

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Somalia. 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 a great place to be — finishing primary school and thinking about your next step is exciting, and a bit overwhelming too. Since you're 16 and just completed primary school in Denmark, you're at the point where you can choose between several educational paths. I'll walk you through the main options and then offer suggestions based on your background and possible goals.

Main Educational Paths in Denmark After Primary School (Folkeskole)

1. Gymnasium (STX, HHX, HTX, HF)

These are upper secondary education options that prepare you for university.

- **STX** (Alment Gymnasium): Focuses on general subjects like humanities, science, and languages.
- **HHX** (Handelsgymnasium): Focuses on business, economics, and marketing.
- **HTX** (Teknisk Gymnasium): Focuses on technology, science, and innovation.
- **HF** (Højere Forberedelseseksamen): A 2-year general education program, good if you want a shorter route to further education.

2. EUD/Erhvervsuddannelse (Vocational Education and Training)

A mix of school and apprenticeship that prepares you for a specific trade or job (e.g., electrician, hairdresser, chef, mechanic).

3. Kombinerede forløb (EUX)

This combines vocational training with a gymnasium-level academic education. It gives you both a trade qualification **and** the option to go to university.

Recommendations Based on Your Situation

Since you're fluent in Danish, born and raised in Denmark, and just finished folkeskole, here are some key questions to help guide your decision:

1. Do you enjoy academic subjects like math, science, literature, or social studies?

→ Consider **STX**, **HTX**, or **HHX** depending on your interests:

- **STX** if you like a broad mix (humanities, languages, science).
- **HTX** if you enjoy science, technology, or engineering.
- **HHX** if you're interested in business, economics, or entrepreneurship.

2. Do you prefer hands-on, practical work?

→ **EUD** is a great option. You can learn a trade, earn money early, and start a career quickly. It's also possible to go further later (like through EUX).

3. Want both academic and practical options open?

→ **EUX** is excellent if you want flexibility. You get a trade *and* a studentereksamen level qualification.

4. Are you unsure and want a shorter general education route?

→ **HF** is only 2 years and allows you to continue into higher education afterward.

Example Scenarios

- **Interested in tech and innovation?** → HTX (technical gymnasium).
 - **Want to become a nurse, teacher, or social worker?** → STX or HF.
 - **Want to work in business or maybe open a company?** → HHX.
 - **Interested in a skilled job like electrician or mechanic, but also want the option for more education later?** → EUX.
 - **Want to start earning soon and learn a trade?** → EUD.
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Final Advice

- **Talk to a vejleder (educational counselor)** at your school or a UU-vejledning center — they can give you specific advice based on your grades, interests, and more.
- **Visit schools and open house events (åbent hus)** to see what feels right.
- **Choose what feels exciting — not just what feels “safe.”** Your path can always be adjusted later.

If you want, tell me more about what subjects you like, your hobbies, or any career ideas — and I can give you more personal advice.