

ChatGPT



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Burkina Faso. 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 — that really helps in giving you a thoughtful recommendation. You're in an exciting position right now, and Denmark offers many strong educational pathways depending on your interests, goals, and how you like to learn.

Since you're 16 and just finished primary school, I assume you've completed **Folkeskole (9th or 10th grade)**. Based on that, here are your main options for the next step:

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are for students who want to go to university later.

Main types:

- **STX** (Studentereksamen): Focus on science, humanities, social sciences — broad academic program.
- **HHX** (Higher Commercial Examination): Business, economics, marketing — good for careers in business or continuing to business studies.
- **HTX** (Higher Technical Examination): Focus on technology, IT, and natural sciences.
- **HF** (Higher Preparatory Examination): Shorter, 2-year program, more flexible — often used by students who had a break or didn't follow the typical path.

Recommended if:

You enjoy academic subjects and want to keep the door open for university later.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training – EUD)

This combines school and apprenticeship, so you learn a trade and often start earning money during training.

Examples of careers:

- Electrician
- Carpenter

- Hairdresser
- Chef
- Healthcare assistant
- IT supporter

You can also take **EUX**, which combines vocational training with general education, so you can still go to university afterward.

Recommended if:

You like hands-on learning and want to start a career quickly or possibly continue to higher education later.

3. 10th Grade (10. klasse)

If you're unsure about your direction, a 10th-grade year can give you more time to decide and boost your academic skills. Many schools also offer specialized 10th-grade programs focused on sports, art, or international studies.

Recommended if:

You feel you need more time or want to strengthen your grades before deciding.

Considering your background

Your Burkinabè heritage is a strength — especially if you're interested in international relations, languages, cultural studies, or working with integration, global NGOs, or diplomacy. Multicultural perspectives are very valuable in many careers.

If you're fluent in both Danish and another language (like French or a Burkinabè language), that's a big asset in jobs related to international business, translation, diplomacy, or international aid.

So, what should you do?

Here's a quick quiz to guide your thinking:

Question	Your Preference
Do you prefer academic subjects like math, history, science, and languages?	STX/HHX/HTX
Do you enjoy working with your hands or being active (like cooking, building, caring for others)?	EUD/EUX
Are you still unsure and want to explore more?	10th Grade
Are you interested in business, economics, or marketing?	HHX
Are you into tech, coding, or science?	HTX
Want to study later at university but not commit to 3 years yet?	HF

Final Advice

Since you're fluent in Danish and have finished primary school, you have all doors open. If you want, I can help you:

- Explore local **gymnasier or vocational schools** in your area.
- Compare study programs and entry requirements.
- Talk about long-term career goals (e.g., “I want to be an engineer” or “I want to work in fashion”).

Let me know your interests, and I'll help you narrow it down even more!