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I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from New Zealand. 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 your background—you're in a great position with a lot of possibilities ahead. Since you've just finished primary school (which usually ends after 9th or 10th grade in Denmark), you're at the stage where you choose your upper secondary education path. I'll break down your main options and give you guidance based on different goals you might have.

Overview of Danish Upper Secondary Education Paths

1. STX (Almen Studentereksamen)

- **What it is:** General upper secondary school with a broad range of subjects (sciences, humanities, social studies).
- **Length:** 3 years
- **Good if:**
 - You want to keep your options open for university.
 - You like academic subjects and theoretical learning.
 - You're not sure what you want to do yet.

2. HHX (Higher Commercial Examination Programme)

- **Focus:** Business, economics, and international trade.
- **Length:** 3 years
- **Good if:**
 - You're interested in business, marketing, or working internationally.
 - You might want to go into business studies or commerce at university.
 - You're bilingual and have international roots (like you!), which could be great in global business.

3. HTX (Higher Technical Examination Programme)

- **Focus:** Technology, natural sciences, IT.
- **Length:** 3 years
- **Good if:**

- You're interested in engineering, technology, programming, or sciences.
- You enjoy problem-solving and hands-on work.

4. EUX (Vocational + Academic Path)

- **What it is:** A mix of vocational training and academic subjects.
- **Length:** ~4 years
- **Good if:**
 - You want a job-ready qualification (like carpenter, electrician, etc.) but also want the option to go to university.
 - You prefer practical learning but don't want to close off academic options.

5. EUD (Vocational Education and Training)

- **Focus:** Direct training for a specific trade or profession.
- **Length:** 2–4 years
- **Good if:**
 - You already know what kind of job or craft you want.
 - You prefer hands-on, practical work and want to enter the job market quickly.

Which One Is Right for You?

Here are a few questions to guide your choice:

- **Do you enjoy academic subjects or more hands-on work?**
- **Do you have a strong interest in business, tech, or science?**
- **Are you considering university in Denmark or maybe New Zealand someday?**
- **Do you want to keep options open or specialize early?**

Bonus Consideration: Your NZ Background

- Being bilingual and bicultural is a **huge asset**.
- Consider international programs (e.g., **IB – International Baccalaureate**) if you're interested in studying abroad later, especially in NZ, Australia, or other English-speaking countries.
- HHX or STX with international electives could be great if you might go into global business, law, politics, or communication.

✨ Personal Recommendations Based on Common Interests

| Interest Area | Good Path |
|---------------|---------------------|
| Not sure yet | STX (most flexible) |

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|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Business & economics | HHX |
| Engineering, IT, tech | HTX or EUX Tech |
| Hands-on career | EUD or EUX |
| International studies | STX w/ languages or IB |

💡 Final Tips

- Visit open house days at local schools ("åbent hus").
- Talk to a **studievejleder** (education counselor) at your school.
- Think about where you see yourself in 5–10 years—but don't stress! You can change paths later.

If you tell me more about your interests (hobbies, favorite school subjects, dream jobs), I can give you a much more tailored suggestion. Want to share a bit more?