**Student Application Form**

**for UWC Scholarships**

**Montenegro, 2024**

**Before you apply**

The United World Colleges (UWC) offer a unique and transformative educational experience to intellectually capable and globally-minded students from diverse backgrounds. Founded on the ideals of peace and international understanding, UWC comprises a network of 18 boarding schools and colleges across four continents.

UWC goes beyond traditional classroom learning, fostering an inspiring academic environment enriched by a strong emphasis on community engagement, personal growth, and service. While academic excellence is valued, UWC emphasizes the development of well-rounded individuals who are prepared to become responsible global citizens and leaders.

UWC students come from over 100 nationalities, creating a vibrant and diverse learning environment that reflects the richness of the world. This unique experience fosters intercultural understanding, cooperation, and respect, preparing students to thrive in a globalized society.

At UWC, students pursue the internationally recognized IB Diploma, a well-respected program that equips students with the knowledge and skills necessary for success at top universities worldwide.

Further information can be found at the UWC website [www.uwc.org](http://www.uwc.org)

**Application Process:**

To be considered for a UWC scholarship, please carefully review the eligibility criteria and application details. We encourage you to familiarize yourself with UWC’s core values and mission before applying.

**Selection Process:**

Selection for UWC scholarships is based on a comprehensive review of academic achievement, commitment to UWC values, personal qualities, and potential to contribute to the UWC community. The process involves reviewing application materials and participating in an interview.

**Please note that the decisions of the UWC selection committee are recommendations to the Heads of United World Colleges, not firm offers of places.** This means that while the committee carefully selects candidates based on their qualifications and suitability for UWC, the final decision regarding placement rests with the individual college.

**The Montenegrin National Committee:**

The Montenegrin National Committee acts as a representative of UWC in Montenegro, providing information and support to prospective applicants throughout the application process.

We encourage all eligible and motivated students from Montenegro to consider applying for a UWC scholarship. By joining the global community, students will embark on a life-changing journey that will prepare you to make a positive impact on the world.

**SECTION A Applicant information**

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| Last name |  |  | Photograph |
| First name(s) |  |  |  |
| Date of birth  |  |  |
| Gender | Female [ ]  | Male [ ]  |  |
| Citizenship(s) |  |  |
| Home language(s) |  |  |
| Other language(s) |  |  |  |
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| Home address |  |  |  |
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| Current school |  |
| Address |  |
| Website |  |
| Telephone no. |  |
| E-mail |  |
| School head |  |

If you have a preference between the two offered colleges, you may indicate it below using the dropdown menu[[1]](#footnote-1).

Choose an item.

**SECTION B Short questions**

*(to be completed by applicant)*

Please note that each question comes with a suggested word limit to ensure clear, focused responses. While we encourage you to fully express yourself, adhering to the limits allows us to efficiently review all applications and fairly evaluate each candidate.

1. What would you like to study at university or which career would you like to pursue and why? **How does your desired field of study/career align with UWC values, and how do you believe UWC can contribute to your future aspirations? *(word limit: 200)***

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2. **Describe up to 5 extracurricular activities (including leadership positions or responsibilities) that showcase your commitment to UWC values (peacebuilding, intercultural understanding, service). Briefly explain your contributions and impact in each.** ***(word limit: 150 per activity)***

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3. Elaborate on a specific skill developed through an extracurricular activity described above that demonstrates your alignment with UWC values. Provide a concrete example of its application. ***(word limit: 150)***

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4. **Describe a service activity you participated in, highlighting the beneficiaries and your impact on their lives. How does this experience connect to your understanding of global citizenship? *(word limit: 150)***

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5. Briefly d**escribe a challenge you faced and how you overcame it. What did you learn from this experience? *(word limit: 150)***

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6. **Share any special interests, achievements, or experiences that demonstrate your personal growth, unique talents, or potential contribution to the UWC community, aligning with the UWC values. *(word limit: 150)***

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7. **If you could meet any historical or contemporary figure, who would it be and why? What would you discuss? *(word limit: 200)***

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8. **Imagine you are organizing a project to address a global issue. What issue would you focus on, and how would you approach it? *(word limit: 200)***

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**9. Very briefly, share one UWC value that resonates with you and how you can contribute to the UWC community through this value. *(word limit: 50)***

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**SECTION C Essay**

*(to be completed by applicant)*

In no more than 500 words, please explain why joining a United World College resonates with you and how it aligns with your aspirations. Describe what unique contributions you would make to the diverse UWC community and what you hope to gain from this experience, both personally and academically. Also, share insights into your background and family circumstances, if comfortable, and briefly describe any past interactions with people from different cultures, how they shaped your worldview, and your desire to engage further.

Remember, your essay is an opportunity to showcase your authentic self, your aspirations, and your potential to contribute to the UWC community and beyond.

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**SECTION D Parental Information and Consent**

*(to be completed by applicant’s parents or legal guardians)*

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| Full name of **mother** or legal guardian\*: |  |
| Occupation: |  |
| Citizenship: |  |
| Address: |  |
| E-mail: |  |
| Telephone no. |  |

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| Full name of **father** or legal guardian\*: |  |
| Occupation: |  |
| Citizenship: |  |
| Address: |  |
| E-mail: |  |
| Telephone no. |  |

If there is any additional information about your child’s background, family circumstances, or experiences that you believe would be helpful for the UWC National Committee to consider in their application, please share it below.

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**Statement of Consent:**

We, the undersigned parent(s)/legal guardian(s) of [Applicant Name], have read and understood the information provided in this application form and the commitment involved in attending a United World College. We fully support his/her application and, if successful, undertake to ensure their adherence to the rules, regulations, and guidelines of the chosen college. We acknowledge the college's right to enforce disciplinary measures for violations. Furthermore, while our son/daughter/ward is in residence at a United World College, we authorise the College to act as Guardian in our place for decisions involving his/her personal care and welfare.

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| Signature of the mother/guardian |  | Signature of the father/guardian |
| Date: |  | Date: |

**SECTION E Teacher reference form 1**

*(to be completed by a teacher or the head of applicant’s current school)*

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| Name of the applicant: |  |
| How long have you known the applicant? |  |

We would be grateful if you would write a brief assessment of the applicant’s suitability for attending one of the United World Colleges, a global network offering a transformative education to diverse students, fostering peace and sustainability. While strong academics matter, UWC embraces a holistic approach with community engagement, international affairs, and personal growth.

To help us select the best candidates, we value your honest assessment of the applicant’s:

* **Academic performance and motivation** (eagerness to learn, study habits, achievements);
* **Personal qualities** (maturity, responsibility, adaptability, communication, collaboration, and handling challenges);
* **Potential for growth** (initiative, leadership, resilience, and openness to new experiences).

**Please limit your reference to a maximum of 300 words to help us efficiently review all applications.**

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| Name and Surname: |  |
| Position: |  |
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**SECTION E Teacher reference form 2**

*(to be completed by a teacher or the head of applicant’s current school)*

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| Name of the applicant: |  |
| How long have you known the applicant? |  |

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1. Please note that expressing a preference does not guarantee placement in your chosen college. The selection process prioritizes matching candidates with the best fit for their individual needs and the available placements at each college. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)