Vocational education and training in Croatia

TERTIARY LEVEL

- EDF 8: PhD programmes (ISCED 844)
- EDF 7: Post-master specialist studies
- EDF 7: Integrated bachelor and master programmes, 5 years (ISCED 746)
- EDF 6: Bachelor programmes, 3-4 years (ISCED 646)
- EDF 5: Professional undergraduate studies, 3-4 years (ISCED 655)
- EDF 5: Short-cycle professional programmes, 2-2.5 years (ISCED 554)
- EDF 5: VET specialist development programmes (** ISCED 453)

SECONDARY LEVEL

- EDF 4: General programmes (gymnasium), 4 years (ISCED 344)
- EDF 4: General nursing qualification programme, 5 years (ISCED 394)
- EDF 4: School-based programmes, 4 years, WBL 10%, (*)
- EDF 4: School-based and apprenticeship programmes, 3 years, WBL 30-60%, (*)
- EDF 3: 1-2 year pr.
- EDF 2: ISCED 351

POST-SECONDARY LEVEL

- EDF 7: Specialists graduate professional programmes, 1-2 years (ISCED 757)
- EDF 6: ISCED 645
- EDF 5: EQF 5
- New model of dual education experimentally offered in some programmes since 2018/19

ADULT LEARNING/CONTINUING TRAINING
(outside the school system)

- Continuing vocational training for a new qualification or update ISCED 351, 353
- Master craftsperson qualification exam

Possible progression routes
- Possible progression route, where prior VET knowledge may be recognised affecting programme duration
- End of compulsory education
- State matura exams which give access to tertiary education are optional for VET students
- (*) New model of dual education experimentally offered in some programmes since 2018/19
- (**) Programmes legally foreseen and not yet implemented

NB: ISCED-P 2011.
Source: Cedefop and ReferNet Croatia, 2019.