

One Life.  
Realize Your Potential.  
Be a Catalyst for Positive Change.



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## Who We Are

UWC ISAK Japan is a coeducational boarding school, serving students in G10-12, located in the temperate mountain forests of Karuizawa, Japan. We are the 17th United World College.

### UWC ISAK Japan as a United World College

The shared mission of the United World Colleges is to make education a force to unite people, nations and cultures for peace and a sustainable future.

### UWC ISAK Japan's unique identity within the UWC Movement

At UWC ISAK Japan we empower each other to be transformational leaders who explore new frontiers and make a positive impact today and in the future.

Leadership training and opportunities for students are integrated throughout, from G10 classes to the outdoor education programme to social entrepreneurship to policy making within the school itself.

## Accreditations



MEXT Diploma, Ministry of Education of Japan



International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, International Baccalaureate Organisation

## What We Do

### Leadership

The Leadership programme is integral to the UWC ISAK experience:

- G10      Leading Self class (Mindful Self-Discipline)  
            Leading Others class (Design Innovation)
- G11      Leadership Essentials (for new G11 students)
- G11-12  Leadership Projects in Social Entrepreneurship  
            Outdoor Education Stream 3 Team Building
- G10-12  Student initiated, Student run activities

### Outdoor Education

All students participate in the outdoor education program in one of three streams:

- Stream 1  Exposure - students participate in 3 outdoor activities and one overnight camp
- Stream 2  Development - students identify and develop particular outdoor skills
- Stream 3  Team Building - students design a personal challenge and lead experiences for others

## Evolution

- 2014-15  Founded as International School of Asia, Karuizawa  
Enrollment opens with 58 G10 students
- 2016-17  First graduating class of 52 students
- 2017-18  ISAK becomes UWC ISAK Japan  
First group of 35 G11 students welcomed from National Committee selection
- 2018      Enrollment reaches capacity
- 2019      First graduating UWC graduating class, 72 students

## Today

- Total enrollment 190 students
  - 72 nationalities represented
  - 45 Japanese students, 145 International students
  - 100% of students board on campus
  - G10 class 41 students, all admitted by UWC ISAK Admissions
    - 18 nationalities represented
    - 16 Japanese students, 25 international students
  - G11 class 76 students
    - 35 students admitted by UWC ISAK Admissions
    - 41 students admitted by UWC National Committee
  - G12 class 72 students
    - 41 students admitted by UWC ISAK Admissions
    - 31 students admitted by UWC National Committee
- 128 students receiving Financial Aid
  - 15 students receiving less than 50% aid
  - 64 students receiving between 50-99% aid
  - 49 students receiving 100%+ aid
- 153 students whose home language is other than English
- Total faculty 44
  - 13 nationalities represented
  - 52% of faculty board on campus

# What We Do

## Curriculum and Academic Pathways

- Grade 10: in-house curriculum of pre-IB courses
- Grade 11 and 12: all classes use the IBDP curriculum
- UWC ISAK Japan pathway: Students take a combination of IB classes, research essay and TOK that also meet the requirements of the Japanese Ministry of Education's MEXT High School Diploma.
- IBDP pathway: Students meet all requirements of the IB Diploma Programme

## Courses

Grade 10	IB Group 1: Language & Literature	Group 2: Language Acquisition	Group 3: Individuals & Societies	Group 4: Sciences	Group 5: Mathematics	Group 6: The Arts
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English</li> <li>• Japanese</li> <li>• Mathematics</li> <li>• Leading Self</li> <li>• Leading Others</li> <li>• History/ Geography/ Civics</li> <li>• Physical Education</li> <li>• Information Science</li> <li>• Science</li> <li>• Art</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chinese A Lang &amp; Lit</li> <li>• English A Lang &amp; Lit</li> <li>• Japanese A Lang &amp; Lit</li> <li>• Spanish A Lang &amp; Lit</li> <li>• Language A Self-Study</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spanish B</li> <li>• English B</li> <li>• Mandarin B</li> <li>• Japanese B</li> <li>• Japanese Ab Initio (SL)</li> <li>• Spanish Ab Initio (SL)</li> <li>• Mandarin Ab Initio (SL)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History</li> <li>• Global Politics</li> <li>• Economics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology</li> <li>• Chemistry</li> <li>• Computer Science</li> <li>• Physics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mathematics</li> <li>• Math Studies (SL)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visual Art</li> <li>• Music</li> <li>• Film</li> </ul>
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environmental Systems And Societies</li> </ul>			

IBDP courses offered at Higher and Standard Level, unless otherwise noted.

## How We Do

With only two graduating classes of different sizes, selected by different admissions processes, longitudinal data is not yet statistically significant.

	Class of 2017				Class of 2018			
	IB	SAT			IB	SAT		
		EBRW	MATH	COMBINED		EBRW	MATH	COMBINED
Highest	43	750	800	1530	43	770	790	1550
Mean	34.3	612	673	1284	31.9	620	675	1295
Median	34	590	680	1280	31	625	710	1325
Mid-50%	31-38	570-680	610-760	1190-1410	28-36	570-680	620-750	1200-1410

## Where We Go

The Class of 2018 was accepted to the following Colleges and Universities, and matriculated at those listed in **boldface** type:

<b>CANADA</b> McGill University <b>Quest University</b> <b>University of British Columbia</b> University of Toronto	University of Leiden University of Maastricht University of Twente <b>Groningen University</b>	Boston College Bowdoin College <b>Carnegie Mellon University</b> Colby College Colgate University <b>College of the Atlantic</b> Columbia College Chicago Earlham College Fordham University Ithaca College Kalamazoo College Lehigh University Loyola Marymount University <b>Luther College</b> <b>Macalester College</b> <b>Minerva KGI</b> Middlebury College Mount Holyoke College New York University Northeastern University Pepperdine University <b>Pitzer College</b> Purdue University <b>Randolph Macon College</b> <b>Ringling College of Art &amp; Design</b> Savannah College of Art and Design (ATL) Rochester Institute of Technology	San Jose State University <b>Sarah Lawrence College</b> School of the Art Institute of Chicago <b>Skidmore College</b> Swarthmore College Syracuse University <b>Tufts University (SMAC)</b> Union College <b>University of California Berkeley</b> University of California Los Angeles University of California San Diego University of Illinois University of Michigan University of Pennsylvania University of Puget Sound <b>University of Rochester</b> <b>University of Washington</b> University of Southern California Wartburg College <b>Wheaton College</b> Whitman College <b>Worcester Polytechnic Institute</b>
<b>FRANCE</b> Versailles Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines University Paris-Est Créteil University	<b>UNITED KINGDOM</b> Bristol University Durham University Edinburgh Napier University Goldsmith's, University of London Imperial University <b>King's College</b> Leeds College of Art & Design London School of Economics Nottingham Trent University University of London St. Andrew's University St. George's University The Glasgow School of Art <b>University of the Arts London</b> <b>University College London</b> University of Bath University of Leeds University of Warwick	<b>UNITED STATES</b> Agnes Scott College Bates College Bennington College	<b>VIETNAM</b> <b>RMIT University Vietnam</b>  <b>GAP YEAR</b> Semester at Sea
<b>HONG KONG</b> Hong Kong Polytechnic University <b>Savannah College of Art and Design (HK)</b>			
<b>JAPAN</b> iCLA, Yamanashi Gakuin University <b>International Christian University</b> <b>Keio University</b> Sophia University Tokyo International University <b>Waseda University</b> <b>Temple University, Japan</b>			
<b>NETHERLANDS</b> <b>University of Amsterdam</b>			