

ChatGPT



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Burundi. 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 helps a lot in giving you good advice. Since you're 16 and just finished primary school in Denmark (likely *folkeskole*, which usually ends around 9th or 10th grade), you're at an important point where you choose between several educational paths.

In Denmark, you generally have three main options after primary school:

🎓 1. Gymnasium (STX, HHX, HTX, HF) – General Upper Secondary Education

If you're thinking about university in the future, this is the typical path.

- **STX** (Alment Gymnasium): Focus on general academic subjects like science, social studies, languages. Great if you're unsure what you want to study later.
- **HHX** (Handelsskolen): Business-focused – ideal if you're interested in economics, marketing, or starting your own business.
- **HTX** (Teknisk Gymnasium): Focus on technology, natural sciences, and IT – perfect if you like science or engineering.
- **HF**: A 2-year program, more practical and often used by older students or those wanting a quicker route to university.

✅ *Recommended if:* You enjoy school subjects, want to keep your options open, and maybe aim for higher education like university or a professional bachelor.

🔧 2. EUD – Vocational Education and Training

This is a more hands-on route where you train for a specific job (electrician, carpenter, hairdresser, etc.), combining school with apprenticeships.

- You typically do a basic course (*grundforløb*) followed by a practical part with a company.
- Many skilled jobs in Denmark pay well and are in high demand.

✅ *Recommended if:* You like working with your hands, want to get into work sooner, or are interested in a trade or craft.

🏠 3. EUX – Combination of Vocational Training and Gymnasium

Best of both worlds: You get a vocational education and a studentereksamen (upper secondary diploma), so you can either start working or continue to higher education later.

✓ *Recommended if:* You like practical work but also want the option to study at university later.

How to Choose?

Here are some questions to ask yourself:

- Do you enjoy academic subjects and want to go to university someday? → Consider **STX**, **HHX**, **HTX**.
 - Do you want to start working soon, doing something practical? → Consider **EUD**.
 - Do you want both work skills and the option for further study? → Consider **EUX**.
 - Are you still unsure? → You could try **10th grade** (*10. klasse*) to give yourself more time and try out different paths.
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Bonus Tip – Your Cultural Background

Being from a Burundian family might also give you unique strengths:

- Multilingual ability (maybe Kirundi or French?).
- Strong family/community values.
- A chance to represent and inspire others with similar backgrounds in Denmark.

You might even look into paths like **international relations**, **social work**, **teaching**, or **healthcare**, where your background could really be a strength.

✓ My Personal Recommendation (Based on What You Said)

If you're motivated and open to more school:

- ♦ **STX or HTX** if you like academic work.
- ♦ **EUX** if you like both practical and academic learning.
- ♦ **10th grade** if you're unsure and want to explore more.

Would you like to tell me more about your interests? (e.g. Do you like working with people, solving problems, building things, using computers, etc.?) Then I can give even more specific advice.