

UWC Slovenia calls for applications for a two-year period high-school education programme in the school years 2026/2027 and 2027/2028 at the United World College schools with the International Baccalaureate program

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UWC Slovenia invites students (hereinafter referred to as "applicants") to apply for places at the following schools:

UWC Mostar, BiH
UWC Adriatic, Duino, Italy
UWC East Africa, Moshi, Tanzania
UWC Dilijan, Armenia

The application will take place digitally on the following link:

<https://apply.uwc.org/prog/>

The application deadline is Sunday, 4th January 2026.

Candidates shortlisted for the second round will receive invitations for interviews via e-mail by 11th January 2026. The exact date and location of the third round of the selection process will be communicated to the candidates in the interview invitation.

If a place is granted to the candidate, the student will be awarded a scholarship. The amount of the scholarship will be determined on the basis of family income.

Please send your questions regarding the selection process to the email address info@si.uwc.org, we will reply in the shortest possible time.

The content of the application

Before applying, please familiarize yourself with the mission, goals and commitments of United World Colleges (UWC). All information can be found at www.uwc.org and on the individual UWC school websites.

If you have any problems accessing and/or editing the online application form, please contact us at: info@si.uwc.org.

The application must include:

1. **A completed application form**, which can be found in the online application system
2. **A copy of the applicant's identity document** valid until at least the end of 2026
3. **A signed agreement by the legal representatives**, which can be found in the online application system
4. **Motivation letter in Slovene or English**
(Describe why you decided to apply, how you expect to benefit from the education at UWC and how you will contribute to the life and work of the school. Both the Slovene and English versions should be no longer than 500 words each.)
5. **One shorter essay**; the question will be stated in the online application form
6. **One shorter video answer**; the question will be stated in the online application form
7. **A certificate of completion of the first year of high school**, (if you are a third year student at the time of application also a certificate of completion of the second year of high school)
8. **A transcript of grades in the current school year**
9. **Three recommendations**; namely a recommendation from the head professor, a recommendation from any professor and an optional third recommendation (extra-curricular activities). The recommendations will be submitted via the online platform. It is the candidate's responsibility to ensure that their referees have access to the platform for the submission of recommendations.
10. **Evidence of school and extra-curricular activities and achievements**. The supporting documents should be no more than 5 years old.

Please note: all required documents must be submitted via the online form at the following link:
<https://apply.uwc.org/prog/>.

By applying, you are applying to be selected to attend the schools listed in the call for applications. It is **not possible** to apply to individual schools and/or schools not listed in the call through UWC Slovenia. If you wish to apply to an institution not listed in the call, please contact the UWC Global Selections Programme (<https://www.uwc.org/gsp>).

The selection process

The selection committee is made up of members of UWC Slovenia mandated by the UWC organization. The selection process takes place in three stages:

- **First stage: written application**; candidates are selected on the basis of their written applications and shortlisted for the second round of selections
- **Second stage: interview (online) with an alumnus of the UWC schools**. Candidates are selected on the basis of the interviews and shortlisted for the third round of selections
- **Third stage: online interview with the selections committee**; the committee will rank the candidates according to the selection criteria (links for the online selections will be provided beforehand)*

*We reserve the right to an additional round of interviews if necessary

Nominations and allocation of scholarships

Selected candidates will be allocated places based on their ranking in the interviews and their preferences.

The places with the highest scholarship opportunities (or the lowest fees) are generally offered to economically weaker applicants. **Please note that the financial situation of the family is NOT a selection criterion.**

If a place is refused, it is offered to the next ranked candidate.

After the selection process, UWC Slovenia will nominate the selected candidate to the selected college for confirmation. The colleges usually accept the nomination but they reserve the right to the final decision; this means that the candidate is awarded a spot after the confirmation from the college.

If we reach the conclusion that there is no suitable candidate for a given spot among the applicants, we reserve the right to keep the place unawarded.

Applicants who have not been successful will be informed by email after the selection process has been completed.

Selection criteria and general conditions

In line with the UWC guidelines, the selection committee considers the following five key content criteria in their selection process:

- intellectual curiosity,
- proactivity,
- independence, maturity and social competence,
- persistence, responsibility and personal integrity,
- identification with the UWC values.

General conditions:

- enrollment into second or third year of highschool in the school year 2025/2026 in the Republic of Slovenia (RS) or an equivalent programme abroad,
- **at least 16 years of age and at most 18 years of age at the time of enrollment** - see *conditions for the individual colleges*
- at least a **grade 4 average in the first year of high school** with *at least a grade 4 average in two of the following three subjects: Slovene, English, mathematics,**** (if the candidate is enrolled in their third year of high school at the time of application, also at least a grade 4 average in the second year of high school)
- **a transcript of the current school year grades,**
- **a solid knowledge of English,**
- **slovenian nationality or residence permit in RS or refugee status in RS.**

***in exceptional cases (death in the family, injury, illness, social situation, elite athlete, elite artist) and with prior explanation, we reserve the right to modify the conditions for school performance

Offered places

UWC Mostar - up to fully funded (Dare to Dream scholarship)

School:	UWC Mostar
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Country:	Bosnia and Herzegovina
Minimum age at the time of enrollment:	born no later than 31.12.2010
Maximum age at the time of enrollment:	born no earlier than 01.01.2008

UWC Adriatic - Partially Funded (50%)

School:	UWC Adriatic
Country:	Italy
Minimum age at the time of enrollment:	born no later than 31.12.2010
Maximum age at the time of enrollment:	born no earlier than 01.01.2008

UWC East Africa, Moshi campus - up to fully funded

School:	UWC East Africa
Country:	Tanzania
Minimum age at the time of enrollment:	born no later than 31.12.2010
Maximum age at the time of enrollment:	born no earlier than 01.01.2008

UWC Dilijan - up to fully funded

School:	UWC Dilijan
Country:	Armenia
Minimum age at the time of enrollment:	born no later than 31.12.2010
Maximum age at the time of enrollment:	born no earlier than 01.01.2008

*In case of additional financial need, alternative support and/or accommodations can be considered

Summary:

The application is to be completed using the following link: <https://apply.uwc.org/prog/>.

Application deadline: 4th January 2026.

Any questions regarding the application can be sent to: info@si.uwc.org.

Applications received after 00:01 on 5th January 2026 will not be considered.

Best regards and much success,
Aša Hlebec, chair of UWC Slovenia