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This guide will help you find the perfect accommodation that suits your needs for the period from September 2020 to July 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're here for you

The world has changed a lot recently, and the accommodation we offer has adapted with it. Our dedicated accommodation team will support you and guide you through your options whenever you're ready to travel. We'll help make sure you have an amazing time here in the UK.

Best time to book
We are welcoming students to our residences. However, we advise you to book your accommodation only once you have received your CAS, and you know that you are definitely coming to the UK (travel restrictions permitting).

If you have confirmed your place to study in the UK, then you will be able to reserve your room in Kaplan-booked accommodation.

You will be guaranteed a room when you are ready to come to the UK (in line with accommodation contract start dates), and we will do everything we can to find you a fantastic place to stay during your pathway course.

Spring, Summer and Autumn 2020 starters
If you started your course remotely between April 2020 and December 2020, and planned to join us in person later on, for most programmes we are offering 3 different accommodation contract start dates for you to choose from: 6 January 2021, 27 February 2021 or 17 April 2021. All accommodation options and total costs are available on our Accommodation Form.

Spring 2021 flexible starts
We understand the current global situation demands some flexibility. That’s why we are offering 3 different arrival dates for you to choose from: 6 January 2021, 27 February 2021 or 17 April 2021. These flexible accommodation start dates correspond with our study programme start dates. This means that you can begin your programme remotely if you wish on 6 January 2021, and then move into your UK accommodation later on 27 February 2021 or 17 April 2021.

Summer 2021 early arrival
If availability allows, you might be able to arrive early at your accommodation for courses starting in Summer 2021. Please let us know at pathways.accommodation@kaplan.com when you expect to arrive, and we can confirm further details along with any costs.

Learn more about flexible start dates and arrivals here.

Your accommodation options
In this guide you'll find detailed information about your accommodation options in the UK. Once you are ready to travel, you can submit the online Accommodation Form indicating your preference.

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 one of our trusted third-party providers.

Find the latest updates
We've answered some common questions about accommodation during this period. Please visit our accommodation FAQs webpage for more information.
Living in Bristol

The largest city in the south west of England, Bristol has a diverse and welcoming community. It is famous for its street art, but also has plenty of other things to explore, from beautiful parks and green spaces to quirky, independent shops and the vibrant harbourside area.

Experience Bristol

History
See exhibits and artworks from all around the world at Bristol Museum and Art Gallery, or learn more about the history of the city at the Bristol Archives.

Culture
Take a street art tour, watch a play at the Tobacco Factory Theatres, or catch a musical, opera or comedy show at Bristol Hippodrome.

Nightlife
Bristol is great for music fans: watch your favourite bands at Thekla or the O2 Academy Bristol, or enjoy a night out at one of Bristol's many clubs and bars.

Shopping
From the independent shops of Gloucester Road to all your high street favourites at shopping centres like Cabot Circus, Quakers Friars and the Galleries, you’ll have plenty of opportunities to indulge in some retail therapy.

City attractions
You can see some of the famous street artist Banksy’s best work on Stokes Croft, or get your picture taken at the iconic Clifton Suspension Bridge. Bristol is also home to many exciting festivals, such as the International Balloon Fiesta, the largest hot air balloon festival in Europe.

Sports
Keep fit at UWE Bristol: Centre for Sport. Use the University’s sports facilities and equipment, join a competitive sports club or have fun in a fitness class with friends.

Food
Get a taste of the UK with a traditional pub lunch, or find locally-sourced ingredients at the Farmer’s Market. If you’re craving food from your hometown though don’t worry — you can find food from all over the world in Bristol!
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.

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**Your accommodation is within a walking distance of:**
- Sports centre 2 minutes
- Small supermarket 2 minutes
- International College 5 minutes
- Café 5 minutes
- Supermarket 15 minutes
- Restaurants 15 minutes
- Train station 17 minutes
Cotswold Court

Enjoy the full student experience at this on-campus accommodation in the Frenchay Student Village.

**Location**
Located on the main Frenchay Campus with excellent transport links to Bristol city centre. Cotswold Court is one of the four courtyards that make up the Student Village. You will be within easy reach of your classes, cafés, bars and the Students' Union.

**Bedrooms**
Single bedrooms with a single bed and private bathroom in a shared flat of up to 6 students.

**Bathroom**
Fully equipped private bathroom with a toilet, basin and shower.

**Kitchen**
Shared self-catering kitchen, fully equipped with 2 electric cookers, 2 fridge-freezers, a microwave, kettle, breakfast bar and 6 stools.

**Social spaces**
Student lounge with comfortable seating and 2 coffee tables. There is a TV aerial socket available.

**Facilities**
Within walking distance of a laundry service (usage charges apply), on-site supermarket, gym and sports centre with football field, squash courts and climbing wall, a library and computer room.

**Internet**
Free fast and stable broadband and WiFi access.

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

**Security**
On-site security staff, 24/7 security cameras for your safety and secure door entry systems.

**Cleaning**
A weekly cleaning service for your room or kitchen is available on request (contact us for more information).

**All private bedrooms** | **5-minute walk to the College** | **Close to the Sports centre and small supermarket** | **24-hour support staff**

**Standard ensuite**

Review the price and dates of this type of room for your pathway course

Please note: Health and safety measures such as extra cleaning, closure of communal spaces, social distancing rules and additional signage are in place to protect everyone. Click here for more information about how we are prioritising your wellbeing.

Please note - images intended for illustrative purposes only. Actual room layout, contents and furnishings may differ. While every effort will be made to allocate your first choice, we cannot guarantee this. We operate and 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.
“The College helped me organise my accommodation – I just asked my agent in my country and they arranged everything with Kaplan. Living in student accommodation has helped me meet people from lots of other countries.”

Galina, Kazakhstan
Stayed at Cotswold Court
Student starter pack

**Free items for your arrival**
To make your move as easy as possible, we provide a free 'student starter pack' with many of the basic items you’ll need as soon as you move in. It means that you won’t have to rush around the shops on your first day, and can settle right into your new accommodation.

Your bedding, cooking equipment and tableware items

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

In addition, we will also provide:
- Face mask
- Personal bottle of hand sanitiser

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

You don’t need to book accommodation until you’re sure you can join us in the UK. When you’re ready, 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  Submit the Accommodation Form

You can complete the online Accommodation Form to indicate your accommodation preferences OR
You can indicate your preferred room type when applying for your course on the application form. We will send you further information with your tuition offer letter.

Step 3  Accept your offer

Once you have accepted your offer, we will be able to confirm your accommodation. We will reserve a room for you and send you an email with an Accommodation Pack containing your Accommodation Agreement and the Accommodation Terms and Conditions.

Step 4  Sign and return the agreement

You (the tenant) and your guarantor will need to read, sign and return the documents in the Accommodation Pack by the accommodation confirmation date, which can be found in the Accommodation Pack. A third person must also witness the signatures, and provide their own details on the document.

Step 5  First payment

If you have not done so already, you will also need to make a minimum first payment of £1,000 to secure the room. This will be credited towards your overall accommodation fees.

First payment of £1,000 (minimum): To be made before you arrive in the UK. Includes a £250 security deposit and £750 accommodation fee.

Remaining payments: Depending on your accommodation option, pay the remaining amount when you just arrive in the UK and before your second term (if applicable).

Step 6  Your arrival confirmation

When you are ready to come to the UK and have booked a flight, you will need to confirm your arrival details by completing the online Pre-Arrival Form. The College will be able to book and confirm transfers for you; details are provided in the Pre-Arrival Guide. Please submit your arrival details at least 2 weeks before you fly to ensure the College and your accommodation are prepared for your arrival.
How to pay

Before you arrive, you can make your first payment using one of the methods below:

**Method 1**
Bank transfer / credit or debit card to Flywire.
1. Visit UWEBICbristol.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 UWEBICbristol.flywire.com

**Method 2**
Bank draft or electronic transfer in Pounds Sterling to:
- **Bank Account Name:** Kaplan UWE Limited
- **Bank Name:** HSBC Bank plc
- **Sort Code:** 40-11-60
- **Bank Account Number:** 20004251
- **BIC:** HBUKGB4B
- **IBAN NO:** GB36 HBUK 40116020004251
- **Bank Address:** 60 Queen Victoria Street, London, EC4N 4TR

**Don’t forget...**
Remember to include evidence of your first payment when you return your signed Accommodation Agreement to reserve your chosen accommodation option. You should include your family name and student number (found on your offer letter) as payment reference.
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.

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.

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.

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

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 College for any reason after you arrive, accommodation fees will not be refunded.

Under 18s
The College will accommodate students under 18 years of age in a single-sex flat with other students under 18 years old. 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 for review. A decision will then be made regarding eligibility for refund in line with the company’s terms and conditions.

Accommodation guarantee
Spring and Summer 2021
If you start your course between January and July 2021, you will be guaranteed a room when you are ready to come to the UK (in line with accommodation contract start dates). We advise you to only book your accommodation once your CAS has been issued and you know that you are definitely coming to the UK (travel restrictions permitting).
Find out more
Visit the links below or contact us for more information.
We look forward to welcoming you to Bristol!

Useful links:
- Accommodation in Bristol
- Prepare for your studies at the College
- UWE Bristol
- Student life in Bristol
- Visit Bristol

Social media:
Search: UWEBICBristol
Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Instagram
#KaplanLife

Contact details:
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