

The main levels of education

1. Primary education

- kindergarten
- primary school (I-IV)

2. Secondary education

- lower secondary school (V-VIII)
- upper secondary school : high school (IX-XII) or professional schools (3 years)

3. Superior education universities (4-6 years) and colleges (2-3 years)



The Romanian educational system





“The function of education is to teach one to think critically. Intelligence plus character—that is the goal of true education.”

Martin Luther King, Jr.

PRINCIPLES OF EDUCATION IN ROMANIA

1. The right to learn for all the Romanian citizens without any discrimination
2. Learning in Romanian at all levels and according to the law learning in the minorities' languages or in an international known language.
3. The learning is based on freedom of conscience.
4. General and compulsory public schools
5. Free of charge public schools at all levels
6. Accessible education opened to all levels
7. University autonomy
8. Non-political education
9. Life-long learning

The primary school level

The children get some general knowledge types: reading, writing, calculating and some specific terms.

The lower secondary school level, known as gymnasium

The students acquire some basic general knowledge from the main domains: Romanian Literature, Grammar, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, History, Geography, Biology and two foreign languages – French, English, German and Russian.

The upper secondary school level

The students acquire knowledge from specific areas: science, technology, philology or economics.

The ones in professional schools are taught specific skills necessary in their future jobs.

The university learning level

The students will become professionals in a specific area of knowledge.