

Uddannelsesvalg efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Kuwait. 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 your background — and congrats on finishing primary school! At 16 in Denmark, you're at a key decision point. Since you're fluent in Danish and have completed the **Folkeskole**, here are your main options, depending on your interests, strengths, and goals:

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

This is the most common next step if you're academically inclined and might want to go to university later.

- **STX (Studentereksamen)**: Focuses on general academic subjects (languages, science, social studies). Good if you like school-style learning and want to keep many doors open.
- **HHX (Higher Commercial Examination)**: Business, economics, marketing. Great if you're interested in business, entrepreneurship, or commerce.
- **HTX (Higher Technical Examination)**: Science, technology, IT. Perfect if you enjoy tech, design, or engineering-related fields.
- **HF (Higher Preparatory Examination)**: A bit shorter (2 years), often more practical. Good if you want university options but a more flexible route.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

These are more hands-on and prepare you for a specific job (but can also lead to further education later).

- Great if you want to **start working sooner** or like **practical learning**.
- Examples: Electrician, mechanic, carpenter, hairdresser, social and healthcare assistant.
- Many programs offer **EUX**, which combines vocational training with academic courses and gives university access.

3. Specialised or alternative paths

- **International education** (like IB) — If you're curious about global learning and possibly studying abroad.

- **Efterskole** — Some people take 1 year here at 9th or 10th grade level for personal growth, social experience, or to explore interests like music, sport, or design.
 - **Folk High School (Højskole)** — Usually for older students (18+), but worth knowing about for later.
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How to Choose? Ask Yourself:

- Do I want to go to university one day? → **STX, HHX, HTX, HF, or EUX.**
 - Do I like learning by doing, and want a job after 3–4 years? → **EUD or EUX.**
 - Am I more academic or more practical?
 - What subjects excite me — science, tech, business, art, healthcare?
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Some Personal Advice:

Since you're bilingual and from a multicultural background, you might also consider how you can use your **language skills, cultural knowledge, and life experience.** For example:

- **Social work, international business, tech, or public administration** can all benefit from people with diverse backgrounds like yours.
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If you tell me more about what you enjoy doing — like your favorite school subjects, hobbies, or dreams — I can help narrow it down even more.