

Uddannelsesvalg i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Sri Lanka. 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! Since you're 16, just finished primary school in Denmark, and you're fluent in Danish, you're at a key decision point that can shape your future. Let's break this down step-by-step to help you choose an educational path that fits your interests, goals, and opportunities.

First, Know Your Options in Denmark

After **primary school (folkeskole)**, you typically have three main types of education to choose from:

1. Gymnasium (STX, HHX, HTX, HF) – General and academic education


- **STX (Almen studentereksamen):** Focus on a broad academic education – good if you want to go to university later.
- **HHX (Higher Commercial Examination):** Focus on business, economics, and languages.
- **HTX (Higher Technical Examination):** Focus on science, technology, and innovation.
- **HF (Higher Preparatory Examination):** Shorter and a bit more flexible, for those who might want a less academic pressure-heavy path.

 *Best for you if:* You're interested in continuing to university and don't yet want to specialize too much.

2. EUD/Erhvervsuddannelse – Vocational education

This combines school and hands-on apprenticeship, leading to becoming a skilled worker in areas like:

- Carpentry, electrician, mechanic
- Hairdressing, cooking, healthcare

 *Best for you if:* You enjoy practical work, want to start working earlier, and might not want to go to university.

3. EUX – The hybrid

This lets you **get a vocational education AND the right to apply to university** later. It's more demanding, but gives you both a trade and academic path.

⚙️ *Best for you if:* You want flexibility – maybe become a technician or engineer, but still want to keep doors open.

👁️ What to Think About When Choosing

Here are a few questions to guide your decision:

✅ What subjects do you enjoy most?

- Science? → HTX
- Business or languages? → HHX
- Broad mix? → STX or HF
- Practical tasks? → EUD or EUX

✅ Do you want to go to university later?

- Yes → STX, HHX, HTX, HF, or EUX
- No / Not sure → EUD or EUX could still be great

✅ Do you prefer studying or doing hands-on work?

- Studying → Gymnasium
 - Hands-on → EUD / EUX
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💡 My Personal Recommendation

Since you're still exploring your options and if you enjoy school subjects and think you *might* want to go to university in the future:

→ **Consider starting with STX or HHX**

This gives you a strong academic foundation, helps you develop your interests more, and keeps a lot of doors open.

But...

→ **If you like hands-on work but also want the option to study later, EUX** is a smart and flexible path. You get a trade and the right to study.

🧠 Last Advice

- Visit **uddannelsesguiden.dk** (UG.dk) – Denmark's official education guide – for detailed info in Danish.
- Try an **open house** (åbent hus) event at local schools.
- Talk to your **school counselor** (uddannelsesvejleder) – they know your local options well.

- Don't worry if you're unsure! Many students switch paths later. What matters is taking a step that fits *you right now*.
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Would you like help comparing specific options (like STX vs HHX), or are you leaning toward a certain direction already?