

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Slovenia. 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 that! Since you've just finished primary school in Denmark (which typically ends after 9th or 10th grade), you're now at a point where you can choose between several educational paths depending on your interests, skills, and future goals. Here's a clear overview of your options and some advice to help you decide:

## Main Educational Paths After Primary School in Denmark:

### 1. Gymnasium (General Upper Secondary Education)

- **Options:** STX (general), HHX (business), HTX (technical), HF (shorter general course)
- **Duration:** 2–3 years
- **Who it's for:** Students aiming for **university** or other higher education
- **Why choose it:** If you're academically strong, enjoy subjects like languages, science, social studies, or want to keep many options open for later.

✅ *Recommended if:* You're curious about a broad range of subjects and might want to study at university later.

### 2. Erhvervsuddannelse (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

- **Focus:** Combines school and paid apprenticeships in a company
- **Fields:** Includes trades like carpentry, electricians, hairdressing, IT, mechanics, health care, and more
- **Duration:** 2–5 years depending on the path
- **Why choose it:** You get hands-on experience and can start earning money earlier.

✅ *Recommended if:* You prefer practical work over academic studies, and want to enter the job market faster with a skilled trade.

### 3. EUX – Vocational + General Education Hybrid

- **What it is:** A combination of EUD and a gymnasium-level education
- **Outcome:** You become both a skilled worker *and* qualify for university

- **Why choose it:** It's challenging but opens *both* academic and practical career paths.

✓ *Recommended if:* You're motivated, want a practical education, but still want to keep doors open to university later.

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### What to Think About When Choosing:

- **Do you like school and studying?** → Then gymnasium (especially STX or HHX) might suit you.
  - **Are you more hands-on and practical?** → Then EUD or EUX could be better.
  - **Do you have a clear career goal already?** → Choose the path that brings you closer to it.
  - **Still unsure?** → Consider going to an *efterskole* for a year to explore your interests more deeply.
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### Extra Tip (Cultural Advantage):

Being bilingual (Danish + Slovenian) is a big plus. If you're interested in **international business, diplomacy, translation, or tourism**, you can take advantage of your cultural background in your future studies or career.

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### Suggested Next Step:

**Talk to a vejleder (educational guidance counselor)** at your school or at **UddannelsesGuiden (UG.dk)**. They can give you personalized advice and help you apply.

If you tell me a bit more about what subjects or activities you enjoy (e.g., science, working with people, tech, art, helping others), I can give you a much more specific recommendation!