

ChatGPT



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Papua New Guinea. I just finished primary school in Denmark and am now considering what my next step should be. I'm fluent in danish.

What educational path would you recommend for me?

That's a great question—and a really exciting point in your life! Since you're 16 and just finishing primary school in Denmark (probably referring to **folkeskole**, which usually ends after 9th or 10th grade), you're now choosing between several educational paths. Your decision depends on your **interests**, **strengths**, **and long-term goals**. I'll break down the main options for you and give you guidance depending on what you might enjoy or aim for.

Main Educational Paths in Denmark After Folkeskole

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These prepare you for university. Ideal if you enjoy academic subjects and might want a professional career in the future.

- STX (Almen studentereksamen) Broad, with focus on humanities, sciences, and social studies.
- HHX (Højere handelseksamen) Focus on business, economics, and marketing.
- HTX (Højere teknisk eksamen) Focus on technology and natural sciences.
- **HF (Højere forberedelseseksamen)** 2-year program; more flexible, often used by people who are more mature or want to work/study sooner.

Choose this route if:

- You like subjects like math, science, languages, or business.
- You want to go to university (like to become a doctor, engineer, teacher, or designer).
- You enjoy academic learning.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

This combines school with hands-on work in a real job. You become skilled in a trade or profession.

- Examples: Electrician, carpenter, chef, hairdresser, mechanic, IT support, healthcare assistant.
- Often includes apprenticeships (praktikplads).

Choose this route if:

• You prefer learning by doing (praktisk arbejde).

- You want to start earning money sooner.
- You enjoy working with your hands, solving real-life problems, or creating things.

3. Kombinationsforløb (EUX)

This is a hybrid where you get both a vocational education **and** the qualifications for university.

Great if:

• You want to keep doors open for both skilled work and future academic studies.

Recommendations Based on Your Situation

Since you're:

- Fluent in Danish,
- Have a multicultural background,
- Finished Danish primary school,
- Still exploring your options...

Here are some tailored recommendations:

If you're creative or like people:

- STX (focus on language or art tracks), or
- **EUX** with a focus in design, media, or communication.

If you're into science, tech, or fixing/building things:

• HTX or EUX in a technical field like IT, engineering, or mechanics.

ightharpoonup If you're business-minded:

• HHX is perfect, especially if you're thinking about entrepreneurship or economics.

If you want to help people:

- EUD in healthcare, childcare, or social services, or
- STX/HF followed by a university path in teaching, nursing, psychology, etc.

Final Advice

- **Try talking to a study counselor (UU-vejleder)** they can help you based on your school grades and interests.
- Visit open house events at gymnasier and vocational schools nearby.
- Ask your family and teachers what strengths they see in you.

• Consider **what you enjoy doing in your free time** – that often shows what you might be good at professionally.

If you'd like, I can also help you:

- Explore career options based on your interests,
- Compare specific schools in your area,
- Or help you prepare for applications.

What are you most interested in right now?