Afternoon	
CLASS:	08:30 - 10:00	CLASS:	N/A
BREAK:	10:00 - 10:15	BREAK:	N/A
CLASS:	10:15 - 11:45	CLASS:	N/A

#### SAMPLE SPECIFIC SKILLS CLASS TIMETABLE

Morning class
(Monday to Thursday)

Afternoon class
(Monday to Thursday)

12:30 - 14:00 N/A

#### **SCHOOL MATERIALS**

MATERIALS PROVIDED FOR STUDENTS:

 $K + curriculum, K + notes, K + tools, K + eXtra, Interactive \ whiteboards$ 

IS THERE A BOOK DEPOSIT?

No

IS THERE A MATERIALS FEE?

Yes for exam prep courses, no for English courses







### **Courses and students**

COURSES PROVIDED AT THIS SCHOOL: General English, Semi-Intensive English, Intensive English, Academic Year, Academic Semester, TOEFL IBT

 $\&\,A cademic\,English\,Exam\,Preparation, GMAT\,/\,GRE\,Exam\,Preparation, Business\,Supplementary$ 

SPECIAL / EXTRA COURSES PROVIDED: N/A

AVERAGE NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER CLASS: 11–15

MINIMUM AGE OF STUDENTS: 16

AVERAGE AGE OF STUDENTS: 22–25

STUDENTS PER AGE GROUP: 18-21: 20% / 22-25: 50% / 26-30: 15% / Over 30: 15%

TOP 10 STUDENT NATIONALITIES: Saudi Arabia, South Korea, Brazil, Japan, China, Italy, Switzerland, France, Turkey, Argentina

### **School location and transport**

	By foot	By bike	By bus	By subway/train
Time to the nearest café / restaurant:	1 minute	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest supermarket:	10 minutes	5 minutes	5 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest post office:	7 minutes	3 minutes	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest ATM / bank:	8 minutes	5 minutes	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest sports center:	15 minutes	5 minutes	5 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest hospital:	20 minutes	5 minutes	5 minutes	N/A
Time to the city center:	0 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A







#### **AIRPORT TRANSPORT**

CLOSEST AIRPORT: San Diego International Airport

	Line or Number	Cost	Duration
Airport to city center by bus:	992	\$3	30 minutes
Airport to city center by train:	N/A	N/A	N/A
International train station to city center:	N/A	N/A	N/A



### **ABOUT SAN DIEGO**

NAME OF LOCATION: San Diego

FAMOUS LANDMARKS: Petco Park, Balboa Park, Midway Museum

CUISINES WITHIN A 20-MINUTE WALK: American, British, Chinese, European, French, Greek, Indian, Italian, Japanese, Mexican, Middle Eastern,

Seafood, Spanish, Thai, Turkish, Vegetarian, Russian

TRANSPORT WITHIN A 10-MINUTE WALK: Bu

TOP 5 REASONS TO CHOOSE THIS CITY: Year-round sunshine, known for amazing restaurants and nightlife, plenty of beautiful beaches nearby,

many galleries and muesums, close proximity to Mexico

WHAT MAKES THIS CITY UNIQUE? Conveniently located in the heart of downtown yet close to the beaches

ALTERNATIVE THINGS TO DO: Enjoy Mexico for an evening of tacos and fun, visit the nearby cities of Los Angeles and Las Vegas, go

surfing on the beautiful California coast, spend the day shopping at local boutique on State Street,

CITY PERSONALITY: Active, active nightlife, alternative, architecture, artistic, big city, boutiques, buzzing, cosmopolitan,

diverse, fashion, foodie scene, friendly, historical, museums, ocean views, outdoorsy, vibrant, year-round

sunshine

#### Examples of nearby cities to visit

LOS ANGELES Travel time: 3 hours, price of return ticket: \$35

LAS VEGAS Travel time: 7 hours, price of return ticket: \$235

## Regular social activities

SURFLESSONS	\$60
USS MIDWAY MUSEUM	\$15
SAN DIEGO ZOO	\$20
SOCCER DAY	Free
SAN DIEGO CITY TOUR	\$40
DAY TRIP TO TOWN OF JULIAN	\$30
TACO TUESDAY	\$10

## Typical 2-week social schedule

Days	First week	Second week	
MON	Downtown tour	San Diego city tour	
TUE	Basketball	NBA game	
WED	Bowling	Soccer day	
THU	Lunch at Seaport Village	Volunteering	
FRI	Girls' night out: nail salon	San Francisco weekend trip	
SAT	Big Bear overnight	Six Flags	

Number of Social activities per week: 4





#### LIVING COST (SAMPLE PRICES FOR ITEMS IN THIS CITY)

• Bottle of water: \$2

• Coffee: \$2

• Meal out for two: \$25

• Takeaway pizza: \$12

Sandwich: \$10

Local bus ticket: \$72/month

Local train ticket: \$2.50

Bike rental: \$7

Can of coke: \$2

Cinema ticket: \$12



## PACIFIC BEACH APARTMENTS - BAY POINTE







ADDRESS: 3866 Ingraham St, San Diego, CA 92109

WEBSITE: N/A

ACCOMMODATION TYPE: Single room(s), twin room(s), 2-bedroom apartments, en-suite bathroom, shared bathroom, 2 bathrooms,

private kitchen for the apartment, lounge/ common area, TV in the common area. Roommates may be

Kaplan students, or other students/residents.

SERVICES AVAILABLE: Wi-Fi, linen and towels, cleaning service

EXTRA COST OF SERVICES: Phone is free for local calls only; laundry: \$1.50 to wash, \$1.25 to dry

BEDROOM: Wardrobe/ closet, desk, lamp, chair

KITCHEN: Stovetop, dishwasher, microwave, fridge, pots & pans, cooking utensils, crockery & cutlery

FACILITIES: Sports center (free), swimming pool (free), jacuzzi, outdoor space, BBQ area, coin-operated laundry

facilities, 30-seat movie theater, 4 tennis courts, 2 basketball courts, clubhouse, business center

EXTRA COST OF FACILITIES: Optional parking pass: \$50

FAMOUS LANDMARKS NEARBY: Gaslamp, Pacific Beach, Ocean Beach (popular for surfing), La Jolla Beach, Seaworld

VISITORS OR GUESTS ALLOWED?

NOISE RESTRICTIONS?

SMOKING ALLOWED IN THE RESIDENCE?

24-HOUR SECURITY?

No

ROOM CLEANING: Once a week, students are responsible for keeping common areas tidy

LINEN CHANGING: Once a week

AVAILABILITY: Year-round

MINIMUM NUMBER OF WEEKS? One

CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT TIMES: Check-in: Saturday 14:00 / Check-out: Saturday 11:00

ROOM DEPOSIT? Yes; Price: \$150 (credit card only)

	By foot	By bike	By bus	By subway/train
Time to the school (San Diego):	N/A	53 minutes	45 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest café / restaurant:	10 minutes	3 minutes	5 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest supermarket:	20 minutes	10 minutes	5 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest post office:	30 minutes	8 minutes	5 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest ATM / bank:	28 minutes	8 minutes	6 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest sports center:	20 minutes	6 minutes	5 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest hospital:	20 minutes	6 minutes	4 minutes	N/A
Time to the city center:	20 minutes	10 minutes	5 minutes	N/A
Time to the main airport:	N/A	36 minutes	60 minutes	N/A



# DOWNTOWN APARTMENTS - PINNACLE ON THE PARK







ADDRESS: 424 15th St ste 100, San Diego, CA 92101

WEBSITE: N/A

ACCOMMODATION TYPE: Single room(s), twin room(s), 2-bedroom apartments, shared bathroom, 2 bathrooms, private kitchen for

the apartment, lounge/communal area, TV in the common area. Roommates may be Kaplan students, or

other students/residents.

SERVICES AVAILABLE: Wi-Fi, phone, linen and towels, cleaning service

EXTRA COST OF SERVICES: Local phone calls are free, long distance calls are not permitted

BEDROOM: Wardrobe/ closet, desk, lamp, chair

KITCHEN: Stovetop, oven, dishwasher, microwave, refrigerator, coffee maker, toaster, pots & pans, crockery & cutlery,

cooking utensils

FACILITIES: 24-hour gym, swimming pool, jacuzzi, outdoor space, BBQ area, game room, movie room, laundry facilities

in apartment, smoke-free community

EXTRA COST OF FACILITIES: N/A

FAMOUS LANDMARKS NEARBY: Petco Park, Gaslamp Quarter, San Diego Convention Center, Seaport Village

VISITORS OR GUESTS ALLOWED?

Yes

NOISE RESTRICTIONS?

Yes

SMOKING ALLOWED IN THE RESIDENCE?

No

24-HOUR SECURITY?

Yes

ROOMS CLEANED EVERY: Once a week, students are responsible for keeping common areas tidy

LINEN CHANGED EVERY: Once a week upon request

AVAILABILITY: Year-round MINIMUM NUMBER OF WEEKS? one week

CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT TIMES Check-in: Saturday 16:00 / Check-out: Saturday 11:00

ROOM DEPOSIT? Yes(Price: \$150 (credit card only))

	By foot	By bike	By bus	By subway/train
Time to the school (San Diego):	10 minutes	6 minutes	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest café / restaurant:	2 Minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest supermarket:	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest post office:	10 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest ATM / bank:	5 Minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest sports center:	On-site	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest hospital:	N/A	20 minutes	26 minutes	N/A
Time to the city center:	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the main airport:	N/A	22 min	40 minutes	N/A



## HOST FAMILY INFORMATION







THINGS STUDENTS NEED TO BRING:
SERVICES INCLUDED:
EXTRA COST OF SERVICES:
MEALS PROVIDED:

Toiletries, personal items to make their room feel like home, prescription medication, phone card Bed linen, towels, laundry once a week (free), telephone for emergencies, Wi-Fi, pool/spa (in some homes) No

Yes

• BREAKFAST: Breakfast is usually a light meal consisting of cereal, fruit, toast, juice, or coffee.

 $Hosts\ will\ usually\ ask\ you\ to\ prepare\ your\ own\ breakfast.$ 

• LUNCH: You will be responsible for buying your own lunch.

• DINNER: You will usually eat dinner with your host, or occasionally you may prepare your

own meal with food supplied by your host.

WILL THE HOMESTAY ARRANGE TO PICK UP THE STUDENT FROM THE AIRPORT?

TRANSPORT TO SCHOOL:

WHERE ARE THE HOST FAMILIES LOCATED? ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

No

Your host will help you plan your trip to and from school on your first day and explain how to use public transport.

Clairemont, Lemon Grove, Clairemont Mesa, Point Loma, La Mesa

Homestays are 45-60 minutes from the school. Roommates may be Kaplan students, or other students/residents.