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ROMANIAN EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM

CONTENT

√INTRODUCTION ✓ PRE-SCHOOL VPRIMARY ✓ MIDDLE SCHOOL **✓ HIGH SCHOOL ✓ VOCATIONAL ✓ HIGHER**



THE RIGHT TO EDUCATION

The right to education is written in the **Constitution of Romania**, Title II, Chapter II, Article 32. It includes 7 points:

- Compulsory general education, high schools and vocational schools, higher education.
- Education in Romanian language.
- > Minorities have the right to learn and be **educated in their mother tongue**.
- State education **free**.
- > Education at all levels shall take place in **state, private, or confessional** institutions.
- Autonomy of the Universities
- > Freedom of religious education.

The NATIONAL EDUCATION LAW of Romania was published in Official Monitor, part I, number 18, at 10th of January 2011.

According to The National Education Law, the Romanian school system is organized as it follows:

- Pre-school
 Primary
 Secondary
 High school
 Vocational
- ≻ Higher







PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION KINDERGARTEN

- It allows children aged 3-6/7 to attend preschool or preprimary education.
- The preschool education system has a four level structure:
 - Small Group (3–4)
 - Middle Group (4–5)
 - Big Group (5–6)
 - Preparatory Class

The children are usually **fed breakfast and lunch** and, in some cases, they **sleep** in the afternoon.



PRE-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- Art area (drawing, painting, crafts)
- Role play and drama Construction (building blocks, lego)
- Social education
- Cultural education
- Health education
- ➤ Traffic
- Religious education
- Ecological education
- Language (English, German) & Communication
- Mathematics
- Environment
- Music
- Practical education
- Physical education (dance, swimming)



PRIMARY EDUCATION

- operates according to a morning program.
- 4 years (grades 1-4)
- pupils aged 7-10.
- A single teacher for the most subjects. Additional teachers are assigned only for a few specialized subjects.
- At the end of 2nd and 4th grade
 Math and Romanian language exams.





SUBJECTS for Primary Education

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- 4 classes of Math
- 4-5 classes of Romanian Language
- 1 class of History
- 1 class of Geography
- 1-2 classes of Science
- 2 classes of Art (painting and handcrafting)
- 1-3 classes of a foreign language (French, English or German)
- 1 or 2 classes of Introduction to computers
- 1 class of Civic Education
- 1 of Religion
- 1 of Music
- 2 of P.E.

MIDDLE SCHOOL EDUCATION

- Organized and operates as day time education.
- 4 years (grades 5-8)
- pupils aged 11-14.
- Classes are reshaped.
- Many schools have special classes (such as intensive English classes or Informatics classes).
- Pupils have a different teacher for each subject.
- Each class has a teacher designated to be the class principal.

NUMBER OF CLASSES/ WEEK	SUBJECT	- Andrew
4	MATH	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
4	ROMANIAN LANGUAGE	1 · ·
2	HISTORY	
2	GEOGRAPHY	
2	BIOLOGY	
1	I.T.C.	10
4	FOREIGN LANGUAGE	·
2	FOREIGN LANGUAGE II	
2	PHYSICS	
2	CHEMISTRY	2.9
1	LATIN LANGUAGE	2)
1	ART AND MUSIC	0
1	RELIGION	a
1	CIVIC EDUCATION	0.0
1	TECHNOLOGY	
2	P.E.	010

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 At the end of 6th and 8th grade -Math, Romanian language, Geography/ History exams.
 At the end of the 8th year of school (at age 14 or 15) a nation-wide test is taken by all students: The National Test.



HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION

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It comprises the following programs:

- The theoretical program science and humanities
- The technological program technical, services, natural and environmental protection

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The vocational program – military, theological, sports, artistic, and pedagogic

- > 4 years:
 - 2 compulsory (9-10),
 - 2 non-compulsory (11-12)
- > No exams between the 10th and the 11 years.
- Types of high school:
- National College
- Military College
- Economic or Technological College
- Standard High School
- Scholar Group

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

> THEORETICAL

- SCIENCE Mathematics and Computer Programming or Earth Studies
- HUMANITIES Social studies or Languages (3-4 modern languages, 4 years of Latin/ Ancient Greek, literature, social sciences, History, Geography)

> TECHNICAL

 Qualification in a technical field: electrician, industrial machine operator, train driver, mechanic.

> VOCATIONAL

 Qualification in a non-technical field: kindergarten educator, assistant architect, pedagogue.

> SERVICES AND ECONOMICS

• Qualification in the fields of services: waiter, chef, tourism operator.



THE BACCALAUREATE EXAM

Graduating highschool students must take

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the National Baccalaureate Exam (known as The BAC).

It comprises:

- ✓ 2 or 3 oral examinations;
- ✓ 4 or 5 written examinations.

To pass, a student must obtain an average score of at least 6.00 and at least 5.00 at each of the individual exam.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

- organized in vocational schools;
- subordinate to state or private technological high-schools.

Enrolling in a vocational high school must be preceeded by an aptitudinal test (e.g.: artistic, sportive). The programs offered in Romania are:



HIGHER EDUCATION

- **112** universities and colleges of higher education
- the 54 state universities and colleges receive **funding** from the central government
- undergraduate and graduate programs: all fields of study.

The duration of the undergraduate programs varies:

➢ 6-8 semesters: Science, Humanities, Economic, Social Sciences, Law, Communication Sciences

- > 10 semesters: Engineering, Agriculture and Forestry
- > 12 semesters: Architecture, Medicine and Veterinary Sciences

The duration of the graduate programs also varies:

M.A. – 2 years
PhD. – 3 years



THE ADMISSION PROCESS

There is no integrated admission scheme:

 Some universities will give an "admission exam" in a high-school subject
 Other universities developed a system of admission based on essays, interviews and performance assessment.

THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM:

Teaching methods within universities and colleges consist of:

- ✓ lectures
- ✓ seminars
- ✓ student essays
- ✓ research activities.

The academic year runs from 1 October through June and is divided into semesters of approximately 14 weeks each. The Romanian **grading system** is from 1 to 10, with 10 the highest mark and 5 the minimum grade to pass.



There are both private and public institutions in forms of:

- > University
- Academy (training specialists)
- Polytechnical University (technical and practical fields of study)
- Institute (which awards professional degrees based on study and professional experience in limited specializations)
- University College*
- Postgraduate Schools

The structure of THE HISTORY OF PORTUGAL curricula at Bilingual High School

THE HISTORY OF PORTUGAL is a high school subject, needing one class per week. It is part of the "Human being and Society" Curricular Area and it is studied at the Bilingual High School, in the 10th grade. This curricula is very similar to History of Romania subject, the major difference being, of course, the language they are taught in.

The structure of the curricula is as it follows:

- **1.** Introductive elements and Argumentation
- 2. General competences (4 competences)
- 3. Values and attitudes
- 4. Specific competences (3-4 competences for each chapter)
- 5. Chapters (Units)
 - a. Historical spaces and people (Romans and Muslims in the Iberic Peninsula
 - Resistance and Confrontation)
 - b. People, society and Ideas (Portugal in the XIII-XV and XVIII centuries)
 - c. Religion and religious life
 - d. State and Politics
 - e. International relations
- 6. Methodological considerations





Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world. - Nelson Mandela





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