Welcome

This guide will help you find the perfect accommodation that suits your needs for when you start your course in Autumn 2021.

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We’re looking forward to welcoming you to the UK soon. Our dedicated accommodation team is here to support you and guide you through the options that best suit your individual needs.
Live with confidence

We can’t wait for you to join us in the UK at one of our safe and comfortable residences. Our dedicated accommodation team is available to guide you through your options, answer any questions you have, and support you if your situation changes.

We are here for you
Keeping all our students safe is our top priority. We will continue to follow UK government health and safety guidelines at all times, so you can rest assured that our residences and accommodation partners are taking the necessary precautions to protect your wellbeing.

Our dedicated accommodation team is here to discuss your options with you, or if you need help or support at any time.

Accommodation guarantee deadline
If your course starts in September 2021 you’re guaranteed a room with us if you accept your offer to study by 1 August 2021. Don’t worry, if you miss the guarantee deadline we’ll still do all we can to find you a fantastic place to stay during your course.

Your accommodation options
In this guide you'll find detailed information about your accommodation options in the UK. Once you accept your offer to study, you can log in to our accommodation portal and reserve your room.

We operate on a first-come, first-served basis and all options are subject to availability. When you log in to our portal, you will be able to see all currently available options, and can pick your preferred room type.

Autumn 2021 flexible arrival and support
For pathway courses starting in September 2021, we’re offering flexible arrival dates for accommodation contracts. You can arrive up to 2 weeks early (subject to availability) at no extra cost. This will give you time to self-isolate if required. If you’re travelling from a country on the UK government’s ‘red list’ and need to isolate in a quarantine hotel, you’ll also get some financial support to help cover the cost of the stay, along with comprehensive wellbeing support while you’re in quarantine. Learn more about arrival support on this webpage, and visit our accommodation FAQs webpage for more information.

Coronavirus information
We are continuing to do everything we can to keep our students as safe as possible during the pandemic. You can check our website for the most up-to-date information on accommodation and coronavirus measures.
Living in Bristol

Lively Bristol has a vibrant and diverse community. It is well known for its exciting arts and music scene, shopping opportunities, and the nightlife around the harbour area. Situated close to both the English countryside and the Welsh mountains, the historic city of Bristol is very popular with students.

Experience Bristol

History
Discover the history of Bristol at the M Shed museum, or board the SS Great Britain, one of the first ships to cross the Atlantic in 1843.

Culture
Watch a show at the Bristol Old Vic, one of the UK’s oldest working theatres, explore outstanding local art galleries, and see works by the world-famous street artist, Banksy.

Shopping
Explore Bristol’s popular shopping quarter, home to Cabot Circus, Quakers Friars, The Galleries and Broadmead shopping centre. There are so many stores to discover!

Nightlife
Have a great night out with your new friends: experience Bristol’s lively music scene and dance the night away in some of the best clubs in the UK.

Food
Try new and exciting food from around the world or sample the local cuisine with a traditional pub lunch or a visit to Bristol’s Farmer’s Market to taste home-cooked dishes that are made with locally-sourced ingredients.

Sports
Keep fit at the University of Bristol’s fantastic sports facilities, and enjoy the city’s many competitive offerings, from football pitches to tennis courts and ping pong tables.

City attractions
Visit the famous Clifton Suspension Bridge, or take a walk along Gloucester Road and North Street to see amazing street art. You can also witness the spectacular Bristol International Balloon Fiesta – Europe’s largest hot air balloon festival.

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Getting around

It's easy to get around Bristol, and your student accommodation will be conveniently located close to your classes and near to supermarkets, shops and restaurants.

Transport

🔍 Buses
It’s very convenient to travel around the city by bus. Bristol’s buses are clean and comfortable, and frequent routes operate within and outside the city, connecting you to many local areas of interest.

🔍 Trains
Bristol has excellent connections to destinations all over the UK, including fast services to London (90 minutes). The closest station to the residence is Bristol Temple Meads station in the city centre.

🔍 Taxis
The city also has a reliable taxi service, with taxi ranks located all around the city. They’re great for short trips, or for when you have heavy luggage.

🔍 Boats
Frequent boat and ferry services operate to and from waterfront attractions and key points along the harbour.

Walking time from King Square Studios to:
- Bus stop: 5 minutes
- Cafés and Restaurants: 3 minutes
- Supermarket: 2 minutes
- Local shops: 5 minutes
- Town centre: 15 minutes
- International Foundation Programme: 25 minutes
King Square Studios

Feel at home in the heart of Bristol in a comfortable, modern student residence.

**Location**
Situated close to a great range of restaurants and shops, the residence’s central location makes getting to your classes easy: you’ll be only a 25-minute walk or 20-minute bus journey from the Richmond Building, home to the International Foundation Programme.

**Studios and Twin studio**
Self-contained flat with private bedroom and bathroom. Studios have a private kitchen, Twin studios have a kitchen shared with one other student.

**Bedrooms**
Bedroom features a double bed, study desk, chair, plenty of storage spaces and a TV.

**Bathroom**
Private bathroom with a shower cubicle, basin and toilet.

**Kitchen**
Private or shared kitchen equipped with a microwave, hob, small fridge and cupboards.

**Social spaces**
Access to study spaces, cinema room and common rooms with games and satellite TV.

**Facilities**
Access to an on-site gym, bike storage and in-house laundry facilities (usage charges apply).

**Internet**
Free high-speed WiFi and fast wired internet.

**Bills included**
No surprises with electricity, gas and water charges — all bills and maintenance costs are included in the accommodation price.

**Security**
Secure door entry, an on-site management team and 24/7 cameras for your safety.

**Cleaning**
Regular cleaning service of communal areas.

Your wellbeing is our top priority. All residences will continue with health and safety guidelines, and additional measures such as enhanced cleaning are in place to protect everyone. Click here for more information about how we are prioritising your wellbeing.

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**All options include a private bedroom and bathroom | City centre location | On-site gym facilities**

**Twin studio**
Room size: 14m²

**Standard studio**
Room size: 18m²

**Medium studio**
Room size: 19.5m²

**Large studio**
Room size: 21m²

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Please note: images intended for illustrative purposes only. Actual room layout, contents and furnishings may differ.
Compare your options

Use the table below to see which options suit you, and select your preferences when booking your room.

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There are lots of benefits when you book accommodation with Kaplan

**For your comfort**
- All private bedrooms
- Your own study space
- Free WiFi

**For your convenience**
- Convenient city location
- Great transport links
- On-site laundry

**For your safety**
- On-site support staff
- Secure door entry
- Free contents insurance

**For your enjoyment**
- Games rooms
- Cinema room
- Fantastic social spaces

While every effort will be made to allocate your first choice, we cannot guarantee this. We operate on a first-come, first-served basis and all options are subject to availability, therefore you may be offered another accommodation type or location, or we may refer you to another provider.
University-arranged accommodation

It’s also an option to stay in the University of Bristol’s own accommodation while you prepare for your degree on the International Foundation Programme. For this option, you’ll need to book your accommodation directly with the University itself.

University residences

The University of Bristol has residences across its campus. If you choose University-arranged accommodation, you’ll be living alongside students already on their degree. There will also be lots of opportunities to get involved in social activities and sports. You can find more information on how to book the University of Bristol’s own accommodation at www.bristol.ac.uk/accommodation/
Student starter pack

Free items for your arrival
If you book your accommodation with Kaplan, we provide you with a free ‘student starter pack’ to make your arrival in the UK as easy as possible. It has many of the basic items you’ll need as soon as you move in and means you won’t have to rush to the shops on your first day.

Your bedding, cooking equipment and tableware items

- Dinner plate
- Glass tumbler
- Spoon and fork
- Pillow
- Fitted sheet
- Duvet
- Pillowcase
- Small plate
- Vegetable peeler
- Cereal bowl
- Mug
- Saucepan
- Ladle
- Plastic spoons
- Frying pan
- Colander
- Tin opener
- Hand towel
- Saucepan
- Toiletries pack
- Toilet roll
- Duvet cover

Please note: For legal reasons, knives are not provided. Actual contents of the student starter pack may vary.
How to book

You can book your accommodation by following the steps below.

**Step 1 Choose your room**

Check the dates and prices on the accommodation page on our website, and choose the option that matches your course dates.

**Step 2 Log in to accommodation portal**

If you have applied and received an offer of study, you'll need to accept your offer first. If you indicated on the application form you would like Kaplan-arranged accommodation, you'll then receive login details for the accommodation portal via email. If you have not received anything, please contact us and we'll arrange to resend it to you.

**Step 3 Confirm your room selection**

Use your login details to log into the accommodation portal. Here, you will be able to see available options and you can choose your preferred room type.

**Step 4 Kaplan will allocate your room**

Once we have allocated your room, we will send you an email asking you to log back in to the accommodation portal to confirm your booking. You will need to sign your accommodation agreement electronically, nominate a guarantor and make your first accommodation payment.

**Step 5 Confirmation of booking**

Once you have completed the required steps, we will confirm your booking.

**Step 6 Your arrival confirmation**

When you are ready to come to the UK and have booked your flight, you will need to confirm your arrival details by completing the online Pre-Arrival Form. We will be able to book and confirm transfers for you, and further important details will be included in the Pre-Arrival Guide. Please submit your arrival details at least 2 weeks before you fly to ensure your accommodation is ready ahead of your arrival.
How to pay

Before you arrive, you can pay your accommodation fees using one of the methods below:

**Method 1**
Bank transfer / credit or debit card to Flywire.

1. Visit uniofbristolifp.flywire.com
2. Choose your country and the amounts you are paying in Pounds Sterling
3. Choose your payment method and make your payment to Flywire
4. Enter the payer details and those of the student you are paying for
5. Track and confirm your payment by email, SMS or by logging into uniofbristolifp.flywire.com

**Method 2**
Bank draft or electronic transfer in Pounds Sterling to:
Bank Account Name: Kaplan International Colleges UK Limited – Bristol IFP
Bank Name: HSBC Bank plc
Sort Code: 40-11-60
Bank Account Number: 01250469
BIC: HBUKGB4
IBAN NO: GB25HBUK40116001250469
Bank Address: 60 Queen Victoria Street, London, EC4N 4TR

Payments

For your first payment, you can pay any amount from a minimum of £1,000 to the full accommodation price. This should be made before your arrival in the UK, and includes a £250 security deposit and a £750 accommodation fee. Depending on your accommodation option, the remaining amount is paid when you register for your first term, and before your second term (if applicable).

Accommodation guarantee deadline

You’ll be guaranteed accommodation if you accept your offer to study and book your accommodation before 1 August 2021.

Don’t worry – if you miss the guarantee deadline, you can still login to the accommodation portal to see what options are available to you. If no options are available at the time, you can join our waitlist, and we’ll do everything we can to help you find a great place to live in Bristol.
Useful information

You can find some helpful information below to guide you through your accommodation application.

**Accommodation Agreement**
The Accommodation Agreement is a contract confirming the details of your accommodation. By signing your Accommodation Agreement, you are agreeing, under UK law, to pay for your accommodation for the full length of the accommodation contract.

**Guarantors**
A guarantor is someone who will be legally responsible for any accommodation fees you are unable to or fail to pay.

**Accommodation confirmation**
You must complete the required steps in order to secure your booking. If you fail to do so by the accommodation confirmation date, your agreement may be cancelled and your room given to another student to book. If your Accommodation Agreement is cancelled, and you tell us that you would still like to book Kaplan-arranged accommodation, you will be offered the next available room.

**Moving into your room**
You will be able to move into your room from the start date of your contract, but only if you have sent us your signed Accommodation Agreement and first payment.

**Refunds**
When your Accommodation Agreement is cancelled and you decide not to take another offered room, refund of any fees paid will only be granted in line with Kaplan International Pathways’ Terms and Conditions, and may be subject to an administration fee being deducted. If you leave the University of Bristol’s International Foundation Programme for any reason after you arrive, accommodation fees will not be refunded.

**Accommodation portal login**
You’ll receive your login details via email once you have accepted your study offer.

**Accommodation length change**
You may not change your contract length after you have booked and signed your Accommodation Agreement.

**Evidence of payment**
Evidence of payment can be a copy of the payment receipt, bank statement, banker’s draft or via Flywire.

**First payment**
The first payment is to secure your accommodation along with the signed Accommodation Agreement. The £1,000 first payment is then divided into £250 for the security deposit and £750 towards your accommodation fees. Your security deposit will be fully returned when you move out of your accommodation. It will not be refunded if the room is damaged or left in bad condition, or if there are any accommodation penalty charges outstanding.

**Under 18s**
Where possible, the College will accommodate students under 18 years of age in a single-sex flat with other students under 18 years old. If this option is not available, we will notify the student’s parents or legal guardian to offer alternative accommodation. Students who are under the age of 18 on arrival in the UK may be asked to pay all their accommodation fees before they arrive, and are advised to stay in either Kaplan or university-arranged accommodation.

**Visa**
If your visa application is unsuccessful, please send a copy of your visa refusal documents (or other evidence) to your Admissions Adviser and Accommodation Bookings Team for review. A decision will then be made regarding eligibility for refund in line with the company’s terms and conditions.
Find out more
Visit the links below or contact us for more information.
We look forward to helping you make Bristol your new home!

Useful links:
- Accommodation in Bristol
- Accommodation dates and prices
- Prepare for your studies in Bristol
- University of Bristol
- Visit Bristol

Social media:
Search: KaplanPathways
facebook-f twitter youtube instagram snapchat-ghost
#KaplanLife

Contact details:
pathways.accommodation@kaplan.com

For accommodation queries with the Central Accommodation Team:
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