

# ChatGPT



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Panama. 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's great that you're thinking ahead about your future path. At 16 in Denmark, you're at the typical age to move on from *folkeskole* (primary and lower secondary school), so this is a good moment to consider your interests, strengths, and future goals.

## Main Educational Paths After Primary School in Denmark

You typically have three main options after finishing *9. klasse* (or *10. klasse*):

### 1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education – 3 years)

These are great if you want to go to university later.

- **STX (Studentereksamen):** Focuses on a broad academic curriculum including sciences, humanities, and social sciences.
- **HHX (Higher Commercial Examination):** Business and economics-focused; great if you're interested in entrepreneurship, finance, or marketing.
- **HTX (Higher Technical Examination):** Focus on science, technology, and engineering.
- **HF (Higher Preparatory Examination):** A shorter, 2-year option, often for more mature students or those with special needs.

#### Recommended if:

You enjoy academic learning and want to keep your university options open.

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

This is a combination of school and practical training (apprenticeship) in a company.

- You can specialize in many areas like carpentry, plumbing, culinary arts, IT support, childcare, etc.
- Often shorter than academic programs.
- You finish with a qualification that allows you to work directly or continue into more advanced education (*EUX* combines EUD with a high school diploma).

#### Recommended if:

You prefer hands-on work and want to enter the workforce earlier or pursue a specific trade.

### 3. 10. klasse – Optional Extra Year

You might choose this if you want more time to mature, improve your grades, or decide what to do next.

- Can be academic or vocational in focus.
- Some programs combine 10th grade with internships or project-based learning.

#### **Recommended if:**

You're unsure and want more time or feel you could improve academically with one more year.

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#### **Questions to Consider:**

To guide your decision, think about these:

- Do you want to go to university?
  - Do you enjoy academic subjects or prefer practical, hands-on work?
  - Are you interested in business, technology, health, creative arts, or trades?
  - Do you want to start working sooner or keep your study options open longer?
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#### **Example Paths:**

- **If you want to be a doctor or engineer:** STX or HTX.
  - **If you want to start your own business:** HHX or EUD with EUX.
  - **If you're unsure:** 10. klasse or STX to keep options open.
  - **If you enjoy working with your hands:** EUD (e.g., electrician, mechanic, chef).
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Would you like to tell me a bit more about your interests or dreams for the future? I can help you find a more specific recommendation based on what you enjoy or are curious about.