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I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Chile. 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 your background — it's great that you're already thinking seriously about your next steps. In Denmark, after finishing primary school (typically 9th or 10th grade), you have several good options depending on your interests, strengths, and long-term goals. Here's a breakdown to help guide your decision:


Main Educational Paths After Primary School in Denmark

1. General Upper Secondary Education (Gymnasiale Uddannelser)

These are more academically focused and prepare you for higher education like university.

Options:

- **STX (Almen studentereksamen):** General academic program. Broadest subjects — good if you're unsure about future plans.
- **HHX (Højere handelseksamen):** Focus on business, economics, and languages.
- **HTX (Højere teknisk eksamen):** Focus on science and technology — great if you like math, IT, engineering.
- **HF (Højere forberedelseseksamen):** Shorter 2-year program, more flexible, often used as a second chance or if you prefer practical learning.

 **Best for you if:** You enjoy academic subjects, want to keep your university options open, and may want to study further after upper secondary school.


2. Vocational Education and Training (Erhvervsuddannelser - EUD)


Combines school and apprenticeship in a company. You learn a trade or profession and can work right after.

Examples:

- Electrician
- Hairdresser
- Carpenter


- Social and Health Care Assistant
- Office Assistant

 **Best for you if:** You like hands-on work, want to enter the job market sooner, and prefer practical over academic learning.

 Some EUD programs also allow you to continue into higher education later.

3. Combined Path: EUX

Mixes vocational education with general upper secondary education — gives you both a trade and the possibility to go to university.

 **Best for you if:** You want the best of both worlds — practical training *and* the option to study further later.

Bonus Consideration: Your Chilean Background

Being bilingual and having a multicultural background can be a big asset! You might:

- Study Spanish formally (in STX or HHX) and use it in a future job (e.g., international business, diplomacy, translation).
- Leverage cultural understanding in fields like social work, education, or international relations.

Questions to Ask Yourself:

1. **Do I enjoy school subjects like math, science, literature, or languages?**
2. **Do I want to go to university later?**
3. **Do I prefer working with my hands, being active, and learning in real-life settings?**
4. **Would I enjoy earning money while studying (apprenticeship)?**

Recommendation Based on Your Info

Since you're fluent in Danish, just finished primary school, and are at the beginning of your educational journey:

Try visiting an "UU-vejleder" (Youth Guidance Counselor) — they're there to help people exactly in your situation, and it's free.

But if you're looking for a specific path to consider:

Try STX or EUX if you're unsure

- STX if you like academic subjects.
- EUX if you're practical but still want a broad future.

These give you flexibility and time to figure out your interests while keeping your future options open.

If you tell me more about what subjects you like or what kind of work you imagine yourself doing one day, I can give you even more tailored advice!