

# Uddannelsesvalg efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Honduras. 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 a bit about yourself — that helps a lot in giving relevant advice. In Denmark, finishing **folkeskolen** (primary and lower secondary school) typically means you're around the point of choosing between several educational paths. Your next step depends a bit on your interests, strengths, and career goals. Here's an overview of your main options, with some advice tailored to your situation:

### 1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are ideal if you're academically inclined or unsure about your exact career path. They give you broad knowledge and prepare you for university.

- **STX (Alment gymnasium)**: General and academic good if you like a mix of subjects like languages, science, history, etc.
- **HHX (Handelsskole)**: Focus on business, economics, and marketing good if you're interested in entrepreneurship or international trade.
- **HTX (Teknisk gymnasium)**: Focus on science and technology great for future engineers, programmers, or tech professionals.
- **HF (Højere forberedelseseksamen)**: A bit shorter (2 years) and more practical good if you want to move faster toward higher education or are unsure about long-term school commitment.

Recommended if: You're interested in keeping many doors open (university, professional careers), enjoy academic work, and want time to decide.

## **£** 2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training / EUD)

This is more hands-on and work-oriented. You combine school and apprenticeship in real workplaces. Examples:

- Electrician
- Carpenter
- Hairdresser
- Chef
- IT Supporter
- Healthcare assistant

Recommended if: You want to start working earlier, like practical learning, and already have an idea of a trade or profession.

## Bonus Path: EUX (Vocational + Academic)

This combines **EUD + gymnasial level**, so you get a vocational skill **and** the qualifications to apply for higher education later. It's tough but great if you're hardworking and want flexibility.

Recommended if: You're interested in a job-focused education but also want the option to go to university later.

#### 🔀 Your Bilingual & Bicultural Background

Being fluent in Danish and having roots in Honduras is a real asset. Some ideas to consider:

- International business or trade (especially with Latin America).
- Language-focused careers (translation, diplomacy, tourism).
- Social work or education (especially in diverse communities).
- Tech fields (where global skills and perspectives matter a lot).

### ? Questions to Ask Yourself

To help narrow things down:

- Do I like academic work and studying? Or do I prefer hands-on, practical tasks?
- Do I want to go to university one day?
- Do I have a dream job or area I'm passionate about (e.g., tech, business, care work)?
- Do I want to start earning money soon, or invest time in longer education?

#### If You're Still Unsure

It's totally okay not to have everything figured out at 16. You can talk to a **UU-vejleder (educational counselor)** — they help young people in Denmark find the right education and career path.

If you tell me more about:

- What subjects you enjoy most
- What your hobbies are
- If you're more into theory or practice

...then I can give more specific suggestions!

Would you like to explore some examples of jobs or study programs that fit your interests?