



Kaplan International Center

# Illinois Institute of Technology



Just a 10 minute train ride from Downtown Chicago, KIC IIT is located on the IIT campus, which is famous for its cutting edge architecture, including buildings designed by Mies Van der Rohe. IIT is a world famous private PhD granting university, with programs in engineering, science, psychology, architecture, business, design and law.

The Kaplan center is located in a brand-new, custom designed space on the second floor of a modern building tower. Students have free use of IIT's facilities, including the library, student union, pool, gym and sporting facilities.

Students at Kaplan IIT have the best of both worlds - studying in a tranquil academic setting, yet only a stone's throw from the internationally famous cultural and culinary delights of Chicago.



Illinois Institute of Technology Tower



Kaplan International Center at Illinois Institute of Technology  
10 W. 35th Street  
2nd Floor  
Chicago, IL 60616

Kaplan International Centers in the USA are accredited by the Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training.

Kaplan International Centers is a member of TESOL (Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages) and NAFSA (Association for International Educators).





## Center Facilities

### Classrooms

The classrooms at Kaplan International Center IIT are intimate and sunlit.

### Multimedia Center

The Multimedia Center is equipped with 15 computers, full internet access, and a variety of online language learning resources.

### Library

Kaplan International Center students have access to the extensive IIT library which features private study rooms, group study rooms and giant bean-bag chairs!

### Student Lounge

There are student lounges in the center, in the dormitories and in the architecturally renowned Student Union Building. All of the lounges feature private study rooms, group study rooms and giant bean-bag chairs!

### Cafeteria

There is a small café serving hot and cold meals on the ground floor of the building. The main campus cafeteria is located in the Student Union Building and seats over 300 students.

### Sports facilities

There are playing fields, basketball courts, a football field, a swimming pool, a running track, and volleyball court available for students to use. Students can also play racquetball, ping-pong, pool, or visit the on-campus bowling alley.

### Gym facilities

Students have free access to a large gym on campus: it includes weight training machines, free weights, cardio machines and locker rooms.

### Activities/Social Program

Chicago provides visitors with many big-city recreational opportunities. Watch the famous Chicago Bulls basketball team, or see the Cubs play at America's oldest and most famous baseball stadium, Wrigley Field. Chicago's cultural scene is packed with hundreds of shows, exhibits, festivals and special events including a tour of a house designed by celebrated architect Frank Lloyd Wright.



Student lounge



Multimedia room



Student lounge



Reception

### Your first day

**On the first day of your course you need to report to 10 W. 35th Street, 2nd Floor, Chicago, IL 60616, (Your first day will be a Monday unless there is a Kaplan holiday on the Monday - in which case your first day will be Tuesday).**

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

- A placement test to determine your course level
- Information about your classes
- An overview of center activities and excursions
- A tour of the center, including Kaplan International Center facilities as well as all campus facilities available to Kaplan International Center students
- Completion of forms and collection of any outstanding payments

**Please bring the following with you:**

- Passport and I-94 form (given to you at US Immigration)
- I-20 form (if you have an F-1 visa)
- Proof of health insurance
- \$125 residence deposit (if applicable)
- All your Kaplan International Center documents
- \$40 USD book deposit
- Pen and paper for note-taking purposes

On the first day you will receive information about your class schedule, classroom number, study level, specific skills, and the hours you are to attend class. You will be assigned the most appropriate class for your level of English.



## Local Information

### Transport - buses and trains

Chicago has an excellent public transportation system and KIC IIT is easily accessible by bus or train. The school is only 10 minutes from Downtown Chicago by public transportation. The Green line train is directly across the road from the campus, or the Red line is about a 5 minute walk. IIT also offers a free shuttle bus to and from Downtown Chicago that runs mornings and afternoons Monday to Friday.

### Banks and Post Office

There is a post office and mailroom on campus. There are also ATMs on campus and many other major banks located in Chicago.

### Restaurants and cafés

Chicago is famous for its diverse and unique cuisines. You can find almost any type of food imaginable amongst the various city neighborhoods.

### Department stores and supermarkets

Both shopping and supermarkets are plentiful throughout the greater Chicago area.

### Telephone and Internet

The school has wireless internet access, internet kiosks and a computer lab. There are several companies offering very reasonable deals on cellphones, and international calling cards are also available.



IIT campus



Beach volleyball court on campus



One of the campus common rooms



Sky train from McCormick Tribune Campus Center

### Cost of Living

#### Approximate prices in USD (subject to change)

Sandwich:	\$6
Hamburger:	\$6
Meal in Restaurant:	
Dinner	\$20-\$30
Lunch	\$10-\$20
Tea/Coffee:	\$3.00
Tickets:	
Movie	\$10
CTA Bus	\$2.25
CTA Train	\$2.25

### Sample Activities Schedule

Please note that this is a sample program and activities may change.

#### Week one

Monday	Welcome new students!
Tuesday	Visit the Sky Deck at Willis Tower, or Ice Skating at Millennium Park
Wednesday	Volleyball
Thursday	Watch a professional baseball game
Friday	Music in Grant Park
Saturday	Six Flags

#### Week two

Monday	Movie at the Navy Pier
Tuesday	Visit to the Art Institute
Wednesday	Volleyball match
Thursday	Social evening activity
Friday	Maxwell Street Flea Market



## Transfer Information

### Kaplan Transfers

You should fly to Chicago O`Hare or Midway Airport. If you have paid for the Transfer Service, a greeter holding a Kaplan sign will meet you outside, after you have claimed your luggage.

The name of the transportation company is Omega Airport Shuttle. If you have any questions or cannot find your driver please call Omega toll free on 1-773-734-6688.

If there are any other changes to your arrival, or if you have any problems, you should contact the school emergency phone number(+1 312-560-0908) and be prepared to tell them your name and what you need help with.

### Independent Transfers

Taxis may be taken to the Homestay or to the dorms. Trains depart from both airports.

#### To get to the center:

From O`Hare Airport: take the Blue Line train, transfer to the Green Line at the Clark/Lake station (heading south to 63rd/Ashland), exit at the IIT/Bronzeville stop.

From Midway Airport: take the Orange Line train, transfer to the Green Line at Roosevelt (heading south to 95th) exit at IIT/Bronzeville stop.



Kaplan Students at Illinois institute of Technology

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