

Uddannelsesvejledning efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Serbia. 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! Since you're at a key decision point, it's great that you're thinking carefully about your next step. In Denmark, after finishing **Folkeskole** (**primary and lower secondary school**), you generally have a few main educational paths to choose from, depending on your interests, strengths, and long-term goals.

Here's a breakdown of your main options, along with some guidance:

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education – Academic)

These are ideal if you enjoy academic subjects and may want to go to university later.

- **STX (Almen studentereksamen)** Broad and general; strong in humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences.
- HHX (Højere handelseksamen) Focuses on business, economics, and marketing.
- HTX (Højere teknisk eksamen) Focuses on technology, natural sciences, and engineering.
- **HF (Højere forberedelseseksamen)** A shorter, 2-year option, often chosen if you want to get to higher education quicker or need a more practical approach.

Choose this path if:

You enjoy studying theory, want to keep your options open for university, or are interested in science, business, or language.

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

These combine school and apprenticeship. You learn a trade or profession (e.g. carpenter, mechanic, hairdresser, IT supporter, healthcare worker).

Choose this path if:

You prefer practical, hands-on learning and want to start working sooner. Many EUD programs also let you continue into higher education later.

🚅 3. EUX – Kombineret erhvervsuddannelse og gymnasial eksamen

This hybrid gives you a vocational education **plus** a general upper secondary education. It takes longer but keeps many doors open.



Choose this if:

You want practical skills *and* the option to go to university later.

4. Something international?

With your Serbian background and fluency in Danish, you might be in a great position to consider:

- **IB** (**International Baccalaureate**) If offered nearby. Taught in English, and very academic.
- **Language-focused programs** Could benefit you if you're multilingual or interested in international work.

My advice based on your profile:

Since you're fluent in Danish, born and raised in Denmark, and just finishing school at 16, here's a decision tree:

If you enjoy studying and might want to go to university later:

→ Consider **STX** or **HTX** (especially if you like science or tech).

If you're interested in business or economics:

→ Consider **HHX**.

If you're unsure but want flexibility:

→ **STX** or **EUX** keeps many options open.

If you're more into hands-on work and want to work sooner:

 \rightarrow Consider **EUD** or **EUX**.

₹ Final tip:

Visit some **open house events** ("Åbent Hus"), talk to school counselors, and maybe try a **brobygning** (bridging course). That can help you get a real feel for the schools before you choose.

Would you like help picking between specific schools or programs near where you live in Denmark? I can look them up if you tell me your city.