

A scenic photograph of a calm lake under a blue sky with scattered white clouds. In the background, there are dark, rugged mountains. Several people in orange life jackets are paddling canoes across the water. The water reflects the sky and the surrounding landscape.

ANNUAL REPORT

2020

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

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Strategy 2025

Vision

In 2025, UWC shall be a well-known educational movement in Norway, and UWC Red Cross Nordic shall be a well-known school. UWC Norway shall be the world's leading National Committee.

Aims

- UWC Norge is a professional organisation with a healthy economy.
- UWC Norge is a well-known player in the field of education policy, and collaborates with relevant organisations and schools.
- UWC is a possibility for everyone regardless of their financial background. The costs for students should be low and predictable, and there should be ample opportunities for need-based scholarships.
- The applicants and students should represent the diversity of the population.
- UWC Norway should annually have 400 applicants and a total of 100 National Committee students, with a minimum of 2 students per school.
- UWC Norway should annually send students to UWC Short Courses.
- UWC Norway should be important in the lives of our students and alumni, and we should have an overview of how they contribute to society. 75 per cent of the members should pay annual membership fees.
- UWC Norway helps to fundraise for scholarships for UWC students from outside of Norway.

Priority areas

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| • Visibility | • Finance and fundraising |
| • Recruitment | • International cooperation |
| • Members | • Organisational building |

United World Colleges

- More needed than ever?



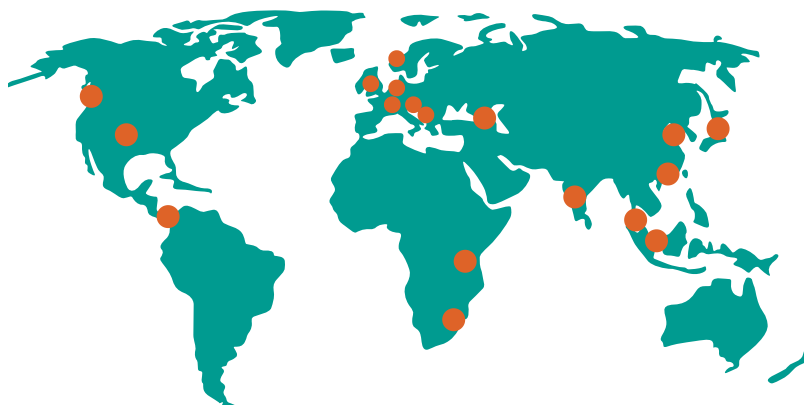
Kaia Tetlie
Chair, UWC Norway
UWCAC 03-05

2020 has been a demanding year for the world, and particularly challenging for a global movement such as UWC.

In last year's annual report, I wrote about everything that seemed to have gone wrong in the first two decades of the 2000s, but I close with careful optimism. We had hardly heard about the corona virus in Wuhan then, but only weeks later, the UWC schools in China and Hong Kong were closed down. That was the beginning of an unprecedented year in UWC's history.

UWC Norway has 80 students at 15 of the 18 UWC schools. Last spring, as the borders started closing, the schools closed down one by one and our students returned home. What came to follow was a demanding time for the UWC Movement as a whole.

Despite the many challenges and closed borders, our students were resilient and continued their UWC education. By November 2020, all of our students had reached their schools.



As we sum up the year, I want to extend our heartfelt thanks and greetings to:

- The students of 2020: We are sorry that you didn't get the ending you deserved for your UWC experience, but we are very proud of you and how you coped during difficult circumstances.
- The students of 2021: You weren't even halfway through UWC before being sent home. Even after months of online learning, you stayed resilient and optimistic.
- The students of 2022: That you all accepted your nominations speak volumes of your motivation and courage. You started UWC in an historic way. Make the most of it.
- UWC parents: Thanks for keeping calm and cooperating for the best interests of our students.
- Our alumni: Thank you for stepping forward and offering to help the students with their IB. What a lovely UWC family to have.
- Members of the National Committee: Thanks for countless of hours volunteering for UWC.
- UWC schools, National Committees and the IO: Thanks for all your efforts and cooperation.

After what has been a challenging year, let us pause for a moment and remember that there is always light on the horizon. Such a spark of optimism was ignited by the words of Amanda Gorman in her poem "The Hill We Climb":

The new dawn blooms as we free it.
For there is always light,
if only we're brave enough to see it.
If only we're brave enough to be it.

About UWC Norway

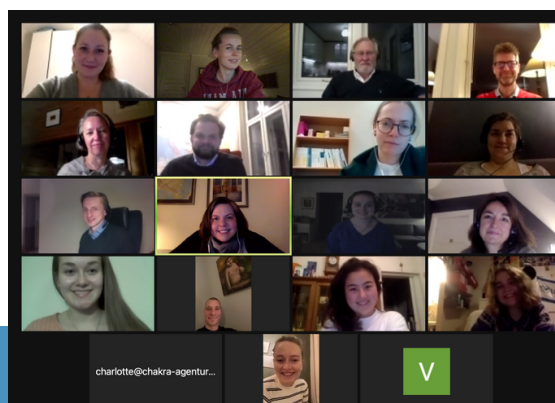
Founded in 1962, United World Colleges (UWC) offers a challenging and transformative educational experience to a diverse cross section of students, inspiring them to create a more peaceful and sustainable future. There are currently 18 colleges around the world, out of which one is in Norway: UWC Red Cross Nordic is located in Fjaler in the county Vestland.

UWC Norway is one of over 160 UWC National Committees, which make up a network of over 3 000 volunteers. The National Committees promote UWC, select students and provide a community for UWC alumni. UWC Norway is a member organisation consisting of all former and current UWC students and teachers from Norway, and is run by volunteers.

UWC Norway cooperates with the Norwegian Agency for International Cooperation and Quality Enhancement in Higher Education (Diku). Diku manages the Norwegian government's financial contribution to UWC Norway, and is a directorate reporting to the Norwegian Ministry of Education and Research.

The Norwegian National Committee consists of around 20 UWC alumni, parents of alumni and former UWC teachers who volunteer to manage and develop the UWC movement.

The National Committee is responsible for nomination and follow-up of students, managing finances, organising events, organising marketing and communications, fundraising and representing Norway in the international UWC movement. UWC Norway has an office in Oslo, where a Director of Administration is employed full time. In addition, volunteer regional representatives are located in Bergen, Bodø, Trondheim and Tromsø. They are responsible for hosting local events for UWC students and alumni, as well as for assisting in marketing of the UWC schools through hosting information meetings.



Members of the National Committee 2020

Chair:	Kaia Tetlie
Deputy Chair:	Ulrikke Lien
Finance:	Helene Føyn, Thomas Nyheim
Student Contacts and Selection:	Tellef Solbakk Raabe, Ingvill Maria Daatland Hekne
Parental Contacts:	Anne Mette Holmen, Vera Minja
Communications Group:	Mai Masuda Gylseth, Anita Skarpås, Severin Schirmer, Viktoria Jorde Hellebø, Lisa Knudsen
Alumni and Events Committee:	Synnøve Lill Paulen, Petter Hiis Bergh, Katrine Opheim, Maren Fosser
Fundraising:	Gunnar Solem, Charlotte Kragerud
Government Contact:	Miriam Strøm Natvig, Jenny Hovland Johanson
Special Competence:	Ivar Lund- Mathiesen, Bjørn Kloumann Bekken, Espen Stedje, Elizabeth Sellevold



Photo: Digital orientation week at UWC Mahindra college

Running a National Committee in 2020

2020 has challenged the UWC movement like never before. The students and teachers had their homes and workplaces shut down overnight, and had to quickly adapt to digital classrooms across timezones and continents with unstable internet connections. The National Committees were navigating in unknown waters, trying to respond to parents' questions and requests, while running selections for a school year which seemed impossible. The schools, families and national committees faced financial uncertainties, which posed as a threat to the whole movement. We are glad to say that we got through 2020 together, and by November all of our students were back at their colleges!

Norway officially closed down on March 12th, but the UWC movement had been dealing with Covid-19 for several weeks before that. When the first cases were detected in China in the beginning of 2020, we had no idea that the biggest challenge in UWC's history was ahead of us. How could one possibly run 18 international schools, with students from 165 countries, in a pandemic?

The schools in Hong Kong, Italy and China were the first to send the students home. 13 Norwegian students returned to their hometowns, for what we hoped and believed would be a short and temporary shutdown. UWC Norway mobilized the alumni network and recruited tutors for the stranded students. By the beginning of March, more than 50 alumni had volunteered!



In March we slowly started understanding the severity of the situation. UWC Norway set down a Corona Working Group to map out the implications for our students and how to respond.

At the same time, the Norwegian krone dropped in value, and UWC Norway's accounts turned red overnight. At the worst, we were looking at a deficit of almost 1,5 MILLION NOK for 2020! Securing our financial situation has therefore been a major challenge and priority this year.

Throughout March, the UWCs closed one by one. The working group called the parents of our 80 students, making sure that the students had returned home and that they were coping with the new digital life. Among our main concerns were the IB exams, which were only a few weeks away. In late March the students were both relieved and concerned to finally learn that all their exams were cancelled.

It was a challenging spring for the National Committees. In order to take care of the students and their families, as well as our own finances and activities, we had to find our way through the maze of UWC-specific, national and international restrictions and guidelines. UWC Norway's full time employee rerouted all of her efforts to the situation, supported by the hundreds of volunteering hours put down by the working group.

Collaboration and coordination with local IB schools, the UWC International office, other National Committees, UWC Schools, parents, students and other collaboration organizations such as ANSA, preoccupied us for weeks. We tried to keep the parents and students as informed as possible, including through two extraordinary info meetings and regular status update emails.

By the end of June, the prospects for the students to return to their UWCs were bleak, and for many of them, the option to return to their local schools seemed increasingly appealing. Preventing drop-outs while balancing the wish to keep the students at their original school and at the same time ensuring that our students would be able to attend physical tuition was a big challenge for us. UWC Norway asked all of the 40 students in UWC schools outside the EU/Schengen whether they would prefer to be reallocated to an European UWC. 25 students accepted the offer, and so began the complicated process of getting all of the students to their school in time for autumn term.

Despite the challenging year for an international educational movement, 75 Norwegian students continued at their original UWC, 11 were reallocated to a new UWC and only 2 dropped out. As for the financial situation, you can see for yourself how it turned out on the last page.





Has the Corona virus been a uniting force in 2020? -YES, according to the UWC alumni!

2020 has been the year where our digital skills have skyrocketed and new words ("zoom fatigue", anyone?) have been introduced to our vocabulary. The latest generations of UWC alumni have already been keeping up intercontinental friendships online, but has 2020 been the year when older generations of UWC'ers have been dusted off some old friendships? We have observed a huge amount of UWC-related activities happening online; alumni concerts, digital reunions, casual zoom hangouts and high participation in the beloved Facebook group "UWC Foodies". We asked the Norwegian alumni group; has Corona helped alumni reconnect?

I høyeste grad! Ferdig på AC for 15 år siden og i mars-april hadde vi tre Zoom-reunions og opprettet WhatsApp-gruppe for hele kullet. Tror både det har å gjøre med at alle plutselig var i samme situasjon + tiden på mange måter stoppet opp. Veldig koselig og inkluderende.
- Kaia Tetlie, Atlantic '03

Ja, vi hadde en felles minnestund på Zoom i anledning at en på kullet døde av korona i april. Noen arrangerte pengeinnsamling til familien og innsamling av bilder og minner. Det var en sørgelig anledning, men veldig fint å se så mange av de andre igjen.
-Sara Nes, Red Cross Nordic '06

Ja, og det har virkelig vært et av årets store høydepunkt
-Anbjørg Knutsson, '04

Absolutt her også! Mer kontakt med uwc-venner og venner fra college i usa. Opplever at det har blitt greit å bare ringe noen, mens tidligere var det mer å lage avtaler for å snakkes.
- Renate Peregrin, Adriatic '12

Det begynner å bli en stund siden jeg var ferdig, og jeg har ikke så mye kontakt med mine UWC-venner. Men da vi alle drev hjemmeskole rundt mars-april-mai, kjente jeg på at verden var mindre og at vi alle var i samme båt. Da en kanadisk UWC-medstudent ønsket litt oppmerksomhet på sønnens (gjestefrie) 8-årsdag, sendte ungene mine som er på samme alder en videohilsen med blant annet bursdagssang fra Norge. Og den falt virkelig i smak
- Merete Gamst Strandberg, Li Po Chun '96

Absolutt for min del! Ikke akkurat nå, men i mars / april hadde jeg rundt 4-5 samlinger med UWC alumni.
- Yahya Muhyiddin, RCN '18

Nyvinnet medlemskap i FB-gruppen UWC Foodies ga meg både mange hyggelige stunder og inspirasjon på lock-down kjøkkenet i Paris!!
- Eli Wærum Rognerud, Atlantic '08

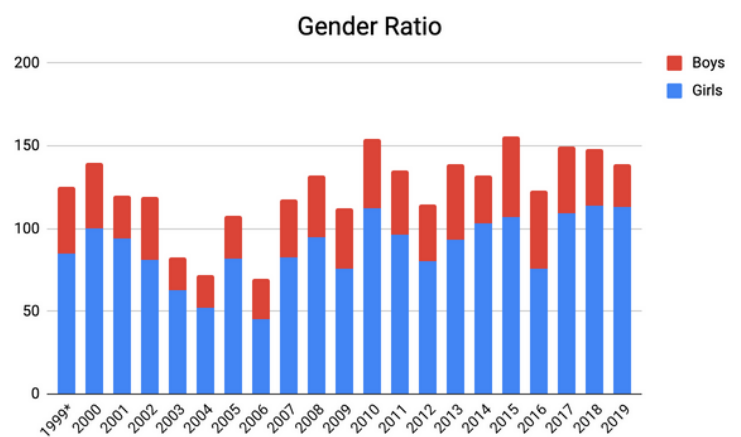
UWC Applicants 2020

The Norwegian Agency for International Cooperation and Quality Enhancement in Higher Education (Diku) is UWC Norway's governmental partner, which sponsors parts of the Norwegian scholarships. Diku also organizes the selection of Norwegian students.

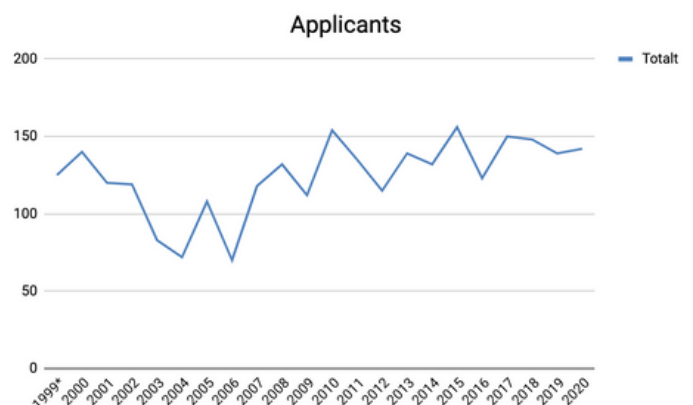
The application deadline was January 25th, and in 2020 we received 142 applications. The number of Norwegian applicants to UWC has been stable over the last few years.

After the deadline, the 4-person nomination committee reads all applicants and invites 70 applicants for interviews in Oslo.

In 2020, the interviews were conducted during the second week of March, and finished on the very last day before the Covid restrictions were put in place. Considering the uncertainties of 2020, we were surprised that all of the 40 nominated candidates accepted their offers!



Over the last years, the ratio of boys to girls has been around 1-5 to 2-5.



Norwegian UWC'ers around the world

UWC Norway's students

Normally, UWC Norway selects 40 students each year, all supported by scholarships from the Norwegian government. In 2019 we were offered a Shelby Davis "Dare to Dream Scholarship" to UWC Dilijan, and we nominated 41 student that year.

UWC Norway started the year with 78 students spread between 15 schools. During the Corona crisis, we reallocated 12 students to European UWCs to ensure that the students were able to arrive during the first months of the autumn term. The first-years at UWC Waterford Kamhlaba had only spent a few weeks on campus before they were sent home, and were given the opportunity to start their UWC experience over again at another UWC. Some students chose to drop out and continue at their local schools. UWC Norway ended the year with 74 students at 13 schools. Given the circumstances, we are please with these results.

Other Norwegian students

It is also possible to gain entry at a UWC school without applying through the National Committee system.

In 2018, UWC International launched a new programme called the Global Selections Programme (GSP). This programme is particularly suited to candidates not living in their country of citizenship. Moreover, after the selections are completed the National Committees can register any remaining qualified candidates on an international Clearing List. The schools can offer places to these candidates. There are some scholarships available through this system, but these are not managed by UWC Norway. Students selected from the Clearing List are not eligible for the Norwegian governmental scholarships.

In 2020 there are four Norwegian students at UWC East Africa, Atlantic College and ISAK Japan admitted through GSP and the Clearing List.

Every year, UWC Red Cross Nordic directly admits two local students from the county of Vestland.

Supporting the Norwegian UWC students

UWC Norway has two elected Student Contacts that are part of the student selection committee.

These two alumni are there to help out with issues or concerns that students or parents have during the two years at UWC. They have been students at UWC and are familiar with the ups and downs of campus life. This year has been particularly challenging for many students, and the student contacts have provided important support.

The Nordic and Baltic National Committees conduct a joint survey among our students every year, and jointly follow up any issues with the school(s) in question.



The two student contacts, Ingvill and Tellef

Students 20-22

Li Po Chun UWC.	Torbjørn Berthelsen
Pearson College UWC	Magnus Sæter
Pearson College UWC	Selma Smith Kvalvaag
Pearson College UWC	Noah Selch Thuestad
UWC Adriatic	Jakob Fougner
UWC Adriatic	Mari Brandsæter
UWC Adriatic	Anouk Maj Losleben
UWC Atlantic College	Marie Grøntoft
UWC Atlantic College	Fredrik Fossler
UWC Atlantic College	Hedda Teilman Øwre
UWC Atlantic College	Mats Kjelle-Skjelbred
UWC Atlantic College	Renate Børstad Jakobsen
UWC Atlantic College	Andrea Alvik
UWC Atlantic College	Vår Eide Aunevik
UWC Atlantic College	Ailin Anjadatter Tinglum
UWC Atlantic College	Malin Lønøy Olsen
UWC Costa Rica	Sterre Honsbeek
UWC Dilijan	Kristoffer Gruehagen
UWC East Africa	Ane Margit Helleberg
UWC East Africa	Sigrid Neva America Rud
UWC Maastricht	Kajsa Falsen
UWC Maastricht	Andrea Simonsen
UWC Maastricht	Ellen Flæte Gundersen
UWC Mahindra College	Selma Moen Stephansen
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Aurora Aarsand Grøneng
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Jostein Henri Hansteen Liland
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Laura Marie Neal
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Leah George Kiserud
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Leanda Wenus
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Linnea Refstad Steinveg
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Lovise Tokle Rannekleiv
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Trym Sipiwe Johnsen Sibeko
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Xander Harrison Hall
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Marieke Vaske
UWC Robert Bosch College	Julie Vik-Mo
UWC Robert Bosch College	Trym Braathen
UWC-USA	Trygve Lillehammer
Waterford Kahmlaba UWC	Kristine Lyckander
Waterford Kahmlaba UWC	Olivia Marie Elisabeth Løkkevik-Jacobsen

Students 19-21

Pearson College UWC	Myril Zephora Kleivane Haabet
Pearson College UWC	Idunn Sissener Engstad
UWC Adriatic	Marte Refsdal
UWC Adriatic	Hannah Nygaard Johannesen
UWC Atlantic College	Audun Hals Butenschøn
UWC Atlantic College	Daniel Aakre Faradonbeh
UWC Atlantic College	Emma Teodora Massanet Asheim
UWC Atlantic College	Karolina Bukute
UWC Atlantic College	Chimma Biji Okoye
UWC Atlantic College	Venezia Stene-Nyholm
UWC Atlantic College	Tage Fossgard-Moser
UWC Atlantic College	Malene Aamelfot Innvær
UWC Dilijan	Abdur-Raheem Idowu
UWC Dilijan	Tina Sagrusten Martinussen
UWC Dilijan	Ferdinand Aspaas
UWC Maastricht	Estella Chilla Tenga
UWC Mahindra College	Marte Elisabeth Loftesnes
UWC Mahindra College	Selma Schonhowd Johnsen
UWC Mostar	Oda Moulin Grinaker
UWC Mostar	Linnea Ingvilddatter Sandsberg
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Elias Ravn Iversen
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Kamilla Elisabeth Engebretsen
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Astrid Villum
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Roseli Karekin Simani
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Hanna Champey Rømmen
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Mantas Karveckis
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Julie Hovelstuen Jansson
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Sondre Elde Vefring
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Amund Korsæth
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Phoebe Obytz
UWC Red Cross Nordic	Andrea Schneider
UWC Robert Bosch College	Eirik Salberg Pedersen
UWC Robert Bosch College	Marie Høgseth Felde
UWC-USA	Ane Heggli Nyhus
UWC-USA	Oda Ulrikke Løvaas



Year 20-22 at the introduction camp

Being a student at UWC



Ferdinand, a student at UWC Dilijan in Armenia, shares his experience from watching the escalated conflict up close:

«Konflikten over Nagorno Karabakh mellom Armenia og Aserbajdsjan har vart siden Sovjetunions fall. Området ble gitt til Aserbajdsjan på 1920-tallet av Stalin, som en del av splitt og hersk taktikken som Sovjetunionen tok i bruk. Armenske separatister har hatt kontroll på området siden 1993, men har nå måtte gi mye land tilbake som følge av våpenhvilen som ble signert 10. november, seks uker etter angrepene startet.

Dette er den mest dødelige eskalasjonen siden krigen på 90-tallet. Mine armenske medelever er redde for at kulturarv vil gå tapt og redde for de etniske armenerne som bor i Nagorno-Karabakh som nå har mistet hjemmene sine. På tross av at vi ikke kunne forlate området, så vi konsekvensene av konflikten på dørstokken til skolen. Det er flere hundre flyktninger som har kommet til den lille byen vår Dilijan, og vi har hjulpet til med å tilberede måltider og samle inn penger til klær for vinteren. Jeg har selv hatt en sekk pakket klar til en hver tid i tilfelle vi måtte evakuere.

Konflikten har påvirket flere elever og ansatte personlig, vi som ikke er armenske har dermed valgt å gi emosjonell støtte, heller enn å ta et politisk standpunkt, vi er først og fremst medmennesker med omtanke for hverandre.»

November 2020

Sondre reflects on a turbulent year as a UWC student.

Vi måtte dra hjem rett før det som har blitt omtalt som den beste tiden på campus, vi måtte si hadet til noen av de nærmeste vennene våre, for noen, på permanent basis. Vi dro også vekk fra et hjem som nettopp hadde blitt familiært. Etter det kom det lange dager med online learning og varmt vær her hjemme, som jeg kunne ønske jeg fikk brukt med mine nye gode venner, i stedet for foran pc-skjermen. Dette gjorde det enda bedre å komme hjem til campus i august, og få bo et sted som nesten var som normalt, var helt fantastisk. Selv om UWC-opplevelsen min kanskje har blitt kuttet litt kort, var det en helt fantastisk god måte å tilbringe dette ellers turbulente året på.



Messages from the students as they returned to their colleges in August

«Det har vært travelt med mye skole (i forhold til hjemme i Norge, men ikke uoverkommelig), sosialt og gøy! (...) Ellers er livet bra, vi tenker ikke særlig mye på korona, i og med at det ikke er noe problem her. Tanzania er veldig forskjellig fra Norge og er nok ikke for alle, men jeg har allerede blitt utrolig glad i stedet og menneskene her!»

«Canada åpner opp for å slippe inn internasjonale studenter fra 20. oktober! Så vi får kanskje dratt allerede i slutten av oktober og er da på campus i rundt midten av November! Det er kjempe gode nyheter som gjør meg, XX og XX mer mottivert til å fortsette med online undervisningen i noen uker til! Takk for hjelpen!»

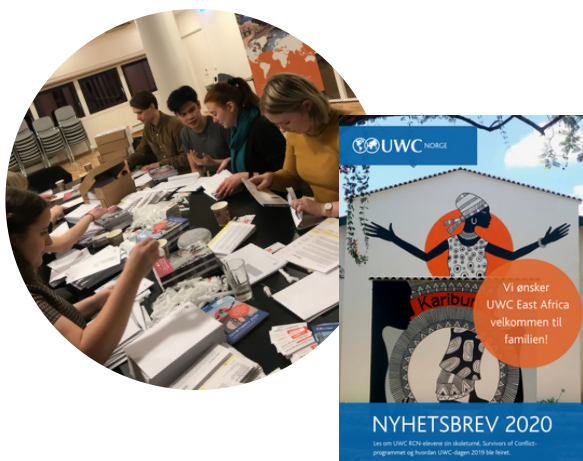
Jeg ble like før skolestart overført til UWC Maastricht. Selv om det jo var kjipt å gi opp min opprinnelige uwc skole og india, er jeg etter snart to måneder ved skolen veldig veldig fornøyd med hvor jeg endte opp!

«Update: Im out of quarantine! [slutten av september, Canada]. Tok 24 dager og var veldig hektisk da jeg endelig kom ut men det er endelig slutt på ukomfortable legesenger og minimal frihet.»

«Det går veldig bra med meg. Jeg er så glad for at jeg har kommet hit, og har det veldig bra her på RCN»

Spreading the word in an extraordinary time

The communication and marketing team, consisting of five members, plays a vital role in making sure that the Norwegian National Committee and the 18 UWC schools are well known amongst the Norwegian population. With UWC Norway's vision in mind, the team has been working on a wide range of communication platforms. We have put a lot of effort into recruiting new students for the 2021 intake, while being transparent about how the pandemic has affected the schools and students in 2020.



Newspaper by post

We started off 2020 by mailing 2000 newsletters to all of the Norwegian UWC alumni. Some fantastic volunteers packed envelopes like heroes!

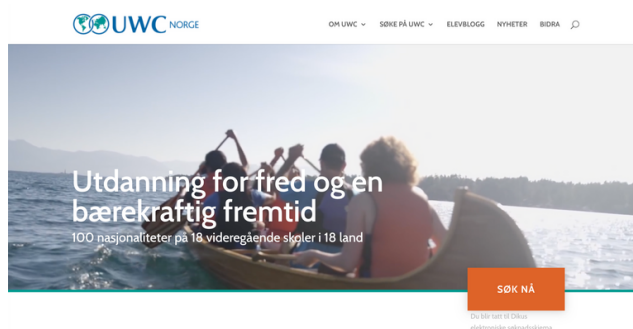


Discovery

20,726
People reached
96% weren't following you
97% came from your promotion

New website!

With the launch of a new website, UWC Norway's most significant communication tool has been optimised to be more user friendly and to include the most important information for those interested in UWC. The website is now built with a more flexible and robust design, compared to the old design which had major limitations.



Online communication

With the pandemic preventing physical events, all communication efforts have been moved online. In addition to an increased focus on social media marketing, the annual recruitment event was held through Zoom. 80 people participated, and the event was also streamed on Facebook. Throughout our recruitment period, we have focused on e-mail marketing towards individuals who show an interest in UWC, collecting emails through surveys and sign-up sheets. Unfortunately, the annual RCN student recruitment tour was cancelled, and instead we placed a paid advertisement at utdanning.no. This strategy could be further developed in 2020.

Building a Community during lockdown

With many of us being locked down for much of the year, we needed to find new ways for our alumni to connect and for our new and current students meet each other before the new school year. Hopefully we can all meet in person again in the next year, but in the meantime we have gained some valuable experiences of reaching our alumni across the country (and the world!) which we will build on in the future.



Celebrating our graduates

Many of our graduating students had a rather sudden end to their UWC experience in the spring. On the 19th of June we invited them to a debrief and graduation party to give them a well deserved celebration.

Introducing our new students to UWC

Although we had to postpone it from June to August, we did manage to gather most of our new students for a beautiful weekend by Tyrifjorden. Joined by some of their second years to be, accompanied by beautiful weather and treated to a wonderful vegetarian menu, they were introduced the UWC movement and their new lives.



UWC Day

UWC Norway celebrates UWC Day by showcasing the knowledge and skills of our alumni. This year's event was entirely digital, which enabled us to reach our whole network, no matter the location. The theme of the day was "United we can", and we celebrated by hearing different perspectives of how people, organizations or states can change the world.

Hiking in Lillomarka

On a Sunday in September, some Oslo-based alumni took a socially distanced autumn walk in Lillomarka.

Christmas Quiz

Our traditional December potluck dinner party will hopefully make a comeback next year; this December alumni gathered for a Thursday night digital quiz instead.



National news

A big thank your to Mette at the UWC office!

Ann Charlott Wardle returned from maternity leave in October. Meanwhile, Mette Risom Olsen had been substituting as Director of Administration. This has been a crazy year with major challenges from day one, and certainly a challenging year at the UWC office in Oslo! We are grateful for the hard work and warm consideration Mette has shown throughout this extraordinary year!



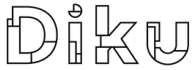
57 000kr fundraised for stranded students

Due to national and international travel restrictions, more than 50 students were stranded at UWC Red Cross Nordic over Christmas. The students were not able to return to their families for the holidays, so the staff did everything in their power give them a pleasant winter break. UWC Norway wanted to contribute to their holidays in a financially challenging time for the school, and launched a fundraising campaign. A total of 115 donors contributed, raising over 57 000 NOK!

Record-breaking membership numbers

2020 was a good year for UWC Norway as a member organization, in that 314 alumni paid their membership fee! This is an incredible contribution in a financially challenging year! The membership income mounted to 129 846 NOK, and is a contribution towards activities such as network events, introduction camp for new students, administration and short course scholarships.





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Currency adjustments of scholarships

As most of the scholarships are paid in foreign currencies, even small currency fluctuations can have a huge impact on our budget! In Norway, all university level scholarships are currency adjusted, while the scholarships UWC Norway receives are not. In 2020 and 2021 UWC Norway will be working with the Association of Norwegian Students Abroad (ANSA) and our governmental partner Diku, to advocate for the inclusion of high school students in the existing policy.

New Rector at UWC Red Cross Nordic

In 2019, Hege Myhre was appointed as the new Rector of the college, and 2020 was the year she officially joined the movement. We are looking forward to years of good collaborations with Hege and the rest of the crew at UWC RCN.



New UWC Norway Merch!

Stay visible in the dark with UWC Norway's new reflectors, or make it clear to everyone that you are a UWC'er with a luggage tag and our brand new stickers. With these new additions we offer stickers, two types of reflectors, baggage tags, mugs, tote bags and t-shirts! You can buy UWC Norway merch at our events or email our office at info@no.uwc.org.



Funding & Results

All numbers in NOK

Assets

Current Assets	2020	2019
Debtors:		
Accounts receivables	389 606	166 782
Other receivables	87 010	246 232
Total debtors	476 616	413 015
Bank Deposits:		
Cash and deposits	7 790 490	6 256 186
Total current assets	7 267 106	6 669 201
TOTAL ASSETS	7 267 106	6 669 201

Equity and Liabilities

Equity

Dagfinn Paust Fond	200 000	200 000
Other equity	5 126 580	5 126 580
Unallocated equity	161 237	
TOTAL EQUITY	5 487 817	5 326 580

Liabilities

Long Term Liabilities:	2020	2019
Funds for need-based scholarships	1 152 298	1 333 798
Total long term liabilities	1 152 298	1 333 798
Current Liabilities:		
Advance from Students	162 649	0
Alumni gifts for UWCs	83 964	3 550
Other short term liabilities	219 140	5 272
Total current liabilities	465 753	8 822
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1 618 051	1 342 621

TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	7 105 868	6 669 201
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Operating income and expences

Income	2020	2019
Government grants through Diku - scholarships	5 948 695	5 429 118
Government grants through Diku - promotion	150 000	200 000
Norwegian State Educational Loan Fund	8 916 154	9 069 707
Students' contribution	3 375 000	2 834 000
Other	33 505	200
Membership fee	129 846	38 045
Donations	54 888	11 959
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	18 607 599	17 583 028

Expences

School fees	18 050 927	17 429 832
Short course	0	40 778
Administration:		
Office rent	71 160	66 352
Office compensation from UWC RCN	-87 010	-75 623
Revisjon og regnskap	31 875	22 500
Administration expenses	17 278	43 773
Communication	87 653	179 184
Events	81 792	138 462
Travel	-5 480	72 015
Meetings	20 181	42 076
Konstaterte tap på fordringer	0	-16 305
Other	0	14 437
Total administration	237 189	527 649
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	18 288 116	17 957 482

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS	319 483	-374 453
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Financial income and expenses

Other interest received	2 991	5 369
FINANCIAL ITEMS, NET	2 991	5 369

RESULTS OF THE YEAR	322 474	-369 084
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UWC Norway Events in 2021

Digitale vårarrangementer

Digitale arrangementer annonseres på våre Facebooksider. Følg med!

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Sommerfest

Vi krysser fingrene for å kunne møtes på den årlige sommerfesten for alle UWCs venner, familie og alumni. Vær med på å ønske nye elever velkommen og markere avgangskullet!

UWC-dagen 21

Vi markerer den årlige UWC-dagen!

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Julebord

Julebord for elever, foreldre, alumni, venner og nettverk på Abbediengen Hovedgård i Oslo

Vi starter opp med minglekvelder på Tøyen igjen når ting nærmer seg normalen!



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