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# Tailored advice

Do you have any questions on the topic of education in Switzerland? If so, *educationsuisse* will help you find the right answers.

*educationsuisse* is an expert contact partner for young Swiss Abroad who are interested in studying in Switzerland. The staff provide general information on the different educational opportunities available, whether it is a degree at a Swiss university or a vocational training course. They also answer questions on admission criteria for university study, the required language skills, searching for an apprenticeship, accommodation, insurance and other topics. Nearly all of *educationsuisse*'s services are free of charge.

## Personalised advice

The staff, who speak German, French, Italian, Spanish and English, will help you find the right answers and assist you with any special enquiries. Many questions can be answered by email or by phone. Personal consultations are possible at our office in Bern by prior appointment.

## Vocational & study counselling

Targeted consultations are offered in collaboration with the official careers guidance centre BIZ Bern-Mittelland. During these consultations (in German, French, Italian, Spanish or English) with an expert on-site in Bern or via Skype, you can raise questions regarding your choice of career or study programme. These consultations are subject to a charge. Registration is via *educationsuisse*.

## Scholarships

Any young Swiss Abroad whose parents are unable to cover all the costs of their education may apply for a grant. Young Swiss Abroad usually have the opportunity to apply for a scholarship for their initial qualification (up to and including a tertiary-level Master's degree) in their canton of residence. Every canton has its own laws and regulations and thus also different conditions and deadlines. *educationsuisse* provides assistance with such matters and also looks after the documentation. Furthermore, *educationsuisse* is itself able to award

The OSA Youth Service is conducting a survey to help better meet the expectations of the Swiss Abroad.

Each year, the OSA Youth Service presents various offers for young people from Switzerland living abroad. In a manner of speaking, the Service is a memory maker for these Swiss youngsters living outside their country; through its wide variety of appealing and contemporary offers, it hopes to weave strong ties between them and their homeland. It is for this reason that in order to better meet your expectations, we have compiled a questionnaire that we would be delighted if you could complete.

By filling out the questionnaire, you will be automatically entered into a prize draw\* to win two free sets of two-person tickets for the Congress of the Swiss Abroad, which will take place in Montreux from 16 to 18 August 2019.

This questionnaire will only take a few minutes of your time but will be invaluable for us in providing your children, grandchildren, friends or acquaintances with unforgettable memories of their stay in Switzerland: <https://www.swisscommunity.org/en/youth/youth-offers>. Thank you for your participation and good luck in the prize draw! (MB)

## Information

The winter camps for young people aged 15–18 years and those for young adults will take place from 27 December 2019 to 4 January 2020. They will be organised by the Youth Service of the Organisation of the Swiss Abroad (OSA), Alpenstrasse 26, 3006 Berne, Switzerland; tel.: +41 31 356 61 00; email: [youth@aso.ch](mailto:youth@aso.ch).

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small scholarships or loans in cases of hardship thanks to various funds and private foundations.

## Information and contact

The Swiss educational system is illustrated and outlined in an easy-to-follow diagram on [www.educationsuisse.ch](http://www.educationsuisse.ch). The website also contains a lot more information on the topic of education in Switzerland. Any interested parties who have additional questions are welcome to contact *educationsuisse* by email on [info@educationsuisse.ch](mailto:info@educationsuisse.ch) or by phone on +41 31 356 61 04.

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