

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Saint Kitts and Nevis. 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?

Thanks for sharing that — and congrats on finishing primary school! At 16 in Denmark, you're at a key decision point. The great thing is that Denmark offers a flexible and supportive educational system, and your bilingual and multicultural background is a real asset.

Your Main Options After Primary School in Denmark:

You're likely choosing between these main paths:

1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary General Education)

These are aimed at students who might want to go to university later.

► STX (Almen studentereksamen) – Focus on humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences.

- Good if you like a broad academic program.
- Opens many doors to universities or other higher education.

► HHX (Højere Handelseksamen) – Focus on business and economics.

- Great if you're interested in entrepreneurship, international business, or marketing.

► HTX (Højere Teknisk Eksamen) – Focus on technical and natural science subjects.

- Best if you enjoy science, IT, or engineering.

► HF (Højere Forberedelseksamen) – Shorter (2 years) and more practical.

- Often used by those who want quicker access to professions like nursing, teaching, etc.
- More mature environment, often with older students.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training / EUD)

If you're more hands-on and want to enter the job market with practical skills.

- Can lead to jobs like electrician, carpenter, chef, mechanic, etc.
- Combine school and apprenticeship.

- You can still continue to higher education later (like via **EUX**).

3. **EUX – Vocational + General Education**

A combination of vocational training and upper secondary education.

- You get both a vocational qualification *and* a study diploma.
- Takes longer, but keeps your options open (job or university later).

My Recommendation (Based on What You've Shared):

If you're unsure but interested in learning more before choosing a career, I'd recommend **STX** or **HHX**, depending on your interests:

- **If you enjoy a wide range of subjects, including languages, science, or culture:**
→ Try **STX**.
- **If you're curious about business, trade, or possibly starting your own thing someday:**
→ **HHX** could be a great fit.
- **If you already know you love building, creating, or working hands-on:**
→ Then explore **EUX** or **EUD**, which give you quicker entry into work.

Bonus Tips:

- Talk to a **UU-vejleder (youth guidance counselor)** — they're free and trained to help you choose.
- Try a **brobygning** (bridging course) where you can visit different schools and see what fits.
- Think about what subjects or activities make you feel energized — they're good clues.

Would you like help exploring what careers or interests might match your strengths or personality? I can guide you through that too.