

Applying to UIC

: International Students Track

Admission Tracks

There are different admission tracks for applying to Underwood International College (hereinafter "UIC") depending on the eligibility of the students.

This application guideline is for **International Students** who wish to study at UIC.

Admission Track	International Students	Korean Students
Eligibility	The applicant and both of his/her parents must be of non-Korean nationality	The applicant has completed his/her entire elementary, middle, high school education outside Korea for 12 years or more OR The applicant has graduated from either a domestic or an overseas high school
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Eligibility for the International Students Track

- Students must either hold or expect to hold a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency as defined by Article 98 of Enforcement Decree of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act before matriculating at UIC.
GED, home schooling, cyber schooling, or other equivalent certificates are not considered as a high school diploma, thus does not satisfy the minimum criteria for eligibility.
- The student must be a non-Korean with non-Korean parents as stated by Article 3 of the Nationality Act. If the student or any one of the student's parents has dual citizenship with Korea, the student is NOT eligible for the International Students Track. Foreigners who are ethnically Korean must submit legal documentation that verifies their renunciation of Korean citizenship.
- If a student is a foreigner who is ethnically Korean, the student and both of the parents must have acquired foreign citizenships before the student entered high school in order to apply for the International Students Track, as stated the basic guidelines for university admissions.
- Korean adoptees with a foreign nationality are eligible to apply for the International Students Track only if he/she acquired the foreign citizenship before entering elementary school (Grade 1).

※ Key Changes

- Applicants who have been subject to a disciplinary measure under Article 17 of the Act on the Prevention of and Countermeasures Against School Violence shall be subject to qualitative consideration in the document evaluation.
- Addition of the required documents for all applicants.

Unit	Until AY2026 intake	From AY2027 intake
All divisions within Underwood International College	Submission of English proficiency test scores is OPTIONAL. (Not required)	Required to submit documents proving English proficiency or equivalents • TOEFL PBT/CBT/iBT; IELTS; CEFR English Certification; IB DP English A: Language and Literature or English A: Literature; AP English Language and Composition; AP English Literature and Composition (No minimum scores) OR • A high school diploma(or expected graduation certificate) issued by a school located in a country where English is the sole official language(the United States, Canada excluding Quebec, the United Kingdom, Australia, and New Zealand) OR • For applicants who completed the entire high school curriculum in English(except for native language/history courses), a Medium of Instruction certificate. ■ In the case of applicants who completed the entire high school curriculum in English but cannot obtain the Medium of Instruction certificate, the relevant fact may be certified by the high school registrar or principal using UIC's Letter of Consent & Verification form.

1. Admissions Schedule(in Korea Standard Time)

Admission Round	The 1 st Round	The 2 nd Round (TBD)
Entry Term	Spring 2027	Fall 2027
Online Application	10AM on August 26 th , 2026 – 5PM on September 22 nd , 2026	March, 2027
Document Submission Deadline	5PM on October 2 nd , 2026	March, 2027
Interview (online)	December 11 th - 12 th , 2026	June, 2027
Admission Notification	5PM on December 18 th , 2026	June, 2027

1. Hard copies of all application materials must arrive at the UIC Office by the document submission deadline. If the applicant fails to submit the required application documents by the deadline, the applicant will not be interviewed and will be disqualified. Specifically, failure to submit any of the required documents will result in disqualification. The Admissions Committee may consider an application **postmarked earlier than the online application deadline** as an exception.

* As it is the applicant's responsibility to keep the admissions schedule, the UIC office will NOT extend the deadline under any circumstances.

2. Students are required to participate in the interview on the assigned date and time and the check-up call during the assigned period prior to the interview.
3. The UIC Office provides information on visas, tuition payment and course enrollment via the individual email addresses noted on the applications. Students entering in the spring semester (March) will receive an email in late December, and students entering in the fall semester (September) in late June.

2. Admissions Process

Document Review (200 points)	The Admissions Committee makes a comprehensive and holistic review of each applicant on a 200-point scale based on academic achievements as well as non-academic accomplishments.
Interview (100 points)	Applicants will be interviewed by the Admissions Committee and will be graded on a 100-point scale.
Total (300 points)	The Admissions Committee makes an admissions decision based on a total score of comprehensive documents review as well as the interview.

1. Information regarding admissions (e.g. arrival of application, application number, date of the interview, and admissions notification) and scholarships will be provided via individual email addresses noted on the applications.
 - * It is the applicant's responsibility to submit all the documents by the deadline, thus he/she is responsible for any disadvantages caused by not submitting the required documents.
2. Applicants who submitted the documents required for application by the deadline will receive two calls: First for the applicant verification and second for the interview.

3. Evaluation Method

- An Admissions Committee pursuant to admissions procedures and regulations of Yonsei University will evaluate international applicants.
- Members of the Admissions Committee, evaluation scores, and contents will not be disclosed.
- Evaluation of an applicant will be done continuously and comprehensively throughout the admission process by reviewing the application package and interviewing the applicant.
- The Admissions Committee offers admission and admission scholarships to applicants based on his/her academic achievements, personal attributes, contributions to the cultural diversity, etc.
- Applicants who have been subject to a disciplinary measure under Article 17 of the Act on the Prevention of and Countermeasures Against School Violence shall be subject to qualitative consideration in the document evaluation.

4. Selection of Division

Divisions within UIC	Major(s)	Campus
Underwood	• Comparative Literature and Culture • Economics • International Studies • Political Science and International Relations • Life Science and Biotechnology	• Freshmen courses are offered at International Campus in Songdo • Major courses are offered at Sinchon Campus
Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences (HASS)	• Asian Studies • Information and Interaction Design • Creative Technology Management • Culture and Design Management • Justice and Civil Leadership • Quantitative Risk Management • Science, Technology, and Policy • Sustainable Development and Cooperation	• Freshmen courses are offered at International Campus in Songdo • Major courses to be offered at International Campus in Songdo
Integrated Science and Engineering (ISE)	• Bio-Convergence • Energy and Environmental Science and Engineering • Nano Science and Engineering	

1. Applicants must carefully select a division upon application, since majors can be selected and changed only within a division.
2. Selection of major is done at the end of the freshmen year.
3. As Yonsei is founded by American missionary, it is mandatory to take some Christian courses and chapels.

5. Application Policies

1. Applicants must provide a full name that is verifiable through legal documents, such as passport, social security card, and birth certificate.
2. **All documents must be in "English."** Documents in other languages including Korean should be accompanied by a notarized English translation.
3. **Unless stated otherwise, all documents must be ORIGINAL. If the applicant cannot submit original documents, the applicant may submit a photocopy with a seal affixed by the issuing institution or with Notarization.**
4. Documents submitted for admission will NOT be returned.
5. No cancellation or modification of an application will be permitted after submission. The application fee is non-refundable, including cases where an applicant submits an application in error due to their own responsibility(e.g., applying for the international admissions track despite not being eligible).

6. Application Methods

We want to make it easy for you to apply. Therefore, at Underwood International College, we offer two different online application options.

Application Fee: KRW 150,000 (or USD 150)

■ Method 1: Direct Application to UIC

Applicants must complete **an online application and then send the application materials to the UIC office by post.**

Step 1. Online Application: Submit your application

Applicants must apply online through the UIC website. All the information that you register on the website will be kept confidential and used for admissions-related purposes only. After applicants complete an online application, they should print out the registered information and then send it to the UIC Office with other Application Materials.

The Online Application can be found at
UIC website (<http://uic.yonsei.ac.kr>) > Admissions > Apply Now

Step 2. Offline Application: Submit your Application Materials to the UIC Office by the Application Deadline

- Address:
UIC International Admissions
(Daewoo Hall Annex 301)
Underwood International College, Yonsei University
50 Yonsei-ro, Seodaemun-gu, Seoul 03722, Republic of Korea
- Contact number:
Tel: 82-2-2123-3942

■ Method 2: Application by the Common Application

Applicants must complete an online application through Common App and then send the application materials to the UIC office by post.

UIC does not offer/accept a fee waiver.

Step 1. Online Application: Submit your application on Common Application

If you are applying to US schools as well as to UIC, you can use the Common Application (<https://www.commonapp.org>). Once you have set up a Common Application account, search for, add "Underwood International College", and complete your application.

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7. Application Materials

■ Required Documents

1. A printed copy of your Application Form as you registered through Online Application(Method 1) or Common App
2. Letter of Consent & Verification (Available on the UIC website)
3. **[Apostille/Consulate Authentication]** Official transcripts* from all high schools attended
4. **[Apostille/Consulate Authentication]** Certificate of graduation* or certificate of expected graduation* (in the latter case, certificate of graduation must be submitted before matriculation)
5. English proficiency test scores or equivalents.

Applicants must submit one of the following as proof of English proficiency: an official score report for a recognized English proficiency test listed below; a high school diploma(or expected graduation certificate) issued by a school located in a country where English is the sole official language(the United States, Canada excluding Quebec, the United Kingdom, Australia, and New Zealand); or, for applicants who completed the entire high school curriculum in English except for native language/history courses, a Medium of Instruction certificate.

TOEFL PBT/CBT/iBT; IELTS; CEFR English Certification; IB DP English A: Language and Literature or English A: Literature AP English Language and Composition; AP English Literature and Composition (No minimum scores)

※ If an applicant is unable to obtain an official certificate for IB DP English A: Language and Literature or English A: Literature, AP English Language and Composition; AP English Literature and Composition, the relevant fact may be certified by the high school registrar or principal using UIC's Letter of Consent & Verification form.

※ In the case of applicants who completed the entire high school curriculum in English but cannot obtain the Medium of Instruction certificate, the relevant fact may be certified by the high school registrar or principal using UIC's Letter of Consent & Verification form.

6. One copy of the applicant's and his/her parents' passports or ID cards
7. One notarized copy of the applicant's birth certificate or notarized legal documentation that verifies the relationship between the applicant and his/her parents

※ Applicants with Chinese nationality must submit notarized copies of 亲属关系证明 and 居民户口簿.

8. **[Foreigners residing in Korea]** must submit the applicant's and his/her parents' Certification of Alien Registration (외국인등록사실증명)
9. **[Foreigners with Korean ethnicity]** must submit legal documentation that verifies the renunciation of the applicants' and his/her parents' Korean citizenships, such as a Certificate of Family Relationship that shows Renunciation of Korean Citizenship by the Korean government, 국적상실사실 확인증명 issued from Korean Consul or 국적이탈신고 확인증명 issued from the Ministry of Justice, and notarized copy of Alien Registration Card issued after the year 2011.

* 국적상실(이탈)사실신고 접수증 및 신고서 is not acceptable.

- * **Documents that must obtain Apostille or Consulate Authentication before matriculating at UIC. (Refer to the "Apostille/Consulate Authentication Requirement".)**

▣ Supplementary Documents (recommended for submission)

1. Documents certifying the scores of high school graduation exams or higher education entrance exams listed under the Test Information (e.g. SAT, ACT, GCE-A LEVEL, IB, AP, GAO KAO, Matura, etc.).
2. When an applicant reports the records of standardized exams (eg: Duolingo English Test, IELTS, TOEFL, SAT, AP etc.) directly to Yonsei University, they must inform [uicadm@yonsei.ac.kr] of the applicant's English name and the date of the test so that the scores can be evaluated and they must send a hard copy of the result(s) at the UIC office by post. If the student does not inform [uicadm@yonsei.ac.kr] of the reporting and, as a result, the scores are not evaluated, the responsibility lies entirely on the applicant. (ETS Institution Code: 9893, College Board Code: 7441, Duolingo Institution : Yonsei University International Admissions)
3. Honors, awards, and qualifications attained during high school and documents that certify extra-curricular activities from high school should be filed with the List of Supplementary Documents. Provide copies with a seal affixed from the issuing institution or Notarization.
4. Application Materials Checklist (Available on the UIC website)

▣ Apostille/ Consulate Authentication Requirement

- Legalization of high school transcript(s) and certificate of high school graduation are possible by one of the options below. In case of delay, Apostilled documents can be submitted after acceptance, by the designated date.

Overseas high school	(1) obtaining Apostille stamps on the documents if the student has attended or graduated from school(s) in a country that is a member of The Hague Convention (Convention Abolishing the Requirement of Legalization for Foreign Public Documents); or (2) obtaining certifications of the documents from the Korean Embassy or Consular Office in the country where student's school is located
High school in China	(1) CSHI report in English; or (2) Certificate of graduation with Apostille & A copy of certificate of school establishment
High school in Korea	Legalization is not required

- Apostille is issued by the government/public institution of the country in which the school is located. The consulate issue Korean Consulate Confirmation and Foreign Education Validation Confirmation.

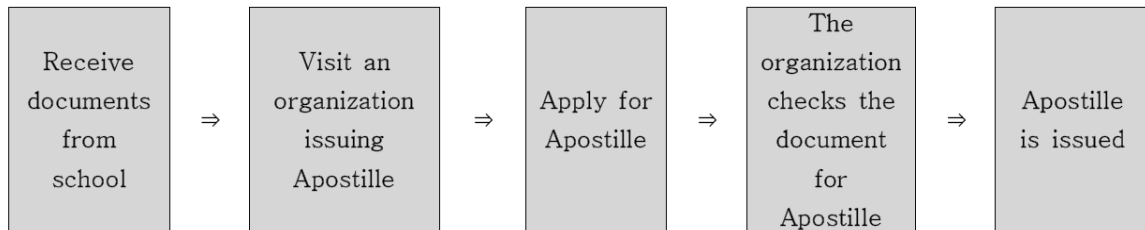
Member countries of the Apostille (as of 2025)

Asia/Oceania	Australia, Bangladesh, China, Macau, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Brunei, Mongolia, Cook Islands, Fiji, India, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Vanuatu, Samoa, Tonga, Niue, Tajikistan, Philippines, Singapore, Indonesia, Pakistan, Palau
Europe	Albania, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Malta, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Kyrgyzstan, Macedonia, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Andorra, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Moldova, Liechtenstein, San Marino, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Kosovo
America	United States of America, Argentina, Mexico, Panama, Suriname, Venezuela, Antigua, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Colombia, Commonwealth of Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Honduras, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, St. Vincent, Peru, Trinidad Tobago, Saint Lucia, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Costa Rica, Uruguay, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Brazil, Chile, Guatemala, Bolivia, Guyana, Jamaica

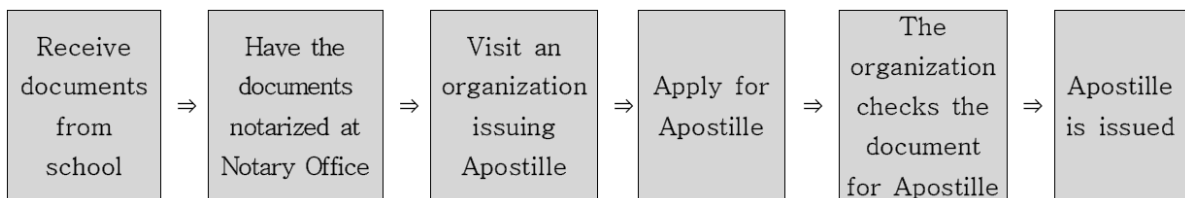
Africa/Middle East

Algeria, South Africa, Botswana, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Eswatini, Lesotho, Liberia, Namibia, Sao Tome and Principe, Swaziland, Malawi, Cape Verde, Seychelle, Oman, Israel, Bahrain, Morocco, Tunisia, Senegal, Saudi Arabia, Rwanda

- For more information on Apostille: <http://www.hcch.net> > Apostille Section
- Process of obtaining Apostille
(1) Public documents (from public schools)



- (2) Private documents (from private schools etc.)



* The definition of private documents can differ from each country according to its own Notary Act and Attorney-at-Law Act. In general, Apostille will be issued when documents notarized in the country are submitted.

8. Points of Caution

■ Admission Policy

1. If the applicant does not comply with University's prescribed process and rules, or does not submit all of the required documents, the applicant will be disqualified.
2. UIC can rescind an offer of admission in case a student does not graduate from high school or does not declare his/her intent to register by paying the total amount of tuition fee.
3. Details on admission decisions will not be released.
4. UIC awards transfer credits for designated Advanced Placement (AP) examinations and International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IB DP) subjects. If admitted students wish to transfer credits, they should submit their official AP, IB exam scores. Please visit the website and check the policy regarding credit transfer.

■ Falsification of Documentation Policy

If a student is found to have applied through illegal means, such as submission of false or forged documents or altered representation of eligibility, his/her admission will be denied. UIC will refuse an application in case students forge or falsify documents, employ substitute(s) during examinations, or do not meet the specific qualifications. If any of the above-mentioned facts are discovered after an admission offer is made, Yonsei will revoke the admission decision and may have the applicant charged with a crime, even after the letter of acceptance has been sent out or course registration has been completed.