

# Uddannelsesvalg efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Turkmenistan. 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 – you're at an exciting stage in life with many possibilities ahead! Since you've just finished primary school (in Denmark, that usually means **Folkeskole**, around 9th or 10th grade), you now have several main educational paths you can choose from, depending on your interests, strengths, and long-term goals.

Here's an overview of your options, along with guidance to help you choose:

# 1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

These are general academic paths that prepare you for university.

- **STX (Studentereksamen)**: Broad, academic good if you're interested in subjects like humanities, science, or social studies.
- **HTX (Teknisk Gymnasium)**: Focus on technology and natural sciences good if you enjoy math, physics, chemistry, and technical subjects.
- **HHX (Handelsgymnasium)**: Business, economics, marketing great for future entrepreneurs or those interested in business.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseseksamen)**: A 2-year option if you want a shorter path to further education and aren't ready to commit to a full 3-year gymnasium.

**Best if**: You're academically inclined and may want to go to university later (e.g., to become a doctor, engineer, lawyer, teacher, etc.).

# 🗶 2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training / EUD)

These are more hands-on and career-focused.

- Examples: electrician, mechanic, hairdresser, chef, IT support, health care worker.
- You can start directly after 9th or 10th grade and combine school with apprenticeship in a company.
- ☑ **Best if**: You want to start working earlier or prefer practical skills over academic study.

# 3. EUX (Combination of Vocational and Academic)



## This is a mix of EUD and gymnasial education.

- You get a vocational qualification **and** the right to apply for higher education.
- It's demanding, but gives you the flexibility to both work and study later.
- **Best if**: You want the option to both work and go to university later.

# **★** What Should You Consider?

#### 1. Your Interests

- Do you enjoy school subjects like math, science, history, or languages?
- Or do you prefer working with your hands or being active?

### 2. Your Long-Term Goals

- Do you see yourself in a trade (e.g., mechanic, chef, carpenter)?
- Or maybe as a doctor, engineer, or businessperson?

#### 3. Social Environment

• Do you enjoy a more academic environment, or do you thrive in hands-on, collaborative work?

### 4. Cultural Perspective

With your Turkmen background and Danish education, you may have strong intercultural skills.
These can be valuable in careers like international business, diplomacy, social work, or education.

# 🥊 Example Pathways

#### Interested in tech?

• HTX  $\rightarrow$  DTU (engineering) or EUX IT-supporter  $\rightarrow$  job or further studies.

#### • Interested in business?

• HHX → university (CBS) or EUD → apprenticeship in accounting/retail.

#### Want to work fast and earn money?

• EUD → apprenticeship → skilled job in 3-4 years.

### • Not sure yet?

• STX or HF can give you time to explore while keeping your options open.

If you tell me more about your interests, strengths, or dreams (like what subjects you enjoy or jobs you admire), I can help you narrow it down even more.