

ChatGPT



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Australia. 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 your background—that's a great starting point. Since you're 16, fluent in Danish, and have completed primary school in Denmark (which likely includes lower secondary education, or "folkeskole"), your next step will usually be choosing between different upper secondary education paths.

Here's a breakdown of your options and what each might suit, depending on your interests and goals:

1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are the academic tracks that prepare you for university. If you're aiming for higher education in Denmark or abroad (like Australia), these are solid choices.

A. STX (Studentereksamen) - General Upper Secondary School

- Focus: Broad academic subjects (science, humanities, social sciences).
- **Duration**: 3 years.
- **Good if**: You like a bit of everything, enjoy learning academically, or want to keep many options open for university.

B. HHX - Higher Commercial Examination

- Focus: Business, economics, marketing.
- **Duration**: 3 years.
- **Good if**: You're interested in commerce or might want a career in business, finance, or marketing.

C. HTX - Higher Technical Examination

- **Focus**: Science, technology, and engineering.
- **Duration**: 3 years.
- **Good if**: You're into tech, science, or engineering.

D. HF - Higher Preparatory Examination

- Focus: More practical and shorter (2 years), also prepares you for further study.
- **Good if**: You want a quicker path, perhaps struggled a bit in school, or want a more hands-on academic program.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training, EUD)

These combine schooling with internships in companies and are a great option if you want to learn a profession.

- Focus: Trades, crafts, and practical jobs (like electrician, chef, hairdresser, IT-supporter).
- **Duration**: 2-5 years depending on the program.
- Good if: You prefer practical work, want to earn while you learn, or aren't keen on long academic studies.

🜎 Considering Your Australian Background

Since your parents are from Australia, and if you're open to possibly studying or working there in the future:

- An STX or IB (International Baccalaureate) could make it easier to apply to Australian universities.
- The **IB Diploma Programme**, if available near you, is taught in English and internationally recognized. It's academically demanding but very respected worldwide.

Choosing Based on Interests

Ask yourself:

- Do I enjoy academic subjects, or prefer learning by doing?
- Do I see myself going to university? In Denmark? Australia?
- Am I curious about business, science, technology, or arts?
- Would I prefer to work sooner and maybe study later?

My Recommendation (General)

If you're open to university and enjoy learning, I'd recommend looking into STX or IB, especially if you might want to study in Australia. If you're more practical and want to start working or earning earlier, an **EUD** path can be a strong and respected choice too.

If you want, I can help you list schools near where you live, compare STX and IB programs nearby, or even help you make a pros/cons list for each path. Let me know your preferences or interests, and I'll tailor the advice even more.