

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Liechtenstein. 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?

Great that you're thinking ahead—this is an important time to explore your options! Since you just finished primary school in Denmark (which usually ends after 9th or 10th grade), you're likely choosing between different *youth education programs*. Here's a breakdown of your main options and some guidance based on your situation:

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are academic programs that prepare you for university.

Options include:

- **STX** (studentereksamen): Broad, traditional academic path.
- **HHX** (higher commercial exam): Focus on business, economics, marketing.
- **HTX** (technical upper secondary): Focus on science, technology, and innovation.
- **HF** (shorter, 2-year program): Aimed at more mature students or those wanting a more flexible academic path.

Good for you if:

- You enjoy academic subjects (Danish, history, science, languages, etc.)
- You're thinking about going to university or keeping your options open.
- You like structured school environments.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

These combine school with hands-on training and apprenticeships.

Tracks include:

- **Social & health care (SOSU)**
- **Technology, construction & transport**
- **Commerce, administration & business**
- **Food, agriculture & hospitality**

Good for you if:

- You want to get practical skills and start working sooner.
- You're interested in trades, crafts, healthcare, hospitality, etc.
- You enjoy learning by doing more than just studying books.

3. EUX – The Hybrid Option

Combines vocational training *and* general education, so you can both get a job *and* be qualified for university.

Good for you if:

- You want a skilled trade *but* don't want to close the door to university.
- You're ambitious and ready for a more demanding program.

4. International or Alternative Options

You mentioned your family is from Liechtenstein. If you're curious about studying abroad or keeping a European focus, consider:

- **IB (International Baccalaureate)** in Denmark (offered at some gymnasiums).
- **Exchange programs** or later studies in Liechtenstein, Switzerland, Germany, or Austria.
- **Language skills:** German might be a big asset if you want future ties to Liechtenstein.

How to Decide?

Ask yourself:

- Do I prefer **theoretical or practical** learning?
- Am I more interested in **getting a job soon** or **studying further**?
- Do I enjoy subjects like **science, language, or economics**?
- Do I want to **travel or work internationally** later?

Recommendation (based on what you've shared):

Since you're fluent in Danish, born and raised here, and probably well integrated into Danish education, a good **default recommendation** is to start with **STX** or **HHX**—especially if you're not yet sure what you want long-term. These give you flexibility and time to explore.

But if you already know you want a specific career (like mechanic, chef, nurse, or IT specialist), the **EUD** or **EUX** might be perfect.

If you'd like, I can help you create a shortlist of schools or programs near where you live. Just let me know your city or region!