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The Swedish Education system

Study visit:

Guidance in the bordering region of Öresund



Swedish Council for
Higher Education

Sweden:

- Third biggest country in EU – 450,000 km²/1574 km from north to south
- Population: 9,6 million
- Unemployment rate, 25-75 years olds: 5,8%
under 25 years: 15,2 %
- 37% higher education among 25-64 year olds

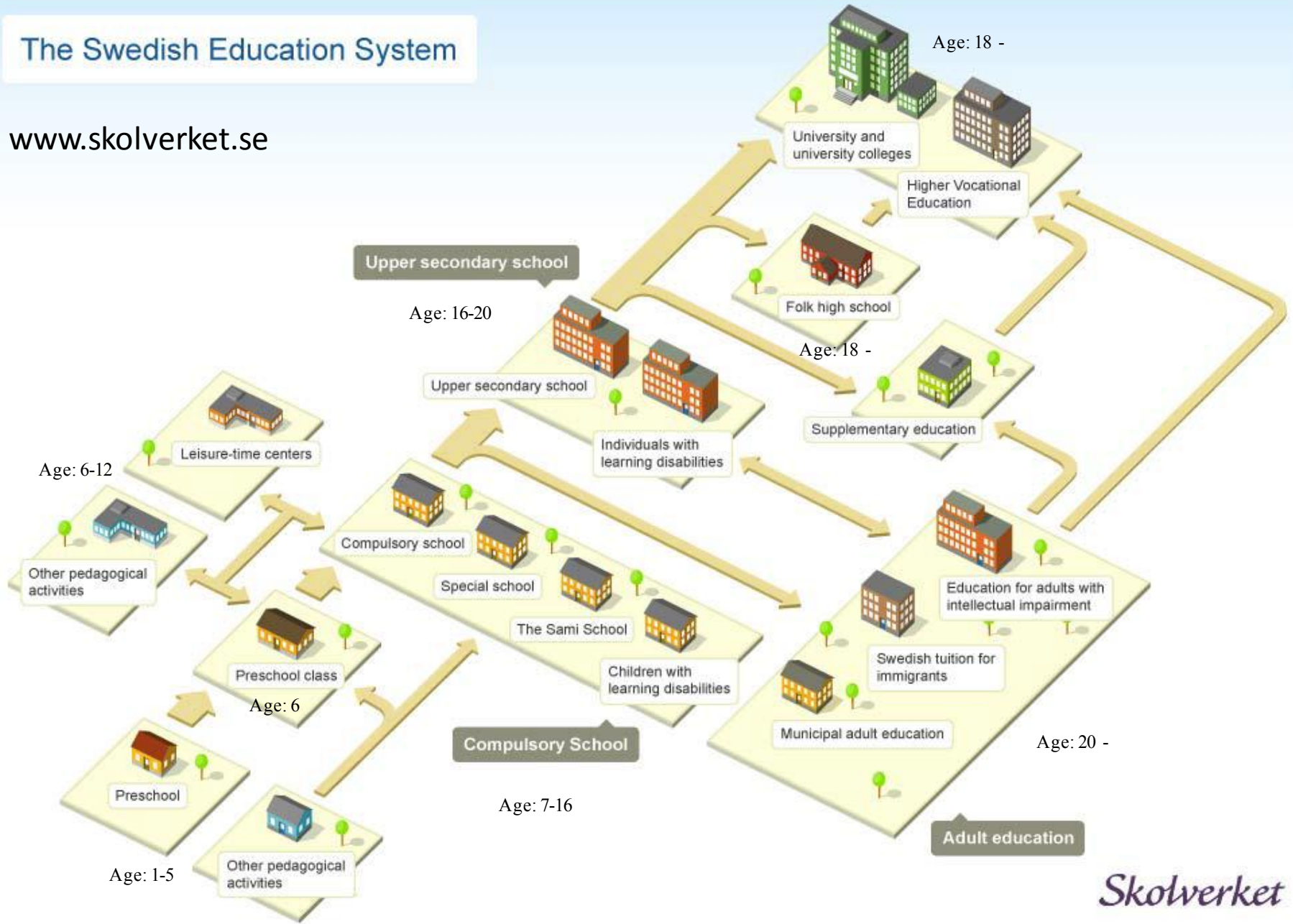
Malmö:

- Population: approx. 300 000 (third biggest city)
- Population from 177 different countries with 150 different languages (31% born elsewhere)
- 30% with higher education



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Preschool



- For children from 1 - 5
- Support for families
- Open all year around

Preschool class

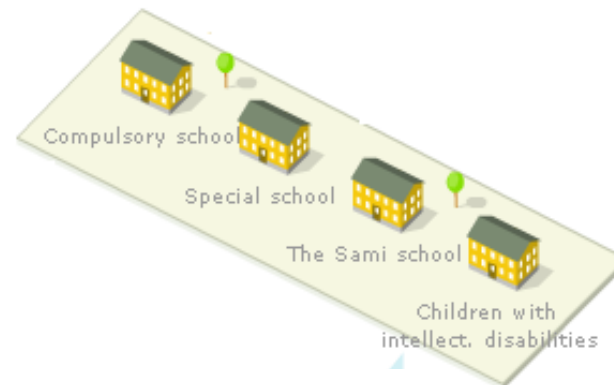


- For 6-year olds
- Preparation for compulsory school

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Compulsory school

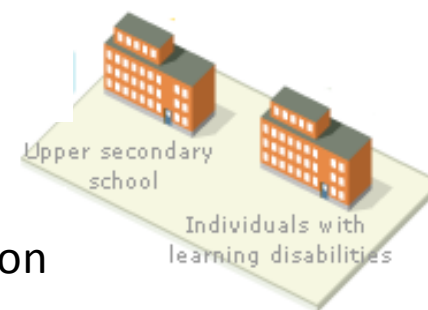
- 9 years of mandatory schooling
- Municipality-run or Independent
- Individual development plans



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Upper secondary school

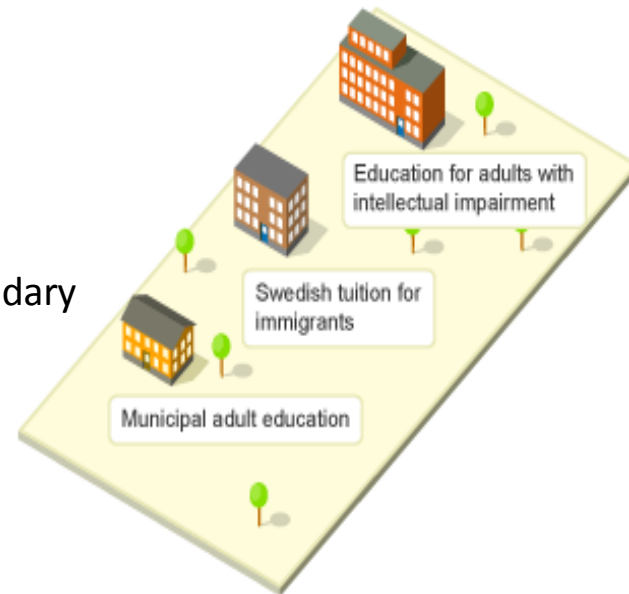
- 3 year
- Non-compulsory
- 18 national programmes;
 - 6 programmes preparatory for higher education
 - 12 vocational programmes
- 5 introductory programmes



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Municipal Adult Education

- Adults over 20
- Non-compulsory
- Publicly funded
- Equivalent to compulsory or upper secondary school
- Swedish for all new adult immigrants



Adult education:

- *Liberal Adult education*
 - Folk high schools: www.folkhogskola.nu
 - Educational associations (study circles)
- *Labour market training offered by the National Employment Service*
- *In-service training at the work place*

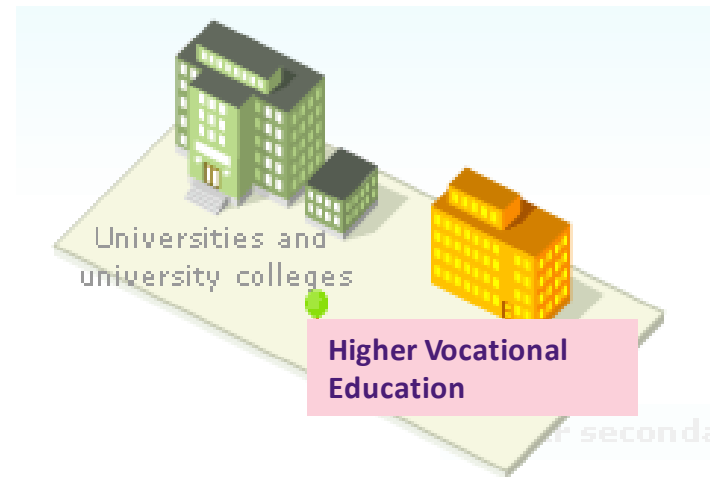
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Higher Vocational Education

- Post-secondary
- Education tailored to meet the needs of the labour market
- 1/3 workplace training

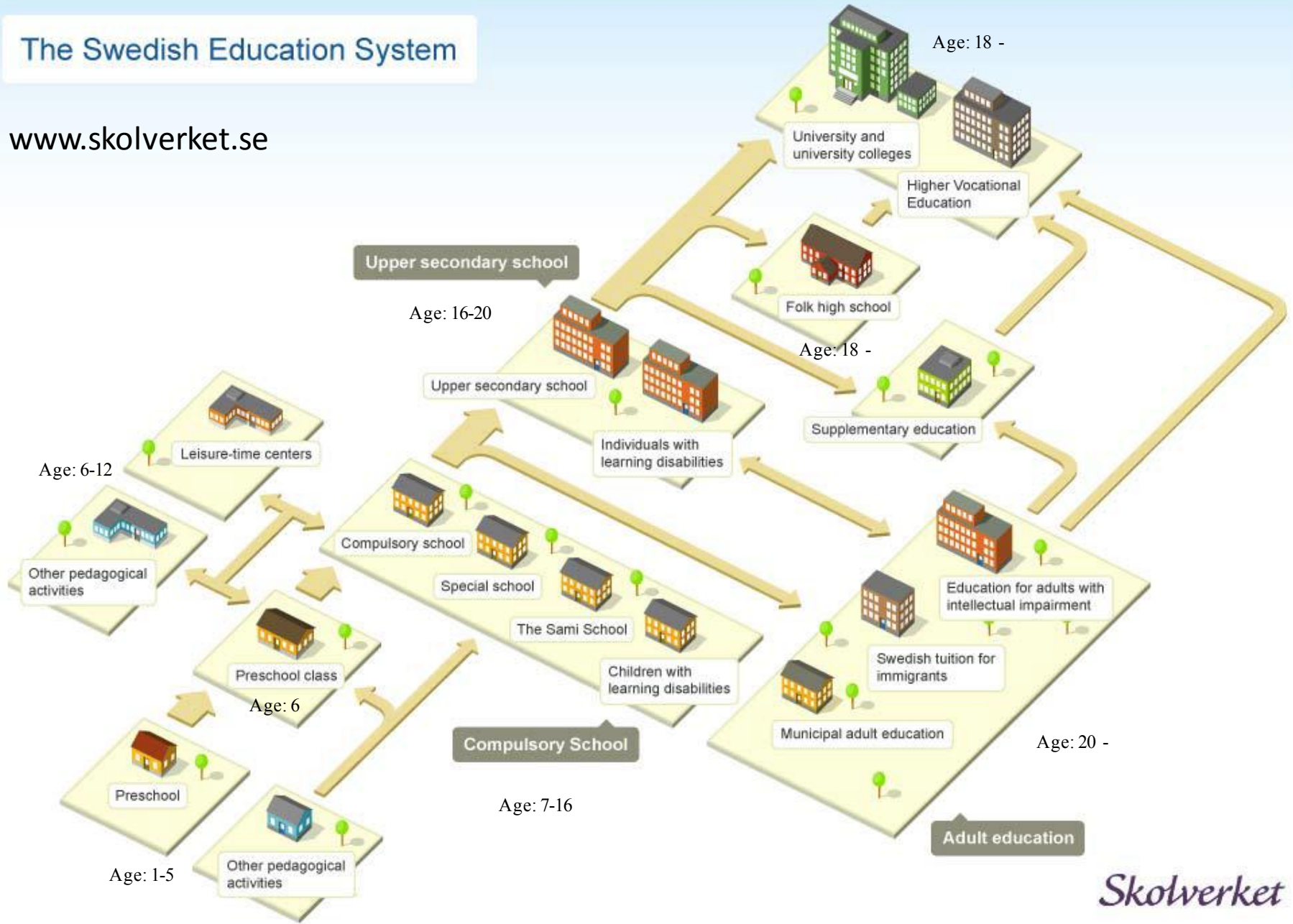
Universities and university colleges

- Basic level (3 years)
- Advanced level (1-2 years)
- Research level (2-4 years)
- Full-time academic year = 60 higher education credits
- State-run - 50 universities and colleges



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Thank you!