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I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Paraguay. 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 a bit about yourself — that's a great start to making a good decision. In Denmark, after finishing **primary school (folkeskole)** around age 15 or 16, you have a few main paths you can take depending on your interests, strengths, and goals. Here's a clear overview with some recommendations based on different directions you might want to go:

1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

If you're interested in **going to university later** or if you enjoy academic subjects (like languages, science, or humanities), this is a great path.

Options include:

- **STX (Alment gymnasium):** The most common academic program. Broad focus: languages, history, math, sciences, etc.
- **HHX (Handelsskole):** Focus on business, economics, and international trade.
- **HTX (Teknisk gymnasium):** Focus on technology, science, and innovation.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseseksamen):** A shorter 2-year academic program, often for people who want a more practical route to higher education.

Recommendation if:

- You're academically motivated.
- You want to keep your options open for higher education.
- You're interested in studying subjects like languages, social science, economy, or tech.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training – EUD)

If you prefer **hands-on work** and want to get a job quickly or become an apprentice, this path is worth considering. You can become a mechanic, carpenter, hairdresser, chef, IT supporter, etc.

Recommendation if:

- You enjoy learning by doing.
- You're interested in working in a trade or practical field.
- You want to start earning money sooner and possibly combine work and study.

There are **EUX-programs** too, which mix vocational training with academic subjects — giving you both a trade and the possibility to go to university later.

3. Special Interest or Alternative Programs

Depending on your interests, there are also:

- **Creative schools** (music, film, design, etc.)
- **Efterskole or højskole** for 1 year, to develop personal and social skills, or explore passions.
- **IB (International Baccalaureate)**: An international program in English if you're aiming for study abroad later.

A Personal Recommendation

Since you're fluent in Danish, born and raised in Denmark, and have Paraguayan roots, you might have a **multicultural perspective** that could be really valuable — especially in areas like:

- **International business (HHX)**
- **Language studies (STX or IB)**
- **Tech and innovation (HTX)**
- **Social or educational work (HF or STX)**

If you're not sure yet, **STX** is often the most flexible choice, and it keeps all options open for university or other education later.

Next Steps

1. **Visit educational fairs** (uddannelsesmesse) or open houses (åbent hus).
2. **Talk to an educational counselor (studievejleder)** at your school or the local UU-vejledning.
3. **Reflect on your interests**: Do you prefer academic or practical work? Do you want to go to university? Do you like working with people or tech?

Would you like me to help you think through your interests more specifically with a few questions?