

A large group of diverse students in a circle, holding hands and smiling, creating a sense of community and unity. The background is slightly blurred, focusing attention on the students in the foreground.

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Overview of Dilijan and Armenia

Armenia is a country rich in history, culture and natural beauty. It has its own language and alphabet, it was the first country in the world to declare itself Christian and in recent history has been establishing itself as an independent nation after the breakup of the Soviet Union. The capital Yerevan is a lively cosmopolitan city with a vibrant café culture in the summer. Yerevan has a host of shops and restaurants with affordable food and drinks. In Yerevan you will be able to buy clothes and most things you cannot find in Dilijan.

Dilijan is situated in a lush valley, about an hour and a half from the capital Yerevan. On the old Silk Road, it has long been a place where different cultures and religions meet. It enjoys its own microclimate and has less extremes of weather than some other parts of the country. Dilijan is famous for the quality of its spring water which is bottled not far from the college, and is exported widely.

There are several banks and cash point machines. There are many shops spread around the town selling food, toiletries, batteries, household items and some clothing. There are no shopping malls in Dilijan. The shops are small but when you get to know the town it is surprising what you can buy. It is unusual to shop using a bank-card; most shopping is done with cash. There are several restaurants selling local khorovats (kebabs and grilled or barbecued meat), Georgian food and other local dishes. You will also often find people selling very good fresh fruit and vegetables on the street. There are local hairdressers and barbers. There are several hotels in Dilijan.

Transport

The college is about a half an hour walk from Dilijan centre although there are shops and ATMs which are closer. Taxis are readily available and cost 600AMD for a trip one-way into town.

The college runs regular buses to Yerevan on Saturdays for which students pay 1000AMD. This money goes towards our Student Fund to help students in need.

Students are not permitted to have cars or motorbikes at the college.

Residential Life

Students share rooms usually in twos and fours with shared bathrooms. We will be aiming to put a mixture of nationalities, languages and continents together in each room. Each student has a bed, desk, chair, bedside table, lamp and double wardrobe with hangers and a mirror. Everyone has a lockable drawer. Dorm rooms do not have keys but there is restricted access to the residential buildings. Access to campus will be strictly monitored and controlled.

Students are all part of a 'Toon' (the Armenian word for house or home) and each Toon has a Toon Parent, a member of staff who will be their parent away from home. We have six Toons named after Armenian rivers or mountains. Each Toon has a weekly Toon-Time where they share about their cultures, discuss issues of relevance in college life and relax together. The Toon is a smaller unit of the college community with a mix of genders, nationalities, languages and personalities, which will enable students to get to know each other and work together in a productive way.

As well as a Toon Parent, each student has a tutor who works with them on their full experience at UWC Dilijan. The tutor is their CAS advisor as well as having an overview of academic work and pastoral issues. Students get to know them well and they will be a good point of contact for any concerns.

There are several other layers of support such as Peer Listeners and a Counsellor, but most importantly we are aiming to make UWC Dilijan a caring and enabling community of mature resilient individuals where everyone supports each other – do come ready to help and encourage others as well as to organise and push yourself.

We also have two doctors on campus in our Medical Centre, refer to the Healthcare section for more information.

There are a number of student bodies that have responsibility within the community. The Student Council is made up from elected representatives, meeting weekly, working with staff and organising College Meetings. The Social Committee is a number of interested students who arrange for films and games nights and parties. As we grow there will be other opportunities for students to participate, to take responsibility and to lead.

← Residential Life

There are limited kitchen facilities in the student accommodation (kettle and microwave) for snacks and the occasional cooking of a meal with friends. All meals are served in the dining hall.

Our student café the 'Four to Six Cups' is open and is a relaxing place to have a drink with friends or do some work with a coffee.

Food in Armenia is fresh, tasty and, more often than not, organic by default. Our dining hall provides excellent food, a good variety of options, plentiful servings and is great at providing international dishes to support cultural events.

Bed linen (including duvets and pillows) and towels are provided, and are regularly washed for students. Students may want to bring their own towel(s) for use in the pool, or just to have their own personal towel(s).

Students are expected to wash their own clothes in the laundry facilities. The laundry facilities are free but students have to purchase their own washing-powder.

Students may leave campus independently at certain times of day. They sign out at the security gate with their ID card, giving details of their destination in case of emergency. Students may go into Dilijan on their own during the day. To go any further though they should be in a group, and sign out leaving contact details.

On certain weekends students may apply to have a Saturday night away from campus with a small group of friends, unaccompanied by staff. Each student may do this up to twice a term. There is a procedure to follow to apply for this, including parental permission and confirmed bookings. Permission is dependent on a good record of organisation and behaviour.

We limit the number of weekends that students are away from campus because there is a lot happening on campus and we want students to organise events and to support their peers by attending events. It is especially important that local Armenian students realise that residential life is an important part of their experience and that they will not be going home regularly.

Dress

There is no uniform at UWC Dilijan College. Students will be busy; tidy, comfortable clothing that is easy to launder is recommended. Clothing should also be modest. The College community is from diverse backgrounds and the town of Dilijan has a conservative culture so students are asked to consider what they are wearing carefully. Clothing should also be suitable for a classroom, laboratory and visits to town. Occasionally there may be more formal events which require a smarter look, such as interviews or parties, and students are encouraged to bring their national dress and flags for cultural events and special occasions.

The climate in Dilijan will vary greatly from the time of arrival in August through the winter. Temperatures could be around 30 centigrade in August going down to well below freezing at night in December. So, a good variety of clothing is ideal, which can be layered as the weather gets cooler, as well as a good winter coat. Sturdy footwear with a good grip for the cold weather and hiking should be brought if you can. As noted in the packing list for some students it may be better value or more convenient to buy winter clothing once they have arrived in Armenia. As Dilijan is high (about 1600m) the sun can be quite strong so a sun hat can be useful. Dilijan gets more rain than other parts of Armenia so waterproofs are also recommended.

Clothing to exercise in and a one-piece swimsuit for the pool will also be necessary.

As we will be doing outdoor activities students should have sturdy walking shoes or, even better, walking boots if already owned. The terrain around Dilijan is mountainous so hiking boots will open up more opportunities to you. Similarly skiing clothing will be needed for snow sports, which happen January to March, and the college's supply is limited so students who already own this type of clothing and want to be involved in this kind of activity should bring it with them.

Discipline

Students will be expected to treat all members of the college community from students through academic staff to support staff with respect and courtesy. The same respect is to be extended to the college facilities, the belongings of others and the local environment. There is also a real responsibility to create a good impression in the local community and behaviour outside the college grounds should be sensitive to local customs and the expectations of the local population. We are all members of the learning community that is UWC Dilijan and we should always endeavour to listen to each other and support each other. Although there are, of course, some clear boundaries and expectations, we would rather not have to turn to a long list of rules but instead foster a community where people think before they act and refrain from behaviour which is not for the common good. It must be stressed that we put trust in students, and expect a higher sense of responsibility and maturity in their actions than in most educational establishments. Staff at UWC Dilijan work hard to create a wide variety of opportunities and we do not want staff weighed down with a burden of disciplinary matters when their time and energy can be better used.

In addition to the UWC Common Code of Conduct, UWC Dilijan states that:

Tobacco / No smoking is permitted on campus by any student at any time.

Alcohol / No spirits may be possessed, purchased or consumed on or off campus by students while they are in attendance at UWC Dilijan.

In accordance with the UWC Common Code of Conduct, no alcohol may be purchased, possessed, or consumed by students except that, when having a meal off campus, students may have one glass of wine or beer with their meal.

Sexual Activity / Intimate sexual activity is not permitted on campus. The college will not knowingly make it possible for consenting students to engage in intimate sexual activity on campus or collude with them in such activity.

Drugs / Possession, purchase or use of so-called "recreational" drugs – properly called "drugs of abuse" – ***is not permitted under any circumstances on or off campus*** while students are enrolled at UWC Dilijan.

Privacy / It is college policy that no student not normally accommodated there may be in the bedroom ("dormitory") of another student at given times in the evening. This applies regardless of gender. The reason for this rule is that others are entitled to their privacy and sleep and it is not acceptable for individuals either to ask for or demand relaxation of this rule from those who might be reluctant to refuse, so it is not negotiable.

Outline of the day

Lessons take place throughout the morning and finish mid-afternoon Monday to Friday. In late afternoons and evenings there is time for activities, community service and independent study. Meals are served in the dining-hall near the accommodation block. All students check in at the residencies at 2200 and must stay in the residences after this time. Check in is slightly later at weekends.

Attendance

Students are here to grow through collegiality, to learn and to serve. So, absences from the opportunities we provide to live, learn and serve are seen as indications of a lack of engagement with the environment of the college and the mission. Education at UWC Dilijan is a collegiate activity and all staff and students should recognise that any absence is not only affecting the student who is absent but also the rest of the group. So, attendance at all classes and activities students have made a commitment to, is expected.

The responsibility for attendance lies firmly with the student. Part of our educational experience is learning to organise oneself and getting to any commitment on time is part of this. Students must organise their own time to have a sensible balance of work, play and rest, and to meet the demands of homework, personal time and all their other cultural and co curricular commit-

Technology

We have wi-fi throughout the college.

All students have access to computing facilities in the library but if you already have a laptop you should bring it with you. We have iMacs in the library; these are accessible to students up until check-in. Students should possess their own laptop if at all possible. All students are provided with a personal licensed Office 365 account.

Casio graphical calculators that are required for Mathematics in the IB will be provided for you during your time at the college so that everyone is using the same device.

Armenia uses European two round-pronged plugs (210V), so bring adaptors for these if needed.

Students will be provided with a free Viva Cell MTS SIM Card. They will have some minutes available initially with the SIM card but then students will have to buy further minutes if they choose to use this SIM card later. Minutes can be bought cheaply at almost any shop in Dilijan. For students to use this SIM card it is important that any phone brought with them is unlocked, so do this at home before you come. It is useful to have a working local phone and we highly recommend students use this option.

Students can read about international calls at <http://mts.am/en/individual-customers/roaming-and-international-access/calls-to-other-countries/distant-call>, where it explains the dialling order for a way to get cheaper international calls with this SIM card: 77 00 [country code] [destination number]. Note that if you do not dial 77 before 00 you'll be charged at a different tariff, which is much more expensive compared to this one. If you have questions, you can dial 111 once in Armenia to get further information.

Simple Living and Pocket Money

As the UWC movement is aiming towards education for a sustainable world students should be aiming to live simply, without excessive consumption or possessions. As it is also true that our student body will come from very varied economic backgrounds, living simply, without any excessive displays of wealth, also enables us to create and live in a community that is as egalitarian as possible.

All students' food and board as well as expenses relating to the curriculum such as calculators, books and basic stationery are included. The transport to and from Yerevan, Zvartnots airport at the beginning and end of term is also included. So what will you want to spend money on? Snacks, a birthday meal with friends, toiletries, mobile telephone bills, other ways of contacting home, paying for a fundraising event, buying stationery beyond the basic necessities, participating in excursions, staying overnight in Yerevan, paying for a Yerevan bus, buying a year book at the end of the year these are perhaps some of the ways you will spend your pocket money. We recommend that pocket money is up to 1000USD per year, 500USD per semester. We ask that students do not bring more than this in order to create as equal a community as possible and to promote the ethos of simple living. Anyone bringing money in cash is strongly recommended to give it to their parents and arrange the safe keeping. Many students spend less than this.

If you are planning to buy winter clothing or shoes after you have arrived this will be an additional cost. There may also be additional costs associated with application to university in the second year. These are not covered by the college.

As part of induction we will arrange for students to have their own local bank accounts with Armenia Bank. These will be in USD for overseas students and AMD for Armenian students. These accounts can be used to receive pocket money, and provide a cash point card so money can be kept safe and easily accessible. Iranian students cannot open an account in Armenia and will need to bring pocket money in cash.

Pocket money should either be brought in USD, EUR or RUB or transferred once an account has been opened. If a student is having money transferred later they should still bring around 70USD with them, if they can, in case of any unforeseen expenses before the accounts are arranged. USD, EUR and RUB can be exchanged for Armenian Dram in Dilijan, but it should be noted that many other currencies are not easily exchangeable which is why we specify these currencies.

Student Fund

We have a small Student Fund to which students with real financial difficulties may apply to receive money to help cover items which are necessary but which they would otherwise be unable to afford. This is administered through Toon Parents and can help those students who would otherwise struggle to pay for large outgoings. On occasions this can also help with holiday arrangements for those students unable to return home.

Religious Practice

There is a multi-faith space on campus for those who wish to pray and to practise their faiths, or just to have a quiet moment.

There are very limited opportunities to join with a non-Armenian-speaking Christian congregation or a congregation for other faiths in Armenia.

Visitors

Students are very busy during term time and any visits by family and/or friends should be over a weekend. Permission for visits should be sought from Toon Parents in advance. There is no accommodation available on campus for this type of visit, but there are several hotels in town. Any visitors eating in the Dining Hall will need to pay in advance for the lunch voucher, which will go towards our Student Fund. There are also certain times of the year when you should not have visitors such as Induction, the first few weeks of any semester, and examination times.

Communication

For the college to be able to contact parents, guardians and other responsible adults it is vital that we have accurate and up-to-date contact details. This includes email addresses, phone numbers (home, work, mobile), postal addresses and accommodation addresses. Please submit the most detailed and complete information you can in the Student Data Record and let us know when anything changes.

Along with travel schedules we will send out a set of contact details (telephone numbers and emails) that can be used whilst travelling and upon arrival. In the meantime an email to admissions@uwcdilijan.org will swiftly find its way to the appropriate person.

Once at the college each student will have a college email and it is important that students use this account as it is an important channel of communication within the community.

Any **letters** sent from home should be addressed exactly as follows **without** the college name:

STUDENT NAME
Getapnya 7
Dilijan 3903
Armenia

Sending **parcels** from home is possible, but because Armenian customs procedures are complex we have learned from experience that they must be addressed to a designated person responsible for customs clearance and we can advise on the best courier. Currently this procedure is at the stage of revision, thus, you will be given this information additionally when it is finalised. It is important for you and your family to know that if you address a parcel incorrectly, even in a minor way, it can cost 30 000AMD (60USD) to get the parcel out of customs and can involve travelling to Yerevan in addition. Incorrectly addressed parcels often sit in customs for a long time... So, do not let anyone send you a parcel without full and accurate information, which will be coming later.

Guidelines for receiving of personal goods from abroad

The address for receiving goods from abroad is below:

Name/Recipient/Consignee: YOUR NAME
Address: 7 Getapnya Street, 3903 Dilijan, Armenia
Contact person: Levon Demirchyan
Contact number: Mob: +374 94 17 87 33/ Your phone number

To successfully receive your goods from abroad please consider the following points:

In any case, **DO NOT PUT UWC DILIJAN** or **DILIJAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF ARMENIA** in any field of address or recipient.

Items where declaration/invoice cost/price is above 200 000 AMD (approx. 400 USD) are subject of taxation in accordance with Armenian Law. Try to put the value of items as low as possible and not more than 350 USD.

Wireless devices and other equipment in most cases are subject to certification so avoid receiving such devices, otherwise avoid using the following words in customs declaration/invoice: wireless, equipment, devices, etc.

Medicine are subject to examination and expertise. Please avoid receiving medicine. If you should, avoid using the following words in customs declaration/invoice: medicine, drugs, etc.

There might be other items which are subject of taxation or certifications. If you are not certain, please consult with Procurement officer (Levon Demirchyan) before arranging any shipment from abroad.

Guidelines for receiving of items for the college.

To avoid extra costs, all the purchases and shipments for the college should be consulted and supervised by Procurement officer.

Please note that it is not allowed to personally bring any item from abroad for the college, otherwise, the college can have severe consequences including accounting problems and other financial losses.

Calendar for Students Joining in 2017

Semester 1 – Autumn 2017

New students arrive on 19/20th August (you must be on campus by 19:00 on 20th August) 2017

Last day of semester 14th December (students)

Students leave 15th December 2017 (all students are supposed to leave campus before 17:00)

Semester 2 – Spring 2018

Arrive 16/17th January (you must be on campus by 19:00 on 17th January) 2018

Graduation 26th May

Students leave on 27th May 2018

Students and their parents/guardians should ensure that travel arrangements allow students to arrive in college at the appropriate times, ready to start each semester. Arriving late or leaving early is not acceptable.

Students are not able to stay on campus during the holidays. Parents and students for whom return home is difficult need to consider, in advance, what other options they have. For example, visiting with family or friends who live closer to Armenia. In the event of difficulties with holiday accommodation students need to inform us early in the semester so that we can help them to find alternatives. If we are able to find a host family or suitable holiday accommodation there will be a cost involved.



CURRICULUM

Curriculum Overview

All UWC Dilijan students will participate in our Co-curricular programme in the widest possible sense in order to address our mission and learn from each other, this will include the CAS requirements for the IB. All students are expected to participate in a community service session each week as well as at least two other sessions. With roots going back to Kurt Hahn, experiential education is at the heart of UWC. The term 'experiential' puts the emphasis on learning by being involved in real, meaningful, self-directed experiences. The co-curricular programme is more than simply doing a variety of activities. Students should be thoughtful, set clear goals, and engage in an ongoing process of reflection and planning that begins before an activity starts and continues after it finishes.

The details of these opportunities will be covered in induction but here is a little more information:

Community Engagement: Taking advantage of living in Armenia, every student at UWC Dilijan is expected to be involved in regular interaction with the surrounding community. Often this is through service opportunities, such as assisting inclusive classes with disabled students, or helping to collaboratively organize events with local youth. It might also include taking workshops in the community or hosting local groups for tours or interactive science.

On-campus Groups: The groups on campus are as diverse as UWC Dilijan students themselves. Groups range from Mountain-Biking and Bollywood Dance to Model United Nations, Sustainability Council and Cooking. Students have the opportunity to go hiking, skiing and snowshoeing. There is always the possibility of creating new groups as well.

Project Weeks: As busy as life at UWC Dilijan can be, we recognize the value of sustained focus on a single endeavour. For this reason, at several points in your two-year experience, we will take a break from our regular schedule to take part in intensive experiential learning projects. These student-designed projects give you the opportunity to apply your learning in context, to understand the region better, and to develop skills of leadership, planning and inter-personal communication. Often partnering with allied organizations, you will work under the guidance of staff to design and plan projects taking several days—typically with a service, cultural, outdoor adventure or academic focus.

In addition to the IB curriculum, students also participate in other events and activities, which are educational and part of the UWC Dilijan experience.

Student Jobs: We are all privileged to be part of this incredible community, and it is important for each of us to contribute to that community. Each student applies and is selected for a campus job that takes approximately one hour per week. This can be anything from being a library assistant to a chemistry tutor or a student health educator. These jobs are in addition to the weekly CAS commitments and are part of the service ethos of the UWC movement, aiming towards educating people to give life-long service.

Cultural Events: Cultural sharing is a constant at a UWC, but throughout the year, specific times are set aside to explore and share the culture of particular regions. Presentations, discussions, shows and more allow you to teach others about your culture, and provide the opportunity to learn more about the backgrounds of your peers.

Focus Weeks: We are passionate about many different issues, and focus weeks are an opportunity for us to engage with some of these issues as an entire community through a mixture of special events, presentations, challenges, classroom discussions, group led activities and more. Focus weeks this year have been: Inclusivity, Flags, Symbols and Nationalism, Sustainability and Human Trafficking. We look forward to your involvement in creating the focus weeks for the coming year.

If this sounds like a lot, that's because it is! Life at UWC Dilijan is busy; learning to organize your time and be self-disciplined are critical parts of a UWC education.

Living in a community with people from around seventy different nations will also be an education in itself, as students learn to live, listen, compromise, adapt and laugh together. Most importantly though, we know that the student body will have a huge variety of interests and talents, which we will be hoping to foster and to help students to share with each other.

CURRICULUM

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Reporting Procedures

Parents/Guardians and National Committees will receive a progress report written in English every semester, by email. It is very important that there is at least one parent or guardian email address given on the Data Record.



IMPORTANT ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION



Insurance

UWC Dilijan College does not insure personal possessions or accept any responsibility for their security, even if they are left in locked college storage areas, for example over a vacation period. So, if students wish personal possessions to be insured they will need to organise this for themselves before they leave home.

Insurance for your travel to and from the college is also your responsibility, and we do advise you to take out travel insurance.

Once in Armenia you will be covered by UWC Dilijan's medical insurance. We need students to fill out the Medical Disclosure and Permissions Form and supply any necessary information from their doctor. Please note that this insurance covers you in other countries when you travel but does not cover non-Armenians in your home country.

Armenian citizens must deregister from their present local polyclinic and bring their medical records (anketa) with them in order to be registered at Dilijan Diagnostic Centre/Polyclinic.

Healthcare

We have a very well staffed and purpose built Medical Centre on site. The college has its own doctor and nurses with medical care available at all times. There is also a first rate modern Diagnostic Centre/Polyclinic in Dilijan which is linked with the best hospital in Yerevan. There are ambulances if transfer to Yerevan becomes necessary. Appointments with specialists in the polyclinic are available with very little waiting time. A medical will be part of the process for the residence permit during the first few weeks.

Although no vaccines are necessary to come to Armenia or to get a Residence Permit, different countries have recommendations for travel to Armenia. Recommendations to have tetanus, typhoid, diphtheria, TB, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B and polio are common for travellers to the region. It is a sensible precaution for students to check the recommendations from their country and to have the recommended vaccinations before arrival. We also recommend strongly that students have vaccines for common childhood infectious illnesses such as measles, mumps, rubella and chicken pox before coming to the college.

If you are prescribed medication the Medical Insurance usually covers it. If this is not the case students will be expected to cover the cost of any uninsured medication. In cases where this would be impossible students can apply to our Student Fund for financial help. If you require non-prescribed medication you can discuss this with the doctor, but will need to pay for it in advance.

If you take medicines regularly, or have a condition which occurs irregularly but needs specific medication, we strongly suggest you bring enough medication with you to supply you until your next visit home. Although we can source most medicines here, not all brands are available in Armenia and if you bring your own you will know you have got what you need. **During induction all medicines will be taken to the medical centre so that the doctor knows what medication students are on.** We also strongly advise that any medications purchased in Armenia are purchased through our Doctor so that she can advise on which brands are the best quality. The medical centre should also always be informed if you have any additions or changes to your medication – they must be aware of the medication you are taking at all times.

Vegetarianism is not common or well understood in Armenia. Although we do have vegetarian meals served in our dining hall and endeavour to meet all medical, religious and other dietary requirements, if you are vegetarian, you may want to come with a sensible supply of vitamin supplements if you usually take them – these are not covered by the medical insurance.

Also in this mailing is a set of health forms 'Medical Information and Disclosure'; please complete them fully and openly. If you answer yes to any of the questions please also send or bring either medical records or an explanatory letter from your doctor. It is essential that UWC Dilijan has a complete picture of a student's health in order to put in place the necessary medical insurance and to support them during their time with us. Please note that if known conditions are not disclosed, or incorrect information is submitted, then UWC Dilijan reserves the right to withdraw the student's place at the college before or after arrival.

IMPORTANT ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION



Fee Payment

Each student and their family should know if they are expected to contribute to their fees. If they have to pay some or all of the fees they should be paid according to the following schedule:

If there is 25% or less of the fees to pay then these should be paid in full, for the whole year, by 1st August 2017 at the latest.

If you have more than 25% of the fees to pay then you can pay in two instalments if you wish. The payments should be half of the amount due paid by 1st August 2017 and the other half by 1st January 2019.

In addition to the fees students must pay a refundable 200USD deposit, which will be held until the end of their time at the college, against lost or damaged equipment or books, and any visas required for college trips. The full deposit should be paid to the same account as the fees by 1st August 2017 at the latest.

When money is transferred to the college account there are often fees both for sending and receiving the money depending on your bank. The student and family are responsible for the payment of all of these fees. The college should receive the exact amount stated in the financial agreement. It is important to speak carefully with your bank to ascertain what transfer fees you will need to cover. The college needs to receive the full fee and if it does not, because some transfer fee has to be paid from it, then that amount will be added into your second installment or a separate invoice will be sent to you.

This information together with details of how to make payments was included in the UWC Dilijan Financial Form.

Residence Permits

All students who are not Armenian citizens will require an Educational Residence Permit.

The system in Armenia is that after arrival at the college we will organise an educational residence permit. So, it is essential that students bring with them the documents necessary to get this permit. The residence permit will be free. Students will have a health examination as part of the process to get their residence permit.

Essential Documents for the Educational Residence Permit:

- 1.** Your original birth certificate if it is in English, Russian or Armenian, or a notarised translation into English if it is any other language. Please send a good scanned copy to Admissions and **you must bring the original (if in English, Russian or Armenian) or notarised translation with you.**
- 2.** Eight matte (not shiny) passport style photos 3.5cm x 4.5cm.
- 3.** A good colour scanned copy of your mother's passport and your father's passport or guardian's passport or guardians' passports. If they do not have passports then good colour scanned copies of ID cards will be sufficient. If you have a legal guardian or legal guardians then proof of guardianship will also be required. If this is problematic for you then please contact admissions@uwcdilijan.org to find out what will be required in your situation.

STUDENT DATA COLLECTION



The Student Data Record Form should be completed on-line. This will give us important information so please fill it in carefully and thoroughly.

TRAVELLING TO GEORGIA

During the study period at UWC Dilijan students often want to join projects in Georgia or travel to Georgia for other purposes. For most of the students this is not a problem. However, the adolescent (under 18 during the study period at UWC Dilijan) citizens of some countries will be unable to obtain a visa to Georgia if they do not have an original parental consent. So, if you find your country the following list means you must obtain visa at the embassy of Georgia in Armenia. In order to have a full package, make sure you obtain the official Parental Consent at a notarial office and have it with your documents to bring to Armenia. A sample of the Parental Consent is given below.

If you want to learn more about Georgian visa, you can follow the link to their visa information

<https://www.geoconsul.gov.ge/en/visaInformation> .

Sample letter of consent for a child travelling with one parent (or other guardians):

I/we [YOUR NAME] the parents of, give consent of my/our minor child [CHILD'S FULL NAMES] to travel independently to Armenia, Georgia or any other country, where he/she may go for tourism, taking an examination, for project week, long weekend, MUN or any other purpose during his education at UWC Dilijan whilst undertaking the two year International Baccalaureate Diploma Course.

If needed, I/we may be contacted at:-----.

Please, note, that this is a sample, and at the Notarial Offices in your country they may add other necessary notes or information according to the country requirements.

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