

# UWC Adriatic | Italy

## College Information

**Head:** Mr. William Turner

### **College Bio:**

UWC Adriatic is set in the picturesque village of Duino, near Trieste, in north-eastern Italy. It offers a challenging holistic, residential educational programme including the two-year IB Diploma taught in English to around 185 students from 80 countries. The college mission is to welcome young people at the threshold of adult independence and guide them on the way to being compassionate and conscientious individuals with the energy and understanding to work for positive change.

Experiences gained within a diverse multicultural community in an Italian region at the crossroads of cultural, political, historical and geographical transitions are used to stimulate personal reflection and growth. Interwoven through the surrounding community, UWC Adriatic draws inspiration from Italian and local culture, music, art, architecture, history and linguistic diversity to stimulate personal reflection and creativity of students. Outdoor activities in adjacent hills, mountains, rivers and sea provide a breadth of physical challenges. Throughout their time at the college all students are committed to service to the community around them. UWC Adriatic offers students opportunities to fulfil their potential and develop the skills to become agents of positive change in an increasingly interconnected world. UWC Adriatic was established in 1982 as first college outside the English speaking area.

### **Residences:**

The college has student residences scattered through the village of Duino. Rooms vary in size and may be single, double, triple or quadruple. Each residence is unique and this is reflected by the distribution of students/rooming and facilities. Every residence is manned by one or more residence tutors. Furthermore the distribution of students varies yearly according to our intake. Students are allowed access to all residence dayrooms until curfew (23:00 Sunday-Thursday and by agreement up to 01:00 Saturday morning and Sunday morning). Every day there is an expectation that at quiet time (22:30) guest students have left rooms, though may be in dayrooms up until curfew. Students are not allowed other guests in the residence without agreement from the Residence Tutor who will ensure that guests are adequately supervised.

### **Facilities:**

Fully equipped music centre. Sports facilities located in Duino and nearby shared with other local associations which fosters socialising with the local youth and population.

# Medical Provisions and Additional Needs

## Medical provision:

There is a medical doctor present at college for 2 hours four times a week, including Saturday afternoon. The college nurse comes in every week day all day. The psychologist and counselor is a full time college employee. She is also assists students with special educational needs and learning difficulties. Emergency medical care and all other medical services and public hospitals are available in nearby Monfalcone and Trieste.

## Counselling and pastoral care:

Each student is assigned a Personal Tutor, who provides both personal and academic support. Tutorial groups meet once a week, and also plan dinners or other events together three times a term to develop a sense of a smaller 'family' group.

Each student residence has one or more Residence Tutors who are mainly in charge of more practical aspects of residence life, but are also available to support and help students when needed.

The College has a full time Psychologist as a counsellor. For the rare occasions involving medical problems, the Psychologist can work with the Medical Staff to provide "team" support and assistance for the student. Being a psychologist enables the college counsellor to determine the appropriate level of response, they may or may not be directly involved in the therapy offered to an individual student. The college Teacher Librarian is present in the library for each academic day and can assist students with specific learning needs if they are referred to her by the Study Skills support team.

The College offers a Peer Support programme which is a means to connect students with trained peer supporters in times of need. Peer supporters are trained by the College to provide support through listening. The aim of the Peer Supporters is to provide an additional option to the current support system (Counsellor, Tutor, Medical Staff, etc) through which students can find support from students who are similar in age, experience and comfort zone.

## Additional Needs:

Is your college able to accommodate the following:	Comments
Students who are deaf or have hearing impairments	Yes
Blind or partially-sighted students	Yes
Students who are wheelchair users	Since only a few buildings are accessible to students on a wheelchair NCs should always contact the college before nominating students

	with disabilities.
Students with learning disabilities	Yes
Students with mental health problems	Depends on the nature and severity of the problem. NCs should always contact the college before nominating students with mental health problems.
Dietary requirements (including Kosher and Halal)	The college caterer provides limited halal and kosher food. A vegetarian or non-pork option is always available at the college canteen
Facilities / provisions for faith groups: <i>i.e. prayer room, specific days for religious celebration</i>	Not on campus. Students are free to attend religious groups and celebrations in Trieste provided that this doesn't clash with their academic and extra-academic activities.
LGBTQ students (i.e. different bathrooms for Trans students):	The college is able to accommodate LGBTQ students, but different bathrooms for Trans students are not available.

# Subjects and CAS Available

## Subjects taught:

Group 1	Group 3	Group 5
English Literature (HL & SL) English Language and Literature (HL & SL) Italian Literature (HL & SL) Spanish Literature (HL & SL) Russian Literature (HL & SL)  <i>Tutored languages:</i> Arabic Literature (HL & SL) Croatian Literature (HL & SL) Serbian Literature (HL & SL) Bosnian Literature (HL & SL) German Literature (HL & SL) Slovene Literature (HL & SL)	Economics (HL & SL) History (HL & SL) Philosophy (HL & SL) World Arts and Cultures (SL only) Environmental Systems & Societies (SL only) Global Politics (SL only)	Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (HL & SL)  Mathematics: Applications and Interpretation (SL only)
Group 2	Group 4	Group 6
Italian B (HL & SL) Italian Ab Initio English B (HL & SL)	Biology (HL & SL) Chemistry (HL & SL) Environmental Systems & Societies (SL only) Physics (HL & SL)	Visual Arts (HL & SL)

## CAS available:

Each student is required to have at least one weekly Physical activity and engage in Creative Activities on either a regular weekly basis and/or by contributing substantially to the college programme of performances and exhibitions. In addition each student must join the Social Service programme. Students are welcome to take additional activities beyond these requirements, as

well as to start up their own activities. Students are not expected to have prior experience in any activity and are encouraged to try something new.

<b>Physical Activities</b> <i>(Students are meant to take full advantage of UWC Adriatic's location on the sea and close to the mountains. Hence, land and marine activities are offered in addition to traditional sports)</i>	<b>Creative Activities</b> <i>(The activities vary from year to year depending on student and teacher interest and expertise)</i>	<b>Social Service</b> <i>(In addition to a social service, each student takes on a College Service, by which he or she takes responsibility and helps in the running of an aspect of college life)</i>
Climbing Orienteering Hiking Cross-country and Downhill Skiing Kayaking Sailing Swimming Basketball Road Hockey Floor Ball Football Ultimate Frisbee Volleyball Archery Aerobics Dance Karate Boxing Capoeira Yoga	Amnesty International Ceramics Creative Writing Current Affairs Study Group Decoupage Model United Nations Various Musical Activities including Music theory, choir and instrument lessons TedX Photography Sustainability Group Theatre Yearbook.	Work with Italian and Slovene speaking children through art, teaching English and other activities in local kindergartens and primary schools. Multicultural presentations to offer a multicultural experience to students of local primary schools through a range of activities aimed at fighting prejudice and racism. Assistance to persons with mental or physical disabilities. Offering companionship to the elderly, the blind or other persons who are confined to their homes. Visiting the elderly in local institutions. Working as volunteers in the local Red Cross Ambulance service, following qualification in a first aid course. Performing musical concerts in hospitals and institutions for elderly and sick people. Visiting people with multiple sclerosis

Table Tennis		Engaging in sport activities with people with disabilities Offering English lessons to the local community Visiting the residents of a local hospice  <b>College Services</b> (examples) Unlocking school buildings in the morning and locking them at night Supervising the library Recycling
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**Student Body:**

186 students in total, all in IBDP years

**Term dates for 2020-2021 Academic Year:**

Term 1: 26 August or 29 August 2020 - 17 December 2020 (after 2.30 pm) or 18 December 2020

Term 2: 12 January 2021 or 13 January 2021 - 22 May 2021

For more in-depth information about UWC Adriatic, please visit their [website](#)