



UWC Colleges and Programmes Statement of Values and Principles

The UWC international movement encompasses a variety of schools, colleges, programmes and activities. All are committed to the UWC mission and core values. The schools and colleges also incorporate a shared set of key elements and subscribe to the same organising principles.

Mission

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

Core Values

The UWC international movement promotes:

- International and intercultural understanding
- The celebration of difference
- Personal responsibility and integrity
- Mutual responsibility and respect
- Compassion and service
- Respect for the environment
- A sense of idealism
- Personal challenge
- Action and personal example

Key Elements of the UWC Experience

The UWC experience involves:

- Fostering relationships and understanding across diverse nationalities, cultures, races, religions and socio-economic backgrounds
- Rigorous experiential education for young people in their formative years

These are delivered through:

- A challenging environment for enquiring minds
- Extensive community service
- Strong environmental awareness
- Exploration of global issues
- Respect for and interaction with the host community.

Organising Principles

The UWC schools and colleges currently operate according to a shared set of organising principles:

- Each contributes to the UWC international movement
- Any and all profits are used for the development of the college and the UWC movement
- Selection of students is based on merit, supported throughout the world by the work of UWC national committees and selection contacts
- There is a commitment to enhancing scholarship support for students, in conjunction with UWC national committees and selection contacts where appropriate
- All programmes and initiatives must be consistent with the strategy and policies of UWC International
- The whole school/college community is in sympathy with the Statement of Values and Principles