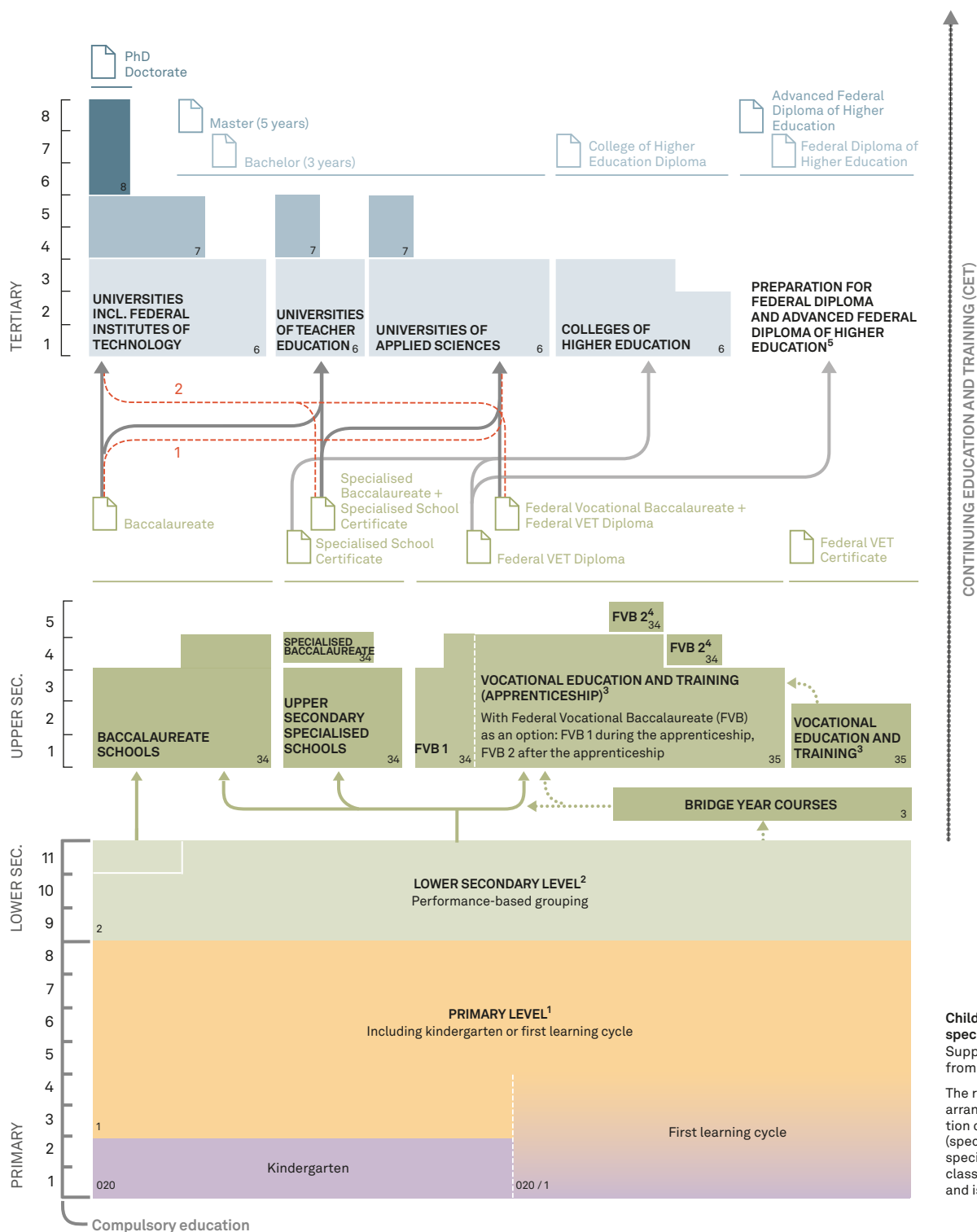


The Swiss Education System



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ISCED | International Standard Classification of Education 2011

- ISCED 8
- ISCED 7
- ISCED 6
- ISCED 4
- ISCED 34 + 35
- ISCED 2
- ISCED 1
- ISCED 020

1 Transition 1: Baccalaureate → Universities of applied sciences (practical training)

2 Transition 2: Federal Vocational Baccalaureate or Specialised Baccalaureate → Universities (additional exam)

1 Two years of kindergarten or the first two years of a first learning cycle: included in compulsory education in the majority of cantons

2 Lower secondary level: 4-year scuola media in the Canton of Ticino (pursuant to exception clause in Art. 6 HarmoS Agreement). Transition to Baccalaureate Schools possible after 10th school year

3 Vocational education and training (apprenticeship): training in a host company + instruction at a VET school + branch courses. For certain professions, a VET diploma can be obtained in a full-time school programme (e.g. in trade or IT schools).

4 FVB 2 Federal Vocational Baccalaureate after apprenticeship: full-time 1 year or part-time 2 years.

5 Federal examination / Federal diploma of higher education = ISCED 6
Advanced federal examination / Advanced federal diploma of higher education = ISCED 7

Children and adolescents with special educational needs
Support through special measures from birth up to age 20

The responsibility for the precise arrangement of special needs education during compulsory education (special schools, special classes, special support integrated in regular classes, etc.) lies with the cantons and is not shown on the chart.