

Uddannelsesmuligheder i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Benin. 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 an important decision. Since you're 16 and just finished **primary school** in Denmark, you're at the stage where most Danish students choose between different types of **youth education** (ungdomsuddannelse). Here's a breakdown to help guide your decision:

First, Ask Yourself:

1. What are you interested in?

- Do you enjoy academic subjects like math, science, languages?
- Or are you more into practical, hands-on learning?

2. Do you have an idea of what career you might want in the future?

- University? Skilled trade? Creative profession? Business?

Your Main Educational Options in Denmark (After Primary School)

1. STX (Almen studentereksamen)

- Focus: Academic, general education (science, humanities, social studies).
- Best if: You want to go to university but are not yet sure in which subject.
- Duration: 3 years.
- Leads to: University studies (wide range).

2. HHX (Højere handelseksamen)

- Focus: Business, economics, marketing, international trade.
- Best if: You're interested in business, finance, or entrepreneurship.
- Duration: 3 years.
- Leads to: University studies (especially business-related), or jobs.

3. HTX (Højere teknisk eksamen)

- Focus: Science, technology, IT, and design.
- Best if: You like math, science, technology, or engineering.

- Duration: 3 years.
- Leads to: Technical university studies or tech-related careers.

4. EUX / EUD (Erhvervsuddannelse / kombineret med gymnasial eksamen)

- Focus: Vocational education (electrician, carpenter, hairdresser, healthcare, etc.).
- EUD = Hands-on, job-focused training.
- EUX = Same as EUD, but also gives a studentereksamen (you can still go to university).
- Best if: You want to learn a profession, earn money during training, and possibly study later.

My Suggestions Based on You:

Since you:

- Are fluent in Danish,
- Are born and raised in Denmark,
- Might have both local and international cultural perspectives,
- Just finished primary school (maybe lidt forsinket if you're 16? No worries — many students take different paths),

Here are **three paths** you could consider, depending on your interest:

► If You Like a Bit of Everything (and want to keep options open):

STX – It's broad, flexible, and respected. Great if you want time to figure out what to study later.

► If You're Business-minded or Entrepreneurial:

HHX – Excellent for business, marketing, or even international careers (Benin + Denmark could be an asset).

► If You Prefer Working With Your Hands or Want to Start a Career Sooner:

EUX – You can become skilled in a trade **and** still keep the door open for higher education.

Bonus Thought:

Your **Beninese background** might give you a unique advantage—languages, culture, or connections—that could be valuable in international business, development work, or diplomacy. If that interests you, you might combine **HHX** or **STX** with French, economics, or global studies later.

Would you like a simple quiz or checklist to help narrow it down? Or do you want to tell me a bit about your interests or what you're good at? I can then give a more personal recommendation.