

# Uddannelsesmuligheder i Danmark



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

Thank you for sharing a bit about yourself — you're in an exciting phase of your life. Since you just finished primary school in Denmark and are considering your next step, let's break it down carefully.

**In Denmark, after primary school (folkeskole), you generally have a few options:**

## 1 Gymnasium (General Upper Secondary Education)

- *Duration:* 3 years
- *Focus:* Academic subjects preparing you for university.
- *Good if:* You enjoy school subjects like languages, science, math, history, etc., and you're thinking about going to university later.
- *Popular programs:* STX (general), HTX (technical/science), HHX (business-oriented).

## 2 EUD / Vocational Education and Training (Erhvervsuddannelse)

- *Duration:* 2-4 years (depending on program)
- *Focus:* Combines school and apprenticeship. You learn a trade while working.
- *Good if:* You want to get a job faster, learn by doing, and enter fields like carpentry, plumbing, hairdressing, cooking, healthcare assistant, electrician, etc.

## 3 EUX (Combination of Vocational and Academic Education)

- *Duration:* 4-5 years
- *Focus:* Combines vocational training with subjects that allow you to apply for university afterwards.
- *Good if:* You want the flexibility of both practical skills and the option for higher education later.

## 4 HF (Higher Preparatory Examination)

- *Duration:* 2 years
- *Focus:* More flexible than gymnasium, also prepares you for further education.
- *Good if:* You prefer a slightly shorter academic route and maybe didn't like primary school much but still want access to university or other higher education.

**My recommendation for you depends a bit on your interests:**

If you like...	Consider...
Academic subjects, university path	<b>Gymnasium (STX, HHX, HTX)</b>
Practical learning, earning faster	<b>EUD</b>
Both practical skills + academic options	<b>EUX</b>
More flexible academic route	<b>HF</b>

## A few extra thoughts for you:

- Since you're fluent in Danish, you can easily access any of these.
- Your background from Kiribati might even give you an extra perspective if you go into areas like international studies, business, or environmental sciences (Kiribati is often discussed in climate change topics).
- Denmark offers excellent free education options — take advantage of that.
- Talk to a guidance counselor (studievejleder) at your school or a local *UU-vejleder* — they can also help you choose.

👉 If you tell me a bit more about your interests (e.g. do you like science? business? technology? hands-on work?), I can give you a much more tailored suggestion.

Shall we dive a little deeper?