

# ChatGPT



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

That's a great question, and it's impressive that you're thinking ahead at this stage. Since you're 16 and just finished **primary school**, it sounds like you might be using "primary school" differently than it's typically used in Denmark, where "folkeskole" (up to 9th or 10th grade) is considered basic education. Could you clarify if you've just finished **9th grade** or **10th grade**?

Assuming you're around the end of **9th or 10th grade**, you generally have a few common options in Denmark:

## 1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

These are academic paths that prepare you for university:

### a. STX (Alment Gymnasium)

- Focus: Broad academic subjects (languages, sciences, history, etc.)
- Best for: University preparation, if you enjoy academic learning
- Duration: 3 years

### b. HHX (Higher Commercial Examination Programme)

- Focus: Business, economics, and international trade
- Best for: Careers in business, finance, marketing, or economics
- Duration: 3 years

### c. HTX (Higher Technical Examination Programme)

- Focus: Science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM)
- Best for: If you're into technology, programming, science, or engineering
- Duration: 3 years

### d. HF (Higher Preparatory Examination)

- Focus: Shorter and more practical than STX
- Best for: If you want a faster path to certain further education or aren't sure about university yet

- Duration: 2 years

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

- Focus: Practical training and apprenticeship (carpenter, electrician, chef, hairdresser, healthcare assistant, etc.)
- Good if: You prefer hands-on work and want to start earning faster
- Duration: 2–5 years (school + apprenticeship)

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## Which path is right for you?

Here are some questions to help you reflect:

- Do you enjoy **academic subjects** (math, languages, science), or do you prefer **practical work**?
- Do you think you'd like to **go to university** one day, or start **working earlier**?
- Are you interested in **business, tech, science, arts, or helping people**?
- How well do you do in school now? Are there subjects you enjoy more?

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## Your Unique Background

Being fluent in Danish and having a multicultural background from Cameroon can be a big strength:

- You might be interested in **international business (HHX)**, **global studies (STX)**, or **technology with global impact (HTX)**.
- You could also consider **social work or healthcare** if you're passionate about helping others and representing diverse voices.

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## My Recommendation

If you're still deciding, here are **3 safe and flexible routes**:

1. **STX** – if you like a wide range of academic subjects and may want to go to university
2. **HHX** – if you're interested in business, finance, or international trade
3. **HTX** – if you love tech, science, or engineering

If you know you're more practical or want to start a career faster, **EUD** is a great option — and it's not second-class at all. Many Danes succeed through vocational paths.

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Would you like help comparing specific schools or programs near where you live in Denmark? I can help with that too. Just let me know!