

# Uddannelsesmuligheder i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Romania. 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 it's awesome that you're thinking about your future at this stage! Since you just finished **primary school in Denmark (folkeskole)** and you're **16 years old**, you're right at the point where you choose your next step in the Danish education system. Here's a breakdown of your main options and some advice based on different interests and goals.

## 🎓 Main Educational Paths After Primary School in Denmark:

### 1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education) – Academic Track

If you're interested in continuing to university later.

- **STX (Alment Gymnasium)** – General upper secondary school. Good if you're interested in subjects like languages, social studies, science, or humanities.
- **HHX (Handelsskolen)** – Focuses on business, economics, and international trade.
- **HTX (Teknisk Gymnasium)** – Focuses on technology, science, and engineering.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseksamen)** – A shorter, more flexible 2-year program that also gives access to higher education. Often chosen by students who want a quicker or more practical academic path.

#### 💡 Choose this path if:

You enjoy school subjects, want more theoretical learning, and are considering **university** or **professional careers** like law, medicine, engineering, business, etc.

### 2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training – EUD)

A combination of school and apprenticeship, usually 3–4 years.

- Includes trades like **electrician, carpenter, chef, hairdresser, mechanic**, healthcare, childcare, etc.
- You earn money during your apprenticeship.

#### 💡 Choose this path if:

You prefer practical learning, want to **start working earlier**, and like hands-on experiences. It can still lead to further education later if you change your mind.

### 3. Kombinerede Forløb (EUX)

A combination of vocational training and general upper secondary education.

- You get a **vocational qualification + a studentereksamen** (high school diploma).
- More demanding, but very flexible – you can either start working or go to university afterwards.

#### Choose this if:

You want both academic and practical qualifications. Great for people who want to keep options open.

#### What Should You Consider?

- **Your interests** – Do you enjoy science, languages, tech, working with your hands, helping others?
- **Your learning style** – Do you like books and theory, or prefer practical, hands-on tasks?
- **Your long-term goals** – University? Starting work soon? Working abroad? Entrepreneurship?
- **Job market** – Denmark has demand for skilled trades, tech, and healthcare, so think about where your strengths match opportunity.

#### Extra Note: Being of Romanian Descent

Your multicultural background is a strength! Fluency in both Danish and possibly Romanian can be an asset, especially in international business, public service, or European/international studies.

#### My Recommendation (if you're undecided):

If you **like school and are open to university later**, consider starting with **STX** or **HHX** – they give you broad options.

If you **prefer practical work or want to start a career sooner**, look into **EUX** – it's very flexible and increasingly popular in Denmark.

If you're still unsure, you can also:

- Visit **UddannelsesGuiden (ug.dk)** – Denmark's official education guide.
- Talk to a **studievejleder** (education counselor) at your school or kommune.
- Try a **"brobygning"** program or a **praktik (internship)** to explore.

If you want, you can tell me more about your interests (subjects you like, jobs you admire, hobbies), and I can suggest a more tailored path.