# Municipal Adult Education (MAE) in Sweden

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#### **Municipal Adult Education**



## Goals of Municipal Adult Education

- · support and stimulate adult learning
- provide adults with opportunities to develop knowledge and skills in order to strengthen their position in working and societal life and support their personal development
- provide a basis for continued education and training
- provide a basis for national and regional skills supply for the labour market



## The basis of Municipal Adult Education

Adult education is to be centered around the needs of each individual and be based on the needs and requirements, prior knowledge, skills and qualifications gained.

- Assessment and validation of prior learning
- Key words are accessibility, flexibility and adaptation to the individual needs and requirements of each student
- Each student has the right to an individual study plan



#### The basis of Municipal **Adult Education**

- Municipalities are the main providers of MAE
- Eligibility from the age of 20 (students of Swedish for immigrants are eligible from the age of 16)
- Legal right to MAE under certain conditions
- Publicly funded and free of charge and financial support is available

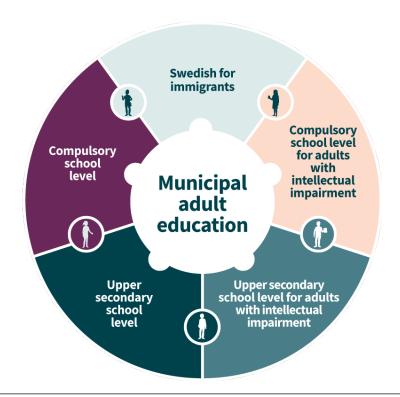


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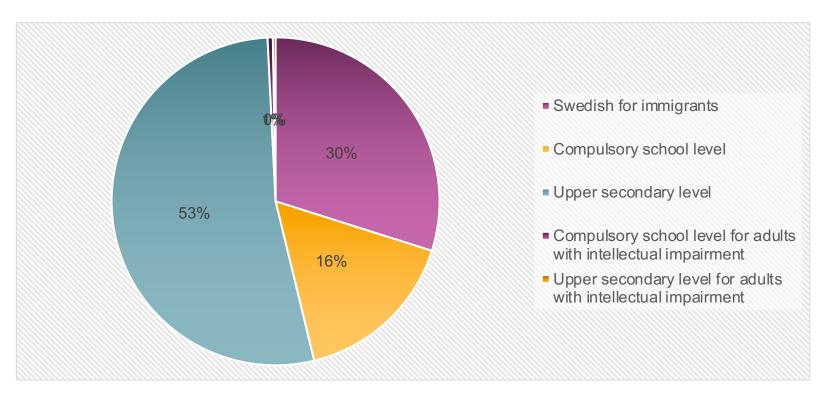
- MAE can be enacted in different ways, e.g. internally organised by the municipalities or through procurement
- 49 % of the students in 2020



#### The five forms of Municipal Adult Education



#### 400 000 students enrolled in MAE in 2020



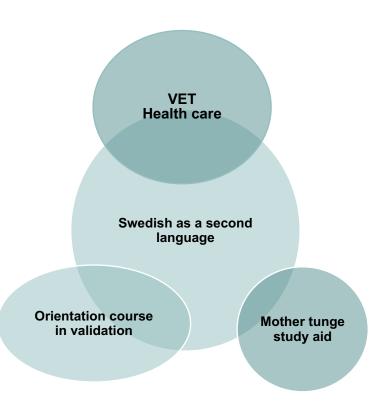
## The students in Municipal Adult Education 2020

- 60 % female students, 40 % male students
- Average age for Swedish-born students: 28 and for foreign-born students: 33
- Migration background:
  95% foreign-born at compulsory level
  46% foreign-born at upper secondary level
- Educational background: differences between Swedish-born students and foreign-born students

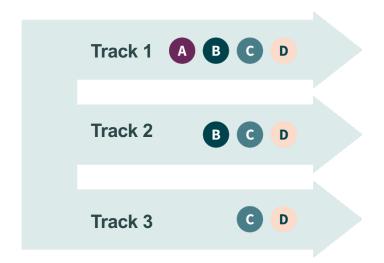


## Municipal Adult Education – provision of courses

- National courses and combinations of courses
- Adaptation and flexibility based on the needs, requirements of the individual and the study goals of the individual



#### **Swedish for immigrants**



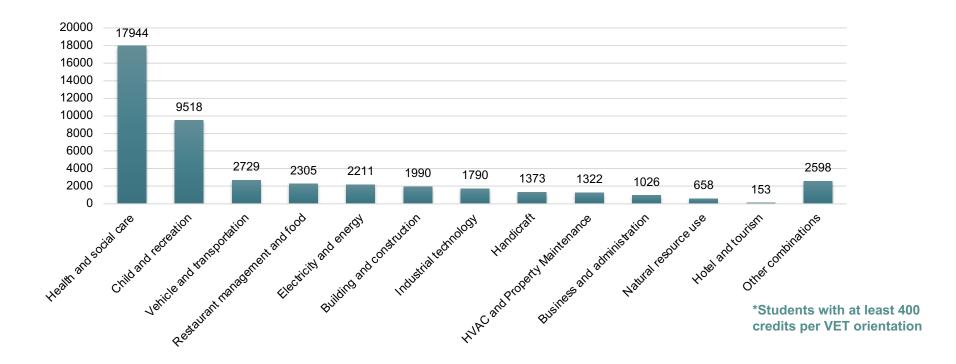


## VET and Municipal Adult Education at upper secondary level

- 107 400 VET-students in 2020
- Increase in number of students (10%)
- Organisation of VET (VET-courses, VET-packages etc.)



#### Number of students in VET 2020\*



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