

Uddannelsesvalg efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from South Africa. 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 — it helps a lot in giving a more tailored answer. Since you've just finished primary school in Denmark (likely meaning **9th or 10th grade**, depending on how your school structured it), you're now facing the classic Danish post-primary education choice.

Here's a clear breakdown of your main options and what might suit your interests, goals, and opportunities:

1. Gymnasium (STX, HHX, HTX, HF) – Academic Track

If you're interested in continuing your education at university later, this is the main path.

- **STX (Alment gymnasium)** – General upper secondary school with a broad academic focus (languages, social studies, science). Good for university prep.
- **HHX (Handelsgymnasium)** – Focuses on business, economics, and international studies. Great if you're curious about business or global issues.
- **HTX (Teknisk gymnasium)** – Focused on science, technology, and engineering. Ideal if you like practical science and tech subjects.
- **HF** – A shorter (2-year) academic program, more flexible, often for slightly older students or those seeking a different pace. Less math-heavy than the others.

Recommended if:

- You enjoy academic subjects
- You might want to go to university later
- You're unsure exactly what you want yet — this keeps your options open

2. EUD / EUX – Vocational Education

This path combines school and practical work. You learn a trade (e.g. electrician, mechanic, hairdresser, chef, etc.).

- **EUD** – Pure vocational training
- **EUX** – Mix of vocational training + academic courses, lets you apply for university later too

Recommended if:

- You enjoy hands-on work
- You want to start working sooner
- You're interested in trades, service industries, or creative crafts

3. International Path / Efterskole / Boarding Options

- **Efterskole** – A one-year school where you live away from home and focus on personal development, sports, arts, or academics. Great for building confidence and discovering interests.
- **IB (International Baccalaureate)** – International diploma in English, available in some Danish schools. Great if you're thinking globally, maybe studying abroad later.

Recommended if:

- You want a break from traditional school
- You want to improve English or explore your South African background more deeply
- You want to experience living away from home and developing independence

What to Think About:

Ask yourself:

- Do I want a university degree in the future?
- Do I enjoy school and theoretical learning?
- Do I prefer learning by doing?
- Would I benefit from a year of personal development or change of pace?

Based on what you've said:

You're bilingual and have a multicultural background — that's a big strength in Denmark. If you're open to academic work and want to keep doors open, **STX or HHX** could be great fits. If you want a mix of work and study, **EUX** is a very strong modern option — especially if you're career-focused.

If you tell me your interests (like: tech, sports, art, business, working with people, etc.), I can recommend something even more specific.

Would you like that?