

ChatGPT



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Denmark. 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 point in life to be asking thoughtful questions—you're setting yourself up well by thinking carefully about your next step.

Since you've finished **primary school in Denmark** (which typically means you've completed **9th or 10th grade**), your main educational options now are part of Denmark's **youth education system**. Your choice depends mostly on your **interests, strengths, and long-term goals**.

Here are the main **paths you can choose from**, along with recommendations based on different types of interests:

🎓 1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary School)

These programs last **3 years (some 2)** and prepare you for **university or other higher education**.

A. STX (Studentereksamen)

- General upper secondary education with a mix of science, language, social science, and humanities.
- Good if you want **flexibility** and **aren't sure** exactly what you want to study later.

B. HHX (Higher Commercial Examination)

- Focus on **business, economics, marketing**, and languages.
- Great if you're interested in **commerce, business**, or **entrepreneurship**.

C. HTX (Higher Technical Examination)

- Focus on **science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM)**.
- Ideal if you like **innovation, machines, coding**, or **lab work**.


D. HF (Higher Preparatory Examination)

- A shorter, **2-year** academic program (usually for slightly older students or those who want a more practical path).
- Good if you want **to continue studying** but didn't enjoy traditional school or want a **more mature environment**.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training / EUD)

This is a **hands-on, practical path** that combines **school and apprenticeships**.

- Lasts between **2-5 years** depending on your field.
- You graduate with a skilled trade qualification.
- Examples: **Electrician, carpenter, chef, hairdresser, mechanic, healthcare assistant**, and many more.

 Recommended if you enjoy **practical work**, want to **enter the job market quickly**, or have a clear idea of what **trade or skill** you'd enjoy.

How to Decide?

Here are a few key questions to help you:

Question	Best Option If You Answer...
Do you want to go to university later?	STX, HHX, HTX, or HF
Do you enjoy working with your hands or practical tasks?	EUD
Do you want to start working and earning money soon?	EUD
Are you very interested in business or entrepreneurship?	HHX
Do you like science, tech, or design?	HTX
Do you want a broad education and aren't sure yet?	STX

Personalized Suggestion

If you're **still exploring**, I'd recommend you consider **STX** — it gives the broadest education and keeps almost all doors open later. You can switch to more specialized education later or go straight to university.

But if you **already know** you want to be, for example, a **mechanic, chef, or nurse assistant**, then starting an **EUD program** might be a faster and more motivating route for you.

Next Steps

1. **Visit open house events** (åbent hus) at local gymnasiums and vocational schools.
2. **Talk to your school counselor** (UU-vejleder) – they help students like you decide.
3. **Try a "brobygning" or intro course** – short programs where you can try out different schools.

Would you like to tell me more about your interests, hobbies, or subjects you enjoy? I can help tailor the recommendation even more if I know what you like!