

# Uddannelsesvalg efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Sweden. 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 that – it's great that you're thinking ahead. Since you're 16, fluent in Danish, and have completed primary school in Denmark, you're at a key decision point in the Danish education system. Let's look at your main options and which might suit you best based on your situation and goals.

## Main Educational Options After Primary School in Denmark

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

Designed if you're aiming for university or want to keep your options open.

- STX (Almen studentereksamen)
  - Broad and academic focus
  - Ideal if you're unsure what to specialize in
  - Strong in humanities, sciences, and social sciences
- HTX (Teknisk studentereksamen)
  - Focus on science, technology, and innovation
  - Great if you're interested in engineering, IT, or design
- HHX (Handelsstudentereksamen)
  - Business, economics, and languages
  - Good foundation for business studies or entrepreneurship
- HF (Højere forberedelseseksamen) 2 years
  - More practical and flexible
  - Often for students who want quicker access to specific education or job paths
  - Good if you want to work sooner or need a different pace

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

- For learning a specific trade or profession (e.g. carpenter, hairdresser, mechanic)
- Mix of school and paid internship/apprenticeship
- Takes 2–5 years depending on the program

#### 3. EUX - Hybrid Option

• Combines vocational training (EUD) with academic subjects (like STX)



- You become both work-ready and eligible for university
- Longer and more demanding, but very flexible for your future

#### **Based on Your Profile, Here Are Some Recommendations:**

Since you're fluent in Danish, grew up in Denmark, and just finished primary school:

- If you're academically inclined or unsure about your future career →
  STX or HTX could be best. They give you a broad education and keep many options open for higher education.
- If you're interested in business or want to study economics or languages  $\rightarrow$  Consider HHX.
- If you prefer hands-on, practical learning and want to work sooner → Look into EUD or EUX.

## 🔀 Bonus: Your Swedish Background

Being connected to Sweden could give you an edge if you're interested in Nordic business, international relations, or even studying in Sweden later. If that's interesting to you:

- Consider schools with strong language or international programs
- Explore options for **university in Sweden** after upper secondary (your Danish diploma is recognized)

## **ℳ** How to Decide:

- **Try visiting schools** (many offer open house days)
- Talk to a guidance counselor (UU-vejleder) they can help match your interests and strengths
- Ask yourself:
  - Do I want to go to university later?
  - Do I want to start working earlier?
  - Do I like practical or academic subjects more?

Would you like help figuring out what type of subjects or careers might fit you best? I can also help you explore that based on your interests and strengths.