

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Türkiye. 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 really helps in giving a more tailored answer. Since you've just finished primary school in Denmark and you're 16, you're likely at the point where you're choosing between different types of upper secondary education. Denmark has several good options depending on your interests, strengths, and future goals.

Here's a breakdown of your main educational paths:

### 1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These prepare you for higher education (e.g., university):

### STX (Alment gymnasium)

- Focus: Broad academic subjects like Danish, math, science, languages, history.
- Good if: You're interested in a wide range of subjects and want the option to go to university.
- Duration: 3 years

#### **HHX (Higher Commercial Examination)**

- Focus: Business, economics, marketing, international trade.
- Good if: You're interested in economics, languages, or business.
- Duration: 3 years

### **HTX (Higher Technical Examination)**

- Focus: Technology, science, engineering, and innovation.
- Good if: You like STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics).
- Duration: 3 years

#### **HF (Higher Preparatory Examination)**

- Focus: A shorter academic program, more practical than STX.
- Good if: You want to go to university or vocational education, but prefer a more straightforward path.

• Duration: 2 years

## **№** 2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training – EUD)

These prepare you for a skilled trade or craft:

- Focus: Hands-on learning, often combined with an apprenticeship.
- Examples: Electrician, carpenter, hairdresser, mechanic, childcare worker, etc.
- Good if: You like practical work and want to get into the workforce faster.
- Duration: 2-5 years (depending on the field)

## How to Decide?

Ask yourself:

- Do I like school subjects and want to go to university later?  $\rightarrow$  STX, HHX, HTX, or HF
- Do I prefer hands-on work and earning sooner? → EUD
- Do I want a mix of school and work? → EUX (a combo of vocational and academic gives both a trade and access to university)

# 🌎 With Your Background

Being fluent in Danish and having a multicultural background could be a real strength in:

- International business (HHX)
- Public service, social work, or education
- Healthcare (EUD in social/healthcare)
- Tech or engineering (HTX)

If you're not sure yet, **STX** is the most general and keeps the most doors open. If you already know you enjoy something like business or engineering, **HHX** or **HTX** might be a better fit.

## **o** My Recommendation

Since you just finished primary school and are still exploring, I recommend:

- Visit your local educational guidance counselor (Studievalg Danmark or UU-vejleder)
- Visit open house events at gymnasiums or vocational schools
- Talk to people in different careers maybe even family or community members

Want to tell me what subjects you like or what kind of future job you imagine? I can give a more specific suggestion if I know more about your interests!