

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



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

Thank you for sharing a bit about yourself — you're actually in a great position with lots of options ahead. Since you just finished primary school in Denmark (I assume you mean *folkeskole*), your next step will likely be choosing between the main upper secondary education tracks. Let's break it down based on your situation:

1 Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are great if you're aiming for higher education later:

- **STX (Studentereksamen)**
Broad and academic. Good if you're interested in subjects like languages, social studies, natural sciences, or humanities.
→ Good fit if you're not 100% sure yet what you want to study later.
- **HHX (Higher Commercial Examination Programme)**
Focus on business, economics, and international trade.
→ Might fit you well since you have a multicultural background — international business could be an option.
- **HTX (Higher Technical Examination Programme)**
Focus on technology, natural sciences, and innovation.
→ If you like STEM subjects (science, tech, engineering, math).
- **HF (Higher Preparatory Examination Programme)**
Shorter (2 years), more practice-oriented, also gives access to higher education.
→ Good if you want a faster route to university or professional training.

2 Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD/EUX)

If you're more interested in practical, hands-on careers (crafts, health, IT, business, etc.):

- **EUD:** Traditional vocational track.
- **EUX:** Combines vocational education with academic subjects, so you can also continue to university if you want.

This could be a great option if you prefer learning-by-doing.

3 Other options to consider

- **International studies:** Since you have a Costa Rican background, you might also consider IB (International Baccalaureate) if it's available near you. It's an international upper secondary education that opens many doors worldwide.
- **Exchange programs:** Denmark has many youth exchange programs — it might be interesting to study abroad for a year (e.g. in Costa Rica, Europe, USA, etc.)

My personal recommendation (based on what you've shared)

Since you're fluent in Danish, have a multicultural background, and just finished primary school, I would suggest you consider:

STX or HHX

- STX: if you want to keep many doors open and explore different academic areas.
- HHX: if you're curious about business, international trade, or economics.

Both will give you strong qualifications for many university programs later, both in Denmark and abroad.

If you tell me a bit more — for example:

- What subjects you enjoy (math, languages, science, etc.)
- Whether you prefer academic vs. practical learning
- If you see yourself going to university later

—I can give you a much more tailored recommendation.

👉 Would you like to?