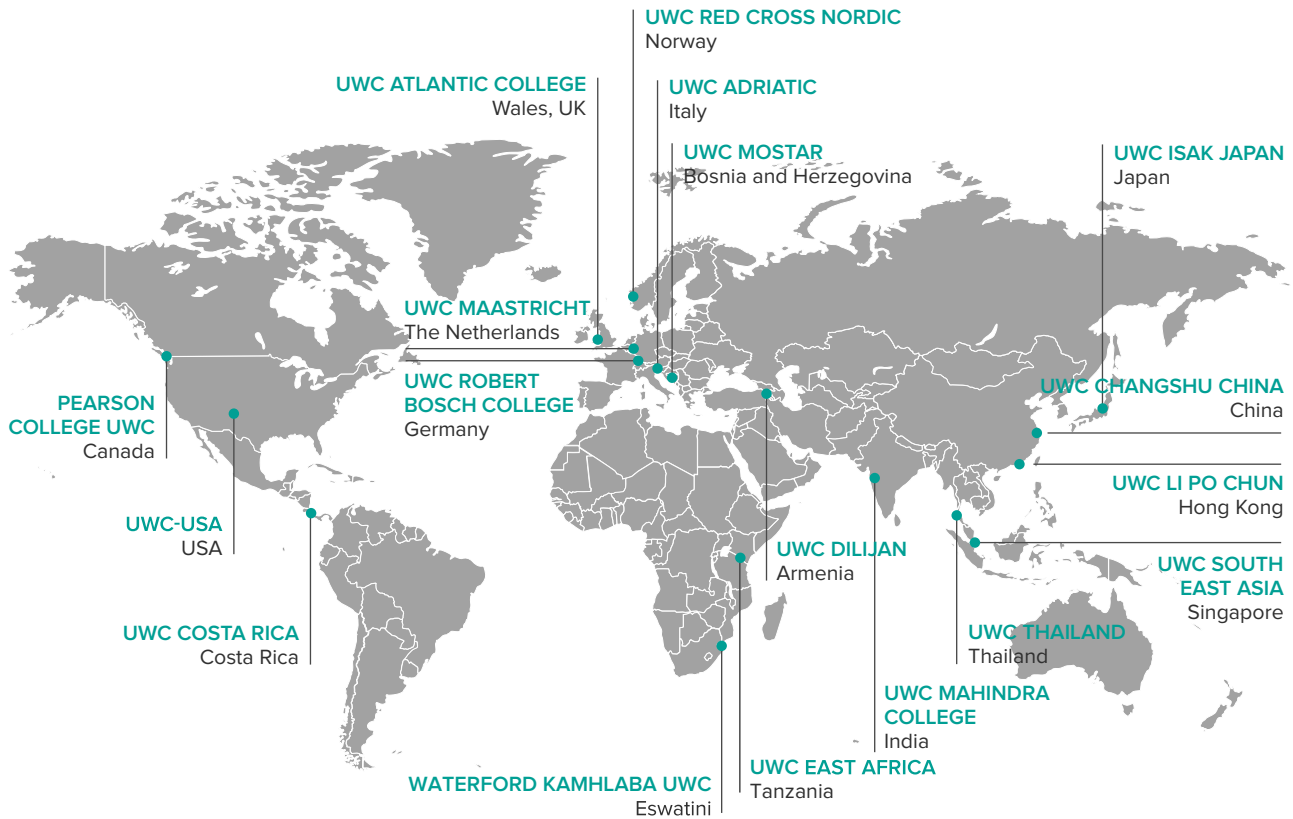




“EDUCATION IS THE MOST POWERFUL WEAPON  
WHICH YOU CAN USE TO CHANGE THE WORLD”

UWC Honorary President Nelson Mandela



**UWC (UNITED WORLD COLLEGES)** is a global educational movement that includes a network of international schools, colleges and national committees working to make **education** a force to unite people, nations and cultures for **peace** and a **sustainable future**.

UWC schools and colleges deliver a challenging and transformational educational experience to a **deliberately diverse** group of young people guided by UWC's core **values**:

- Celebration of difference
- Personal responsibility and integrity
- Mutual responsibility and respect
- Compassion and service
- Respect for the environment
- A sense of idealism
- Personal challenge
- Action and personal example
- International and intercultural understanding

**1** MISSION

**18** UWC SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES  
IN 4 CONTINENTS

**>150** NATIONAL COMMITTEES

**4,000** VOLUNTEERS  
WHO SELECT  
UWC STUDENTS

**10,987** CURRENT STUDENTS,  
4,946 IN THE IB  
DIPLOMA YEARS

**>80%** NATIONAL COMMITTEE  
SELECTED IBDP  
STUDENTS RECEIVE  
SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT

**60,000** OVER 60,000  
ALUMNI  
WORLDWIDE

## A UNIQUE NETWORK OF UWC SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Inspired by the pioneering German educationalist Kurt Hahn, UWC was founded in 1962, with the aim to promote peace.

Today, **18 UWC schools and colleges** on **4 continents** offer world class education to students from over 100 nationalities. While four of them include children and young people aged 2-19, the majority focus on the 16-19 year old age group and teach the worldwide recognised International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma. Community services, creative activities and outdoor challenges play an integral part of UWC's experiential approach to education.

## AN EDUCATION INDEPENDENT OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC MEANS

UWC believes in deliberate diversity and the importance of education being independent of the student's socio-economic means. Currently, **over 80%** of National Committee-selected UWC students in the IB Diploma years receive either **full or partial financial assistance**.

## A VOLUNTARY-RUN SYSTEM SELECTS STUDENTS LOCALLY WORLDWIDE

UWC students are selected based on potential through UWC's unique **national committee system**: a network of more than **4,000 dedicated volunteers** who promote the UWC movement, find, interview and select students in more than 155 countries. Through a wide range of strategic partnerships with governments, educational organisations, youth organisations, orphanages and refugee camps, UWC reaches a high proportion of students who would not otherwise have access to high quality academic programmes. Younger applicants to UWC schools also undergo selection at local level.

## MAKING AN IMPACT

A UWC education is the beginning of a lifelong journey guided by the UWC mission to contribute to a more peaceful and sustainable future. To date, UWC has inspired a worldwide network of more than **60,000 alumni**, working and acting across the globe in a vast spectrum of areas towards a more peaceful and sustainable future.

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