

# Uddannelsesmuligheder i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Tonga. 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 an important one at this stage in your life. Since you're in Denmark, you've just completed **"folkeskole"**, which typically ends after 9th or 10th grade. Now you have a few solid educational paths to consider, depending on your interests, strengths, and long-term goals.

Here are the main options and some guidance to help you decide:

#### 1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

These are academic programs that prepare you for university. Ideal if you enjoy school subjects like Danish, English, science, math, or humanities.

#### **Options:**

- STX (Studentereksamen): Broad, academic, lots of humanities, languages, and sciences.
- HHX (Handelsskole): Focuses on business, economics, and international trade.
- HTX (Teknisk Gymnasium): Focus on science, technology, and engineering.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseseksamen):** A 2-year program, more flexible, often for those who prefer a shorter academic route or need a second chance.

## Good if you:

- Think you might want to go to university or higher education.
- Like academic learning.
- Are still exploring what you want to do in the future.

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

These combine school with hands-on work and lead to a skilled trade or profession — for example, becoming a carpenter, electrician, chef, mechanic, hairdresser, or IT specialist.

# Good if you:

- Prefer practical learning over academic.
- Want to enter the job market faster (often after 3–4 years).
- Have a clear idea of a job you'd enjoy.



📝 Tip: You can always add on more education later if you change your mind.

## 🔄 3. Kombinationsuddannelser (EUX)

A mix of vocational training and academic studies. You get both a skilled trade and a study qualification (like gymnasium). It takes longer but gives you flexibility.

#### ✓ Good if you:

- Want hands-on skills **and** the option to go to university.
- Are motivated and ready to handle a heavier workload.

## How to Choose?

#### Ask yourself:

- Do I enjoy theoretical learning (reading, writing, exams), or do I prefer doing and creating?
- Do I have any interests already? (e.g., tech, business, art, helping people, food, cars, etc.)
- Do I want to go to university later, or do I want to start working sooner?

#### 👣 My Recommendation (Based on What You've Shared)

Since you're fluent in Danish, have just completed folkeskole, and you're still open-minded about your next steps:

**Option 1:** Start with **STX** if you're academic and want to keep all doors open — especially if you enjoy subjects like Danish, English, or history.

Option 2: Consider EUX if you think you might want a job faster but also like the idea of being able to study later.

**Option 3:** Choose a **vocational education (EUD)** in a field you already like — for example, IT, construction, design, or hospitality — if you want to get hands-on quickly.

If you want to, I can help you explore specific programs near you (based on your city or interests). Would you like that?