

Welcome to the United World College Program!

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in attending a United World College (UWC). By completing this application, you are taking the first step in a process that will allow us to learn more about you, your achievements, and your future goals.

UWCs deliver a challenging and transformative educational experience to a diverse cross section of students, inspiring them to create a more peaceful and sustainable future. The UWC movement has 18 schools across four continents all sharing the same mission. **The two years spent at the UWC are equivalent to SSS2 and SSS3 in the West African educational system.** Students are expected to pass the International Baccalaureate examination at the end of the program.

This is not a university studies program.

Student Selection Process:

Each year, through the National Committee (a selected board of graduates of the UWC program), administrators at the UWC International Office offer scholarships for Sierra Leonean students. The National Committee oversees the application and interview process and identifies promising candidates using an established evaluation process. The administrators at the UWC International Office make the final admission decision and determine the final scholarship amounts. Travel costs and an allowance may or may not be included.

Places at UWCs are offered on a very competitive basis. The National Committee values diversity and considers this during our selection process. Excellent BECE results and school report cards are necessary, but not sufficient to be shortlisted, nominated, or admitted by the UWC schools.

Eligibility:

To be eligible to apply for enrollment in 2022, you must:

- Be a Sierra Leonean citizen residing and studying in Sierra Leone at the time of the application
- Be 16, 17 or 18 years old on September 1, 2022
- Be enrolled in SSS2 or SSS3 on February 1, 2022
- Have achieved a maximum aggregate of 14 with a credit in Math and English in the BECE. For GCSE, a minimum aggregate of 40 (sum of best 6 subjects) with 5 or above in Math and English

Application Process:

1. Read about the UWC program and the Sierra Leone UWC National Committee at <http://www.sl.uwc.org/>
2. Read about the [International Baccalaureate examination](http://www.ibo.org/about-the-ib/) at www.ibo.org/about-the-ib/

To Apply:

Visit <https://www.sl.uwc.org/apply>

IF you encounter difficulties applying online, email your completed application to admissions@sl.uwc.org

If you are submitting your application by email, it **MUST** be submitted as **one file** in PDF format

Incomplete applications will not be evaluated. Your final application must include:

1. Personal information sections A through E (3 pages)
2. A copy of your two most recent school report cards
3. A copy of your BECE or GCSE examination results

Important Dates:

1. January 7th, 2022: Application process closes at 5pm GMT. Plan to submit your application early. **Late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**
2. Shortlisted candidates will be notified by end of January 2022
3. Finalist interviews will be conducted in February 2022.

If you do not receive an email or a phone call by January 31st, 2022, this means that your application was unsuccessful. If you are still eligible, please consider re-applying next year.

A. PERSONAL DATA

Instructions: Please write clearly in black or blue ink using only CAPITAL LETTERS

Surname (Family Name): _____

First and Middle Names: _____

Gender: Female Male Birth Date: (Day)____/(Month)____/(Year)_____

Email: _____

Mobile Phone 1: _____ Mobile Phone 2: _____

Home Address: _____

Mailing Address (to receive posted mail if different from home address): _____

How did you **first** learn about the United World Colleges? (Please select only **one**)

- Teacher or principal
- Graduate of the program
- Other (please specify title/job)

B. ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Secondary school attended and location: _____

Form Currently Enrolled In: SSS2 SSS3

Please enter your BECE or GCSE result:

	BECE Aggregate/ GCSE Total Points	Math score	English score
<input type="radio"/> BECE	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="radio"/> GCSE	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

C. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Describe at least two activities you've participated in within the past two years that have had a positive impact on students in your school or people in your community. What was your role and how did the activities positively affect others? [350 words max]



D. ESSAY QUESTION 1

Select **two** of the following UWC values and describe a time in your life when you exhibited each value you selected and what impact you had on others: 1) International and intercultural understanding; 2) Celebration of differences; 3) Personal responsibility and integrity; 4) Mutual responsibility and respect; 4) Compassion and service; 5) Respect for the environment; 6) A sense of idealism; 7) Personal challenge; 8) Action and leading by example

Your response to this question should be ONE essay that is 500 words max]

E. ESSAY QUESTION 2

Why are you interested in attending a UWC school/college and what major challenge do you anticipate experiencing in UWC. Discuss how you would you overcome this challenge?

[Your response should be 500 words max]



F. OTHER

Upload evidence of what makes you an ideal candidate for this opportunity. Evidence can include photos, newspaper articles, songs, poems, short stories etc. In short - anything that helps the review committee understand why you're an exceptional candidate. Please Note: Your response should NOT be an essay.

NOTE: PLEASE UPLOAD ALL FILES AND ESSAYS IN A SINGLE PDF FILE

PLEASE READ: I the undersigned have prepared this application on my own behalf. The ideas expressed are mine. I have read and understood the information section at the beginning of this application form. I have discussed all aspects of the commitment involved in applying for entry to a UWC school/college with my parent(s)/guardian(s). Should the application be successful, I hereby undertake to observe the rules, regulations and guidelines of the school/college. I recognize that the school/college has the right to exclude me for violations of such rules, regulations and guidelines.

The deadline for receipt of this application is **5 p.m. GMT on Friday, January 7th, 2022.**

Signature of applicant:	Signature of applicant's parent/guardian:
Date:	Date: