

ChatGPT



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Nauru. 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 great — and congrats on finishing primary school! At 16, you're at an important crossroads in the Danish education system. Since you've completed **folkeskolen**, your next step depends on your interests, strengths, and long-term goals. Here's a clear overview of your main options:

Main Educational Paths After Primary School in Denmark

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

These are general education programs that prepare you for university:

A. STX (Studentereksamen)

- **Focus:** Broad academic subjects like humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences.
- **Good for:** University prep, if you're still exploring what you like.

B. HHX (Higher Commercial Examination)

- **Focus:** Business, economics, international trade.
- **Good for:** Business careers or university studies in economics or marketing.

C. HTX (Higher Technical Examination)

- **Focus:** Science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM).
- **Good for:** Engineering or tech-related careers.

D. HF (Higher Preparatory Examination)

- **Focus:** 2-year program, more practical.
- **Good for:** Those who want a shorter route to higher education or didn't take the 10th grade.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education & Training - EUD)

- **Focus:** Hands-on skills in trades like carpentry, plumbing, healthcare, IT, etc.
- **Structure:** Combination of school and apprenticeship (praktik).
- **Good for:** Getting a job quickly or eventually starting your own business.

- **Special Track:** EUX combines vocational training with gymnasium-level subjects, so you can also pursue university later.

3. 10th Grade (10. klasse)

- Optional year to mature academically or personally before choosing your next step.
- Available at regular schools or efterskole (residential schools with special themes like music, sports, or creativity).
- Can be a great way to explore your identity, including cultural background (like Nauruan heritage), interests, and goals.

What to Consider When Choosing:

Your interests:

- Do you enjoy school and academic subjects?
- Or are you more hands-on and practical?

Your long-term goals:

- Do you want to go to university?
- Are you eager to start working?

Your learning style:

- Do you like reading, writing, and theory (good for STX)?
- Or do you prefer doing, creating, building (better for EUD)?

Example Scenarios:

Your Interest	Recommended Path
"I love science and want to be an engineer"	HTX
"I'm interested in starting a business"	HHX or EUX Business
"I'm creative and like general subjects"	STX
"I like helping people and want to work fast"	EUD in health & care
"I'm unsure and want more time"	10th grade or efterskole

Bonus Tip:

With your Nauruan background and Danish fluency, you might consider combining your identity and education to work in **international relations, cultural studies, or global development** — that could make STX with a global/humanities focus or HHX with international business a great fit.

If you'd like, I can help you find specific schools or programs near you, or help explore careers that fit your personality. Would you like that?