

About CS / Informatics curricula and teacher education in NordNICE countries: Latvian case

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Curricula

Informatics curriculum is mandatory both in primary and secondary schools.

In primary school: one hour a week in 5th, 6th, and 7th grade.

In secondary school: 105 hours.

Content of both curriculas – ECDL.



Curricula (2)

In secondary school:

Fundamentals of computer programming (elective course)

105 hours

Content: algorithms and elementary programming.

Implemented in ~ 20-30 secondary schools



Standards

- Primary school Informatics content Annex 7. http://likumi.lv/doc.php?id=268342
- Secondary school Informatics content Annex 5 and Programming Fundamentals - Annex 6.
 http://likumi.lv/doc.php?id=257229



Primary and secondary schools

Comprehensive schools (general education)

796

Secondary schools

354

Teachers

28 545



Pupils (2)

Dynamics

1999/2000 - 347 052

2014/2015 - 199 119



Challenges

Small numbers of

- schools,
- pupils,
- · teaching hours,
 - finances.

Need to regularly refresh teachers' specific skills.



Education of teachers

In three universities 2014/2015

Daugavpils: no bachelor studies

Master studies:

1st year - 5, in total - 17, graduates - 6

Liepāja:

Bachelor studies: 1st year - 9, in total - 9, graduates - 0

Master studies: 1st year - 3, in total - 4, graduates - 1.



Education of teachers (2)

University of Latvia

Bachelor studies: 1st year - 18, in total - 47, graduates - 9.



The end

Paldies!

Ačiū!

Thank you!