

# UWC DILIJAN AT A GLANCE 2024-2025



## UWC DILIJAN OVERVIEW

With its opening in fall 2014, UWC Dilijan became the 14th member of the UWC movement.

UWC Dilijan evolved from the original idea to create Dilijan International School of Armenia, first conceived in 2006 by Ruben Vardanyan and Veronika Zonabend with the support of other Founding Donors.

The school is now an integral part of Dilijan and Armenia and aims to have powerfully positive local and regional impact.

UWC Dilijan is fully committed to providing its intentionally diverse, global community of students a transformative, two-year, residential education with the **UWC movement's core values at the forefront**:

- INTERNATIONAL AND INTERCULTURAL UNDERSTANDING
- 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

### UWC DILIJAN MISSION

THE UNITED WORLD COLLEGE (UWC) MOVEMENT MAKES EDUCATION A FORCE TO UNITE PEOPLE, NATIONS AND CULTURES FOR PEACE AND A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE.

## INTENTIONALLY DIVERSE, GLOBAL COMMUNITY

### INTENTIONAL

All students are carefully selected on the basis of merit and potential by UWC National Committees in their home countries. Students are between 16 and 17 years old upon entry, and are selected based on **academic achievement, co-curricular involvement, leadership, potential and fit with the UWC mission.**

### SOCIOECONOMIC DIVERSITY

UWC Dilijan is devoted to providing educational access for students around the world - **87% of students receive some level of financial support out of whom 30% are on full scholarships**

### GLOBAL

UWC Dilijan's **220 students hail from about 80 countries**. 10% are Armenian, and the rest of the students come from other countries.

The school administration as well as its teaching and residential staff also come from a variety of countries around the world, including:

The countries represented in the current study body (Classes of 2025 and 2026) are:

Afghanistan	Bulgaria	France	Italy	Moldova	Romania	Thailand
Albania	Canada	Georgia	Japan	Myanmar	Russia	Tunisia
Argentina	China	Germany	Kenya	Namibia	Slovakia	Turkey
Armenia	Colombia	Hong Kong	Latvia	Nepal	South Africa	Uganda
Australia	Congo	Hungary	Lebanon	Netherlands	South Korea	Ukraine
Bangladesh	Costa Rica	India	Lithuania	Norway	Spain	United States
Belarus	Cyprus	Indonesia	Luxembourg	Oman	Sudan	Uzbekistan
Belgium	Curacao	Iran	Malaysia	Palestine	Sweden	Venezuela
Bhutan	Czech Republic	Iraq	Maldives	Poland	Syria	Vietnam
Bolivia	Egypt	Ireland	Mauritius	Portugal	Taiwan	Zimbabwe
Brazil	Estonia	Israel	Mexico	Philippines	Tajikistan	

Armenia	Netherlands	Poland
Sri Lanka	Philippines	Costa Rica
UK	Sweden	Turkey
Russia	Spain	Uruguay
Germany	Ireland	Burundi
India	Serbia	Syria
Canada	Nepal	

# TRANSFORMATIVE, TWO-YEAR, RESIDENTIAL EDUCATION

Co-curricular involvement is a significant component of the student experience. Many of the co-curricular activities available at UWC Dilijan are entirely initiated and led by the students themselves. Additionally, all students are involved in on-campus service as well as off-campus engagement in the Dilijan community. The richness of learning beyond the classroom includes frequent cultural weekends and issue-oriented focus weeks, as well as two off-campus project weeks each year for intensive experiential learning.

Living and learning with students and staff of different cultures and backgrounds is an essential feature of UWC Dilijan. All students live on campus and are expected to be fully involved in the academic, residential and co-curricular life of the College. Residential programming and structures encourage students to explore and negotiate diversity in all aspects of life.

All students pursue the full International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, in English. As part of the IBDP, students take 3 subjects at the Higher Level (HL), and 3 subjects at the Standard Level (SL). Additionally, students complete a Theory of Knowledge (TOK) course, a 4000 word Extended Essay (EE) on a topic of their choice, and the requirements of Creativity, activity, service (CAS).



## IB COURSES OFFERED TO THE CLASS OF 2024



### Group 1: Studies in language and literature

- Armenian A: Literature HL / SL
- English A: Language & Literature HL / SL
- English A: Literature HL / SL
- Language and culture / SL
- Russian A: Literature HL / SL
- School-Supported Self-Taught Language A: Literature SL  
*Arabic, Chinese, Danish, Dutch, French, German, Japanese, Norwegian, Slovak, Spanish, Zulu*

### Group 2: Language acquisition

- English B HL
- German ab initio SL
- Language and culture / SL
- Russian ab initio SL
- Spanish ab initio SL

### Group 3: Individuals and societies

- Economics HL / SL
- Environmental Systems & Societies SL
- Geography HL / SL
- Global Politics HL / SL
- History HL / SL
- Language and culture / SL
- Philosophy HL / SL

### Group 4: Sciences

- Biology HL / SL
- Chemistry HL / SL
- Computer Science / SL
- Environmental Systems & Societies SL
- Physics HL / SL

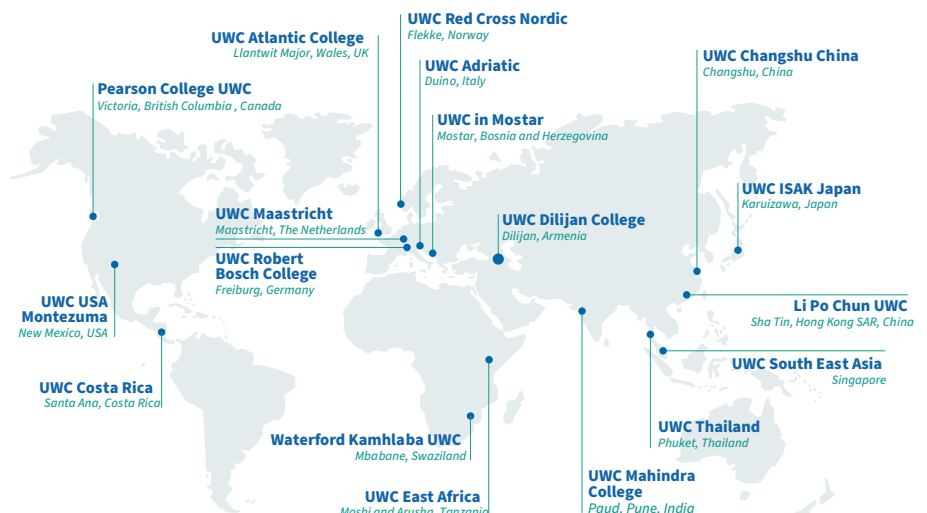
### Group 5: Mathematics

- Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches HL / SL
- Mathematics: Applications and Interpretation SL

### Group 6: The arts

- Theatre HL / SL
- Visual Arts HL / SL

THERE ARE 18 MEMBER SCHOOLS AROUND THE WORLD, WITH UWC DILIJAN BEING THE 14<sup>TH</sup> TO JOIN THE UWC MOVEMENT.



## UNIVERSITY COUNSELLING STATEMENTS & POLICIES

- Students are limited to 10 applications worldwide. Any application a university receives from a UWC Dilijan student is a genuine one.
- UWC Dilijan does not calculate a GPA or class rank for students.
- UWC Dilijan does not award academic honours or prizes.
- UWC Dilijan will report to universities any suspensions and expulsions that students incur during their two years at UWCD.
- UWC Dilijan does not provide any formal preparation for standardized tests such as the SAT, ACT, and TOEFL.

## SAFEGUARDING

Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility at UWC Dilijan. UWC Dilijan is a member of Child Protection Network and UWC Dilijan Safeguarding policy was approved by the Boarding School Association (BSA). UWC Dilijan Safeguarding policy was revised and approved by the UWC Dilijan Board on 24 August, 2018.

## STUDENT SUPPORT

At UWC Dilijan, every student is a full boarder. In the evenings and at weekends, boarders are in a "home away from home" environment with teachers and staff living in residences attached to the boarding houses. UWC Dilijan has a carefully designed student support system, that involves on campus medical facilities and doctor, school counsellors, mentor, residential parent and peer support.



# UNIVERSITY MATRICULATIONS FOR CLASSES OF 2022-2024

(Multiple number of enrolled students in parentheses)

## ARMENIA

American University of Armenia

## UNITED KINGDOM

London School of Economics  
Loughborough University  
University College London (2)  
University of Bath  
University of Manchester  
University of Sheffield  
University of St. Andrews  
University of Warwick

## MIDDLE EAST

Northwestern University Qatar  
New York University Abu Dhabi

## CANADA

Mc Gill University  
McMaster  
The University of British Columbia (6)  
University of Ottawa  
University of Toronto (8)  
York University

## EUROPE

Brussels School of Governance  
Katholieke Universiteit Leuven  
College Universitaire de Sciences Po (3)  
Bard College Berlin (2)  
Eindhoven University of Technology  
Erasmus University College (2)  
Erasmus University Rotterdam  
Leiden University  
Leiden University College The Hague (3)  
Maastricht University  
Technical University of Delft (2)  
University College Gronigen  
University College Utrecht  
Utrecht University College  
Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam  
CEU Cardinal Herrera  
ESADE

## UNITED STATES

Amherst College  
Arizona State University  
Babson College  
Bard College (2)  
Barnard College  
Bates College  
Brown University (6)  
Case Western Reserve University (14)  
Colby College (4)  
College of the Atlantic  
Colorado College  
Cornell University (9)  
Davidson College (2)  
Earlham College (5)  
Emerson College  
George Washington  
Hamilton College  
Ithaca College (4)  
Kalamazoo College  
Lake Forest College (18)  
Lewis & Clark College (4)  
Luther College (3)  
Macalester College (4)  
Methodist University  
Michigan State University (2)  
Middlebury College (6)  
Minerva University (2)  
Mount Holyoke College  
Northwestern University (6)  
Princeton University  
Ringling College of Art and Design  
SAE Institute  
Savannah College of Arts and Design  
Skidmore College  
St Lawrence University (3)  
St Olaf College (6)  
St. John's College  
St. Lawrence University  
St. Olaf College (9)  
Stanford University  
Trinity College (7)  
Tufts University  
University of Minnesota Twin Cities  
University of California San Diego  
University of California-Berkeley (3)  
University of Chicago (9)  
University of Denver  
University of Florida (4)  
University of Maryland-College Park  
University of Minnesota Twin Cities  
University of Notre Dame  
University of Oklahoma (10)  
University of Richmond  
University of Rochester (5)  
University of Southern California  
Wartburg College  
Washington & Lee University (2)  
Watburg College  
Wellesley College  
Whitman College (11)  
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

## INTERSHIPS AND GAP YEAR OPPORTUNITIES

Our alumni have the opportunities to do internships with partner organization of UWC Dilijan. Among them Aurora Humanitarian Initiative, Central Bank of Armenia, Just Dilijan It Summer camp and others.

Global Citizen Programme is among the Gap year programmes that is especially popular among UWCD alumni.

For any questions write to the UWC Dilijan Admissions team at [admissions@uwcdilijan.am](mailto:admissions@uwcdilijan.am)

UNITED WORLD COLLEGE DILIJAN  
(Dilijan International School of Armenia Foundation)

7 Getapnya Street,  
3903 Dilijan, Armenia  
+374 60 750 800  
[www.uwcdilijan.org](http://www.uwcdilijan.org)





A part of the global education movement that makes education a force to unite people, nations and cultures for peace and a sustainable future UWC Dilijan offers world-class, values-driven education anchored in the diversity of the student body and in the uniqueness of the location...

In a picturesque valley surrounded by lavishly green mountains Dilijan is a 16th century town in north eastern Armenia situated between two capitals-90 km from Yerevan, the capital of Armenia and 90km from the International Airport of Zvartnots in Yerevan. 200km from Tbilisi, the capital of Georgia...



In a safe and hospitable country with closely-knit family ties where you will feel at home and welcomed. It is located in the Caucasus region at the juncture of Asia and Europe. Armenia was the first country to adopt christianity. Modern Armenia is a secular state. It is famous for its hospitality, beautiful scenery and cuisine.

UWC Dilijan's campus extends over 88 hectares of sloping and wooded countryside, located along the Dilijan National Park. The College campus includes: academic building, boarding houses, medical centre, outdoor sports facilities (tennis courts, volley-ball, football field), sports complex, indoor swimming pool, dining hall, theatre, outdoor learning areas.



*What I am most grateful for about UWC Dilijan is that, while this school opens doors to some of the best universities in the world, it also highlights to us that education goes beyond an academic institution. Education is to be found in our mistakes, travels, human interactions, challenges undertaken, and through the process of reflection. I therefore cannot stress enough what a holistically empowering experience UWC Dilijan is.*

Victoria from Denmark, UWCD'16



**WORLD-CLASS, VALUES-DRIVEN EDUCATION ANCHORED IN THE DIVERSITY OF THE STUDENT BODY AND IN THE UNIQUENESS OF THE LOCATION**