

## UWC Mission

UWC makes education a force to unite people, nations and cultures for peace and a sustainable future.

## UWC Goal

We educate individuals to embrace challenge and take responsibility to make a positive difference in the world.

## Transformative education

We pride ourselves on our pioneering and distinctive educational model; the way students learn, interact with one another and take part in community activities present life-changing tests and personal discovery, which mark the beginning of a lifelong journey. This is achieved through the Atlantic Diploma.

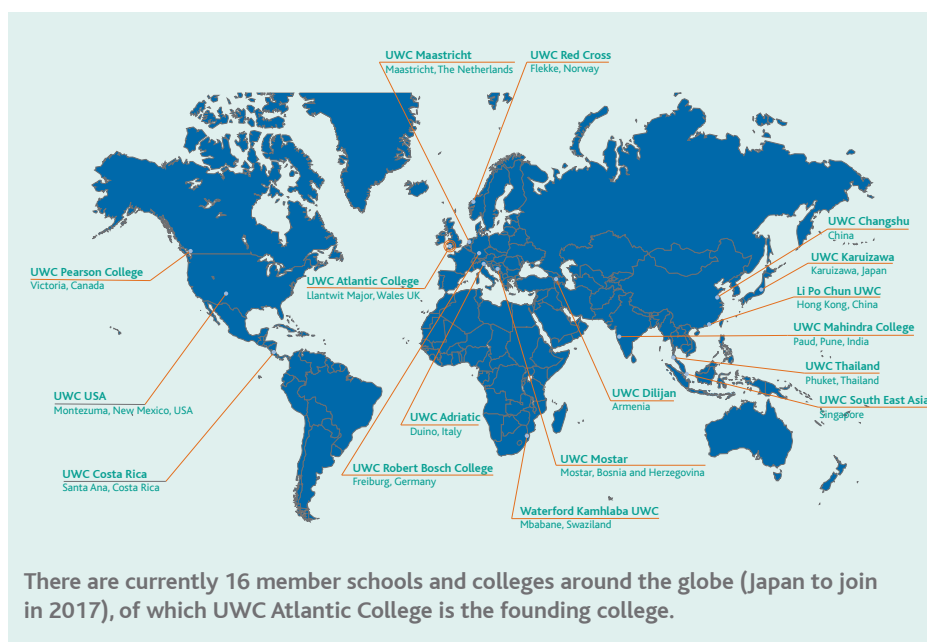
## History

The college first opened in 1962 and in 1971 became the first college in the world to adopt the International Baccalaureate as its sole examination qualification.

Lord Mountbatten, HRH Prince Charles of Wales, Her Majesty Queen Noor of Jordan and Nelson Mandela have all been Presidents or Honorary Presidents of UWC.

## Location and Campus

Located in the 12th Century St Donat's Castle in South Wales, UWC Atlantic College is about three hours from London and 40mins from Cardiff. Overlooking the Bristol Channel, St Donat's Castle Estate has some 60 hectares, including woodland, the college farm and gardens. The campus includes eight boarding houses, classroom facilities, arts centre, a church, outdoor and indoor pool, gym, outdoor and seafront facilities.



## Students

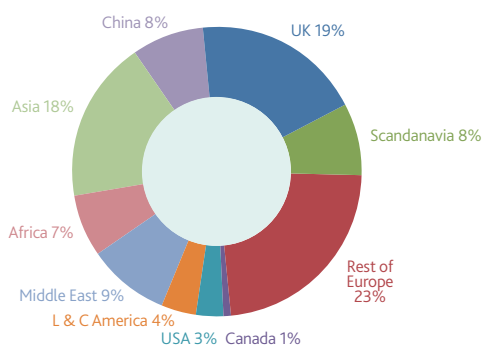
Students from over **90 nationalities** live and work together in a vibrant community of learners. All students live on campus in houses of approx. 45 with separate male and female corridors. Each students dorm generally represents four world regions. Each house has a day room with a kitchen, a quiet room for study and communal shower rooms.

Students studying the Atlantic pre-Diploma have separate accommodation in Madiba House near the seafront.

## Student body 2016

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## Country of Origin



## Selection Process

The diversity of the student body depends on our ability to reach out across the globe to attract and encourage new students from vastly differing environments, and from different political, religious, socio-economic and racial backgrounds. This is done through National Committees in 145 countries world-wide (or through direct applications).

## Scholars

95 students at the college in 2016/17 are supported directly by the college's fundraising efforts. Students are selected on merit and potential to have a positive impact on the local and global community. Over 55% of students receive some form of financial support.

## Awards and Honours

UWC Atlantic College does not give individual awards in academics, activities, service or other elements of the learning programme. This intentional, philosophical decision was made in order to promote an overall stronger community as well as a spirit of solidarity on campus amongst students. The only awards given are the Anita Roddick Award and the Harvard Book Prize.



## Curriculum

### The Atlantic pre-Diploma

Suitable for 15-16 year olds, this one year IGCSE (International General Certificate of Secondary Education) course prepares students for pre-university study at both IB or A level, or international equivalent. It includes six IGCSE subjects and an extra-curricular programme of outdoor activities: Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award and environmental education, designed to introduce students to the UWC ethos and values. Students are assessed on their English/Mathematics ability prior to arrival and given additional English lessons if required. At the end of the course students sit six IGCSE examinations in their chosen subjects.

### The Atlantic Diploma

This two-year course for 16 - 18 year olds has two parts: the International Baccalaureate and a parallel co-curricular programme of experiential learning that focuses on key aspects of peace, social justice and a sustainable future.

Students follow a broad and balanced curriculum across eleven faculties. Seven faculties provide the disciplinary framework for the International Baccalaureate. Students choose six academic subjects, three at Higher and three at Standard Level, plus a seventh, Theory of Knowledge, which helps build interdisciplinary links in the students' minds. A further four faculties are experiential in nature and offer in-depth understanding and a practical engagement with the college's vision and values. The four experiential faculties are: Outdoor, Social Justice, Global and Environmental.

## Global

Global Faculty students are part of a programme geared towards approaching global issues and promoting cultural diversity. Students are trained in the essential skills to involve the student body, the local community and a wider global audience with issues of global concern. Examples of service sessions include working with local schools, supporting a History and Arts Centre, engaging with disadvantaged youth through grassroots theatre and creating material for a weekly news show on YouTube. Students organise a variety of conferences, related to Peace, Critical Engagement, the Middle East and the United Nations.

## Environmental

We take a challenging and interactive approach to learning that inspires and equips students to work towards a more sustainable future. Students help cultivate a large kitchen garden on the campus and maintain the college farm and the heritage coastline. Additionally, students have the opportunity to specialize in land or sea-based activities. These include alternative technology projects, beekeeping, lambing, recycling, species-monitoring, strengthening relations with the local community, diving, monitoring aquatic biodiversity and engaging in marine environmental-awareness campaigns. The Sustainability Conference is led by students from the Faculty.

## Social Justice

Students help make a difference to the lives of others and do so with a sense of empathy for the disadvantaged and a respect for human rights and personal dignity. This includes working with the elderly, refugees, children from disadvantaged home backgrounds and children and adults with mental and physical disabilities. Students provide therapy through music and the arts. Students participate in weekly activities including Amnesty International, United World Schools, Voluntary Services Overseas, Fair Trade and Make Poverty History. The students host an annual three-day conference in September; invited guests, staff and students engage in interactive dialogue which is intended to act as a catalyst for student activity throughout their time at UWC Atlantic College and beyond.

## Outdoor

The outdoor activities reflect the ideals of Kurt Hahn through personal challenge, service to others, initiative leadership and teamwork. Students take part in a diverse and intensive programme based around the sea and mountains. Activities include lifeguarding, kayaking, surfing, sailing, power boating, swimming, mountain walking, navigation, emergency first aid and climbing. All students take part in camping along with a range of outdoor experiences during Diploma Periods.

## Diploma Periods

Diploma Periods throughout the academic year include Faculty led Conferences, outdoor camps and Project Periods. Project Periods are student and Faculty co-planned UK-based projects in smaller groups. Most Diploma Periods exemplify the different aspects of the college mission but can also include an educational course or adventure expedition. Whether it is challenging oneself, promoting sustainability, increasing intercultural understanding and pursuing peace or advocating social justice, it is all possible during Diploma Periods.

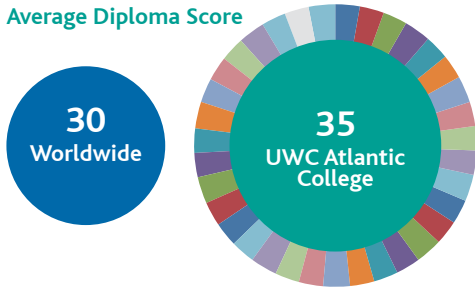


## IB Diploma Results 2016

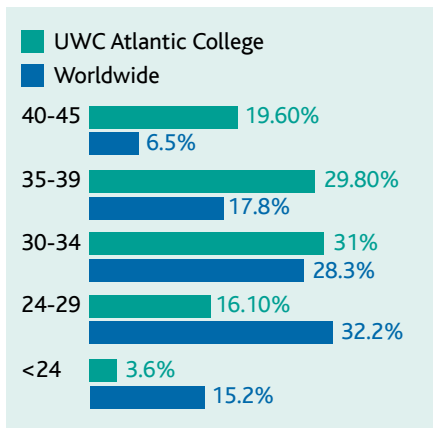
### Pass Rate



### Average Diploma Score



### Diploma Score Comparison



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UWC Atlantic College students received a bilingual diploma

## Gap Year

UWC Atlantic College arranges a range of exciting and enriching gap year opportunities and projects based in the UK, Uganda, Nepal, Thailand and the USA. There are many opportunities for our graduates to work on ecology projects or with NGOs focusing on human rights and education.



Moroccan Summer Project

Thank you to staff and students for the photographs

## IB Course Listing for the Class of 2016

Courses are offered at both Higher and Standard Level unless marked with \* for SL only.

### 1. Language A

Taught: English Literature, English Language and Literature, Danish, French, German, Norwegian, Russian, Italian and Spanish Self-Taught\*: the opportunity exists for students to study a range of mother tongue languages as a self-taught option

### 2. Language B or ab initio

English B, French B, French ab initio\*, German B, Spanish B, Spanish ab initio\*, Arabic ab initio\* and Mandarin ab initio\*

### 3. Individuals and Societies

Economics, Geography, Global Politics, History, Social and Cultural Anthropology, Environmental Systems and Societies\*, World Religions\*

### 4. Experimental Sciences

Biology, Chemistry, Sustainable Design Technology, Physics, Environmental Systems and Societies\*

### 5. Mathematics

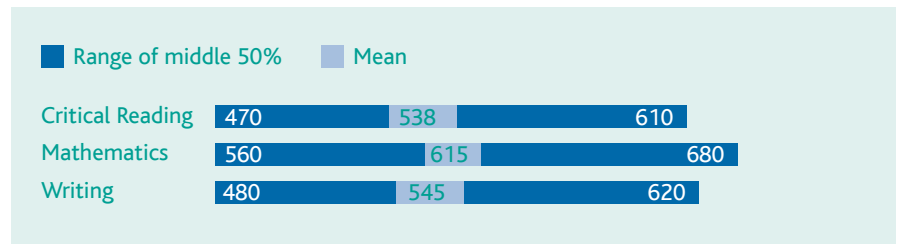
Higher Level Mathematics, Further Level Mathematics (HL only), Standard Level Mathematics, Mathematical Studies\*

### 6. Arts and Electives

Music, Visual Arts

## SAT Scores

The SAT was administered to 68 members of the class of 2016. All scores include also those from non-native speakers of English. While UWC Atlantic College is a SAT test centre, we do not provide SAT tutoring to students.



## University Guidance Policies

UWC Atlantic College does not provide transcripts or recommendations to students. All recommendations are kept confidential.

Students are limited to ten applications worldwide or eight, if applying only to US universities. We do not compute GPA or rank students.

## Destinations of Class 2016

82% of graduates will attend university, with the rest completing a gap year or national service. See back page for a listing of university acceptances worldwide.



## University Acceptances of UWC Atlantic College Graduates 2016

### Asia/Mid East

Georgetown University, Qatar  
Northwestern University, Qatar  
University of Chulalonga, Thailand  
Osaka University, Japan

### Canada

University of Alberta  
Bishops University  
Carleton University  
Capilano University  
Concordia University  
McGill University  
McMaster University  
Montreal Polytec  
Mt Allison University  
University of Ottawa  
Queens University  
Quest University  
Saskatchewan University  
Simon Fraser University  
University of Toronto  
Trent University  
University of British Columbia  
Waterloo University  
University of Western Ontario  
York University

### Europe

Science Po, FRA  
American University of Paris, FRA  
University College Utrecht, NL  
Amsterdam University College, NL  
University College Maastricht, NL  
The Hague University, NL  
Leiden University, NL  
Groningen University, NL  
TU Eindhoven, NL  
University of Rotterdam, NL  
IE University, ESP  
UEM, ESP  
EHL, Switzerland  
IPEK, Turkey

### United Kingdom

University of Aberdeen  
University of Bangor  
University of Bath  
University of Birmingham  
University of Bournemouth

### United Kingdom cont'd

University of Brighton  
University of Bristol  
Brunel University  
University of Cambridge  
University of Cardiff  
Coventry University  
Dundee University  
University of Edinburgh  
Edinburgh Napier University  
University of Essex  
University of Exeter  
University of Falmouth  
University of Glasgow  
Goldsmiths University  
Imperial University  
University of Kent  
King's College  
Kingston University  
University of Leeds  
University of Leicester  
University of Liverpool  
University of Loughborough  
London School of Economics  
University of Manchester  
Manchester Met  
University of Middlesex  
University of Newcastle  
University of Nottingham  
University of Oxford  
Oxford Brooks  
University of Plymouth  
Queen Mary University  
Regents University  
Roehampton University  
Royal Holloway University  
University of Sheffield  
SOAS  
University of South Solent  
University of Southampton  
University of St Andrews  
University of Stirling  
University of Surrey  
Teesside University  
University College London  
University of East Anglia  
University of the Arts London  
University of Warwick  
University of Winchester

### USA

Allegheny College  
American University  
Amherst College  
Barnard College  
Bates College  
Bennington College  
Boston University  
Brown University  
Carleton College  
Case West Reserve University  
Clark University  
Claremont McKenna College  
Colby College  
College of the Atlantic  
Colorado College  
Columbia University  
Connecticut College  
Cornell University  
Dartmouth College  
Davidson College  
Duke University  
Earlham College  
Gettysburg College  
Georgetown University  
Harvard University  
Illinois University  
Kalamazoo College  
Kenyon College  
Lake Forest College  
LeHigh University  
Luther College  
Macalester College  
Methodist College  
Miami University  
Middlebury College  
MIT  
Michigan University  
Minerva  
Mississippi State University  
New Hampshire  
NYU Abu Dhabi  
U. of North Carolina Chapel Hill  
Northeastern University  
Oklahoma University  
Pomona College  
Pratt Institute  
Princeton University  
Rice University  
Richmond University

### USA cont'd

Ringling University  
University of Rochester  
San Francisco Art Institute  
Skidmore College  
Smith College  
Saint Olaf College  
St Johns College, MD  
St Lawrence University  
St Michael's College  
Syracuse University  
UC Davis  
UC Irvine  
UC Santa Barbra  
UC Berkley  
UC San Diego  
UC Riverside  
University of Southern California  
Union College  
University of Virginia  
Vanderbilt University  
Wartburg College  
Wellesley College  
Wesleyan University  
Westminster College  
Whitman College  
Williams College  
Yale NUS  
Yale University

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### Accreditation and Membership

IB World School  
Cambridge International Examinations  
Boarding School Association  
The Society of Heads  
ISC (Independent Schools' Council)  
WISC (Welsh Independent Schools' Council)  
Ashoka Changemaker Schools  
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