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[1] Compulsory education lasts 9 years (6 - 15 age group). It can be accomplished either at primary school or at primary and secondary schools. The last year of compulsory education can be spent at primary school in grade 9 or at secondary school in the first year.

[2] Primary school takes 9 years to complete, the ninth grade is voluntary. Primary school has two stages: the first stage with grades 1 - 4, the second stage with grades 5 - 9. The second stage of primary school is comparable with lower secondary education.

[3] Gymnasium - the study takes four years at least and eight years at most. The four-year gymnasium is linked up to grade 8 or 9 of primary school. The admission to eight-year gymnasium is subject to completing grade 4 of primary school. Both studies are finished by school-leaving examination (*maturita*) providing access to higher education.

[4] Conservatoire represents a specific type of secondary school; the study takes six years, in the field of dance eight years, and is completed with *absolutorium*.

[5] Higher professional education: the study is carried on in secondary specialised schools. It is finished by *absolutorium*. Three-year post secondary study is linked up to successful completing of secondary specialised school by school-leaving examination.