

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Liberia. 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've just finished primary school in Denmark and are thinking about your next step, here's a breakdown of your main educational options, tailored to your situation:

Main Educational Paths After Primary School (Folkeskole)

In Denmark, you typically choose between **academic**, **vocational**, or **preparatory** education after 9th or 10th grade. Since you've just completed primary school, you're likely at this crossroads now.

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

If you're academically inclined or unsure what career to pursue yet, this is a strong option.

Main types:

- **STX (Studentereksamen):** Focuses on humanities, natural and social sciences.
- **HHX (Higher Commercial Exam):** Business and economics-focused.
- **HTX (Higher Technical Exam):** Technology and science.
- **HF (Higher Preparatory Exam):** Shorter, more flexible—good for people who may need a less intense environment or want to study later.

→ **Leads to:** University or other higher education.

2. EUD (Erhvervsuddannelse – Vocational Education and Training)

Great if you prefer hands-on work and want to enter the workforce quickly. You can become a **carpenter, electrician, hairdresser, chef, social and health worker**, etc.

→ **Leads to:** Skilled job or you can continue to higher vocational education (e.g. erhvervsakademi).

3. EGU / FGU (Preparatory Basic Education)

For young people who need more time or support to choose a direction. FGU combines school subjects with practical training.

→ **Leads to:** EUD, job training, or other education.

🤔 How to Choose?

Here are a few questions to help guide your decision:

- **Do you enjoy school subjects and academic work?** → Consider STX, HTX, HHX, or HF.
- **Do you like hands-on or practical work?** → Look into EUD or FGU.
- **Are you unsure or need more support?** → FGU might be a good starting point.
- **Do you want to go to university later?** → Gymnasiale uddannelser are your path.

🕒 Personal Factors (Based on Your Background)

- You speak Danish fluently – a big strength!
- If you're also fluent in English, that opens many doors in global studies, tech, business, etc.
- As someone with Liberian roots, you might be interested in **international relations, health, development, or culture**, especially if you're thinking about helping communities or building bridges between cultures.

🔍 Suggestions Based on Interests

Here are some paths depending on your interests:

If you like...	Suggested Path
Science, health, or technology	HTX
Business, economy, marketing	HHX
Literature, history, languages	STX
Helping people, health care	EUD (SOSU), or HF then nursing or social work
Working with hands or creating things	EUD (crafts, construction, cooking)
Unsure or need a fresh start	FGU

✅ Next Steps:

1. **Talk to an educational counselor (uddannelsesvejleder)** at your school or local UU-center.
2. **Visit education fairs** or open houses (åbent hus) for schools near you.
3. **Ask older students** about their experiences.
4. **Try a "brobygning" program** – a short trial period at different schools to see what fits.

If you want, you can tell me a bit more about your interests, strengths, or what you *don't* like — and I can give you a more personalized recommendation.