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UWC Mission and School Concept

The United World College movement makes education a force to unite people, nations and cultures for peace and a sustainable future.

UWC Robert Bosch College is a two-year pre-university college and boarding school for students from all around the world. The project was initiated and implemented by the Deutsche Stiftung UWC and Robert Bosch Stiftung on the occasion of Robert Bosch's 150th birthday. The campus was constructed on the site of a former Carthusian monastery in Freiburg. The school officially opened in September 2014 and our first generation of students graduated successfully in May 2016.

All 18 United World Colleges are based on a unique educational concept first developed by co-founder and teacher Kurt Hahn: We welcome students from a deliberately diverse range of backgrounds and experiences – a cross section of socio-economic backgrounds, cultures, races, religions and nationalities. Common to all 18 UWCs in Europe, Asia, Africa and America, students at UWC Robert Bosch College are confronted with central issues of humanity: intercultural understanding, peace and sustainable development.

UWC Robert Bosch College places a particular emphasis on environmental issues. A key question that our students explore is how technology can contribute to sustainable, ecological development and peace.

Approximately 200 students aged between 16 and 19 from around 90 different nationalities live and study together for two years. They complete the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IB). The language of instruction is English. Living and learning together on a daily basis, students will get to understand themselves in a global context. Community service and engagement are not only mandated for the completion of the IB program, but also play a vital role in college life.

Students



205

students

99

nationalities

110

full scholarships

94

partial scholarships

UWC RBC ACADEMIC PROFILE

GLOBAL AFFAIRS

Robert Bosch College has a weekly lecture/discussion series on global and current issues led by guest speakers and/or UWC students. Subjects in 2018-19 included: The Aids Epidemic in Southern Africa, Agroforestry, Undocumented Cross-Mediterranean Migration, Changing Political Landscapes and many more. Guest speakers included renowned expert on AIDS in Southern Africa Dr. Alan Whiteside, Holocaust Survivor and Musician Esther Bejarano, and CIO at Wirtschaftswoche Lea Steinacker.

CREATIVITY ACTION SERVICE (CAS)

While generally a core requirement of the IB diploma, CAS activities are viewed as central to the success of UWC RBC's community. A student's participation, engagement and initiative in activities is considered equally as valuable as time put into academics. UWC students therefore far exceed the minimum IB requirement of 150 hours of extracurricular activities. Activities include working with multicultural groups in local kindergartens, assisting elderly and people with disabilities, working in the colleges own organic garden alongside local volunteers, an A-Capella group, Debate Club, Model UN, Football/Soccer, Cricket, Outdoor leadership, Film Making, Yoga and dancing.

PROJECT WEEK

Once per term, UWC RBC supports students in designing, planning and carrying out off campus projects for six days. Students are challenged to come up with meaningful projects. Project week is a way of promoting the ideals and mission of the UWC movement hands-on. Projects allow students to exercise their leadership skills in the areas of humanitarian service, creative expression and physical challenge. All projects contain clear objectives, an element of challenge, clear learning outcomes and at least one element related to CAS. Past projects included a project in Brussels cooking food for homeless people, an environmental project centered on building a floating raft out of PET bottles, a biking trip across the Alps and a trip to Berlin focused on exploring Jewish history in Germany.

SPORTS AND OUTDOOR PROGRAMS

Our regular sports and outdoor program includes a Rugby Club, a Soccer Club, Ultimate and an Edible Campus Group. Moreover, climbing and hiking activities are offered throughout the year and during special events. The second-year students participate in an outdoor program at the start of the school year and first year students have their outdoor weekend at the end of the academic year. All students are invited to participate in snow day early in the second term.

GAP YEARS

UWC Robert Bosch College supports students interested in pursuing GAP year options. Our graduates have embarked on a variety of GAP year programs, such as Semester at Sea, Global Citizen Year, work in a Kindergarden in Norway, work as an au-pair in Germany, act as assistants at other UWCs and the German government sponsored "kulturweit" service in Peru, Togo and Georgia. Students have been awarded scholarships to enable them to participate in this project and in 2017 one of our students was selected as the recipient of the Nema Conrad scholarship awarded by the Winterline Global Skills Program.

2018-2019 Highlights

UWC RBC Graduate is awarded a Morehead Cain Scholarship.

UWC RBC Graduate Elizabeth Gimba uses GoMakeADifference funding to run a project providing female hygiene products to women living on the streets of Nairobi, Kenya.

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IB DIPLOMA COURSES AND CURRICULUM

Unless otherwise noted, courses are offered at either higher or standard level. Students generally take 6 subjects (3 HL, 3 SL), study Theory of Knowledge, submit an Extended Essay and participate in CAS. If German is not among the 6 subjects chosen, students can take German as a conversation class.

1	Language A: Language and Literature (taught) Language A: Literature as school supported self-taught (students also take a world literature course to complement self-study)	English, French, German, Spanish, Arabic various
2	Language B or ab initio	English, French, German
3	Individuals and Societies	Economics, Environmental Systems and Societies (SL), Geography, History, Social and Cultural Anthropology, Political Thought
4	Experimental Sciences	Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Systems and Societies (SL), Physics
5	Mathematics	Mathematics Applications and Interpretations; Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches
6	The Arts	Theatre; Visual Arts

IB DIPLOMA RESULTS 2019

Our second generation of students who graduated in May 2018 achieved very commendable results in the IB exams. A total of 98 students sat for all exams in May 2019.

The average score of those awarded a diploma was

35.3

40-45	35-39	30-34	24-29	< 24
24.0%	22.9%	34.4%	14.6%	4.1%

STANDARD TEST RESULTS

In recent years, and particularly this year, our students have had less access to SAT/SAT Subject and ACT tests because of fewer test dates abroad, fewer sites offering the test, score cancellations, technology difficulties, and higher fees. We ask that all higher education institutions take this into account when evaluating our students' applications. *These are averages for students graduating 2019 for the SAT.*

SAT Reading/Writing	SAT Math	SAT Composite
557	629	1186

CURRICULUM AND RESULTS NOTES AND HIGHLIGHTS

*All students need to take 2 Languages, 1 Science, 1 Math and 1 Social Science course
To fulfill state requirements, German students have to follow a more strictly defined curriculum
Typically, students at UWCs score higher on the IB diploma than the international average*

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University application and enrollment information for UWC Robert Bosch College

The students of our first four graduating classes have enrolled or deferred admission due to gap years at the following colleges and universities:

EUROPE

Amsterdam University College, NL
 Charles University Prague, CZ
 IE University, Spain
 Sciences Po, France
 U3M, Spain
 Università Bocconi, Italy
 University of
 Amsterdam, NL
 University of Toulouse, France
 University of Utrecht, NL

GERMANY*

Albert-Ludwigs-University, Freiburg
 Bard College Berlin, Berlin
 Carl-Benz-School at KIT, Karlsruhe
 Free University, Berlin
 Hochschule Trier, Birkenfeld
 Humboldt-University, Berlin
 Jacobs University, Bremen
 Nordakademie, Elmshorn
 Ruprecht-Karls-University, Heidelberg
 University Witten-Herdecke
 Westfälische Wilhelms University,
 Münster

UK

Imperial College London
 King's College London
 London School of Economics
 University of Cambridge
 University of Edinburgh
 University of Glasgow
 University of Liverpool
 University of Newcastle
 University of Warwick

CANADA

McGill University
 Quest University
 Simon Fraser University
 Trent University
 University of British Columbia
 University of Guelph

REST OF THE WORLD

Hong Kong University of Sci. & T.
 Keio University, Japan
 NYU Abu Dhabi, UAE
 NYU Shanghai, China
 University of Auckland, New Zealand
 University of Hong Kong
 Waseda University, Japan
 Yale-NUS, Singapore

USA

Bennington College
 Brandeis University
 Brown University
 Case Western Reserve
 Colby College
 College of Idaho
 College of the Atlantic
 Colorado College
 Columbia University
 Concordia College, Moorhead
 Davidson College
 Duke University
 Earlham College
 Georgetown University
 Gettysburg College
 Harvard University
 Kenyon College

Lake Forest
 Lewis & Clark College
 Luther College
 Macalester College
 Methodist University
 Middlebury College
 Minerva Schools at KGI
 Mount Holyoke College
 Northwestern University
 Occidental College
 Pomona College
 Princeton University
 Randolph-Macon College
 Ringling College of Art and Design
 Scripps College
 Skidmore College
 St. John's College
 St. Lawrence University
 St. Olaf College
 Stanford University
 Trinity College (Conn.)
 Tufts University
 University of Chicago
 University of Florida
 University of Maine
 University of North Carolina
 University of Oklahoma
 University of Richmond
 University of Rochester
 University of Virginia
 Wartburg College
 Washington and Lee University
 Wellesley College
 Wheaton College
 Whitman College
 Yale University

*applications to German public universities are often still pending until IB diplomas are available in print form.

UNIVERSITY ADVISING POLICIES

Students are limited to ten applications worldwide

UWC RBC does not compute GPA and does not rank students

Predicted grades and recommendations are kept confidential