Structure of the Education System of Cyprus

Preschool 1 year
Nursery 1-2 years
Primary School 6 years

Optional Education
Mandatory Education
Partially Mandatory Education

Lower Secondary Education (Gymnasium) 3 years
Upper Secondary General Education (Lyceum) 3 years - Apolyterion
Upper Secondary Technical and Vocational Education (Technical School) 3 years - Apolyterion

Private Secondary Education 6 – 7 years

Public Institutions of Higher Education
1. Mediterranean Institute of Management (M.I.M.)
2. The Higher Hotel Institute of Cyprus
3. The Police Academy
4. The School for Tourist Guides
5. Post Secondary Institutes of Vocational Education and Training

Private Institutions of Higher Education, programmes accredited - validated by The Cyprus Agency of Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education
Vocational/academic programmes
Certificate (1 year), Diploma (2 years), Higher Diploma (3 years)

1st Cycle 4 years 240 ECTS Bachelor
2nd Cycle 1 – 2 years 90 – 120 ECTS Masters Degree
3rd Cycle 3 – 8 years Doctorate