

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Uganda. 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 — and congratulations on finishing primary school! That's a big milestone.

Since you're in Denmark and just completed **primary school (folkeskolen)**, you're likely at the point where you're considering what to do after **9th or 10th grade**. In Denmark, there are several great paths to choose from depending on your interests, strengths, and future goals. Here's a breakdown to help you think it through:

🎓 1. Gymnasium (General Upper Secondary Education)

If you're interested in going to **university later**, this is the most common path.

There are different types:

- **STX (Alment Gymnasium)** – Focus on general subjects like humanities, sciences, and social sciences.
- **HHX (Handelsskolens Gymnasium)** – Focus on business, economics, and languages.
- **HTX (Teknisk Gymnasium)** – Focus on science, technology, and design.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseseksamen)** – A shorter, more flexible 2-year program often used by students who prefer a different pace or didn't go straight from 9th grade.

Recommended if you:

- Enjoy academic subjects.
- Think you might want to go to university (to study anything from medicine to engineering to law).
- Want to keep your options open.

🔧 2. EUD (Erhvervsuddannelse – Vocational Education and Training)

These are practical education programs that prepare you to work directly in a trade or profession (e.g. electrician, carpenter, hairdresser, chef, etc.).

Recommended if you:

- Prefer hands-on learning.
- Want to start working earlier or start your own business.

- Are interested in specific trades or crafts.

Note: You can also take a **EUX**, which combines vocational training with academic subjects — giving you the option to apply for university later if you want.

3. 10th Grade (10. klasse)

If you're unsure what to choose, a 10th year can help you grow personally and academically, and explore your interests.

You can take 10th grade in:

- A local school,
- An **efterskole** (a residential school for one year, often with focus on specific interests like music, sports, technology, etc.)

Recommended if you:

- Want to mature a bit more before choosing your next step.
- Are still deciding what you're passionate about.
- Want a fresh environment or a new experience.

A Few Things to Ask Yourself

To figure out the best path for **you**, think about:

- Do you like theory and studying or working with your hands?
- Do you enjoy subjects like math, science, literature, business, or something else?
- Do you want to go to university someday?
- Do you want to start earning money sooner?
- Are you curious to explore different cultures, people, or creative fields?

Bonus: Your Background is a Strength!

Being bilingual (Danish + possibly Luganda or English?) and having a multicultural background is **a big advantage**. You could thrive in careers involving:

- International business or diplomacy (HHX → university),
- Health care or social work (STX or HF → university or vocational),
- IT or engineering (HTX or STX → university or vocational),
- Creative industries (e.g. design, music, communication),
- Entrepreneurship.

Example Paths Based on Interests:

Interest	Path Suggestion
Science, medicine, or tech	STX or HTX
Business or marketing	HHX or EUX business
Hands-on work like carpentry, cooking, hair	EUD or EUX
Art, design, or media	STX (art stream), efterskole with creative focus, or HTX
Unsure and want to explore more	10th grade (especially efterskole)

If you'd like, I can help you look at specific schools near you or give suggestions based on your favorite subjects or dreams. Just let me know a bit more about what you enjoy or hope for in the future.