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I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Nigeria. 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 about your future. Since you're 16 and just finished primary school in Denmark, it sounds like you're at a crossroads where you can choose between different educational paths. Here's a breakdown of your main options and some recommendations based on your interests and goals:

## 🎓 Main Educational Paths in Denmark After Primary School (Folkeskole)

At this stage, Danish students typically choose between three main options:

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

These are academically focused and prepare you for university.

#### Options:

- **STX** (Alment gymnasium): Broad academic program (humanities, science, languages, etc.)
- **HHX** (Handelsskole): Business-focused (economy, marketing, international trade)
- **HTX** (Teknisk gymnasium): Technology and science-focused
- **IB** (International Baccalaureate): Taught in English, internationally recognized

#### ✅ Recommended if:

- You're aiming for university
- You enjoy academic learning (math, science, language, economics, etc.)
- You're not sure exactly what you want yet, but want to keep your options open

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

These prepare you for specific jobs and include both school and paid internships.

#### Fields include:

- Health care (e.g., nursing assistant)
- IT and technology
- Mechanics and electronics

- Culinary arts
- Construction

#### ✓ Recommended if:

- You want to start working sooner (some programs lead to jobs in 2–4 years)
- You like practical/hands-on learning
- You're interested in trades or technical jobs

💡 Some vocational programs also offer a path to university later if you want that.

### 3. Combination Programs (EUX)

This is a mix between gymnasium and vocational education. You get both a vocational qualification **and** the right to apply to university.

#### ✓ Recommended if:

- You want a job qualification, but also want the option to study later
- You're good at both practical and academic work

### My Advice for You (Based on What You've Shared)

You're 16, fluent in Danish, and likely quite integrated into Danish society. Here's what I recommend:

#### ✓ Step 1: Explore Your Interests

Ask yourself:

- Do I enjoy schoolwork and exams, or more practical/hands-on work?
- Am I curious about specific subjects (e.g., science, business, IT, health)?
- Do I want to go to university or start working sooner?

#### ✓ Step 2: Talk to a Guidance Counselor (Studievejleder)

At your local *UU-vejledning* office, you can get personalized advice and even do internships or try-out programs (*brobygning*).

#### ✓ Step 3: Choose a Path That Fits You

If you're:

- **Interested in university** → Go for **STX, HTX, HHX**, or **IB**
- **Into business and entrepreneurship** → **HHX**
- **Into tech or science** → **HTX** or **EUX tech**
- **Wanting to work with your hands** (mechanic, chef, electrician) → **EUD**

- **Not sure but want flexibility** → EUX
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### **Keep in Mind**

- You can always change paths later (e.g., switch from EUD to EUX, or from HHX to university).
  - Denmark has a strong education system with second chances – so no door is permanently closed.
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Would you like me to help you compare a couple of specific programs? Or help you explore careers that might fit your personality and interests?