

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Guyana. 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 — and congrats on finishing primary school! That's a big step. Since you're in Denmark and just finished **folkeskolen** (primary and lower secondary education), you now have several educational options. The best path for you depends on your interests, strengths, and future goals. Here's an overview of the main options and some guidance tailored to you:

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

If you're interested in academic studies and possibly going to university later, this might be your path. There are several types:

- **STX** (Studentereksamen): Focuses on general subjects like languages, sciences, and social studies. Good if you're not sure what to specialize in yet.
- **HHX** (Higher Commercial Examination): Focuses on business, economics, and languages. Great if you're interested in working in business or finance.
- **HTX** (Higher Technical Examination): Focuses on technology, natural sciences, and innovation. Ideal if you're into science, tech, or engineering.
- **HF** (Higher Preparatory Examination): A shorter 2-year option, more practical/academic mix, often used as a second chance or by older students.

**Recommended if:** You enjoy schoolwork, want to keep doors open for university, or are still exploring your interests.

## **£** 2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

This is for students who want to get into the workforce sooner and learn a trade or skill — while still having the option to take further education later.

Some paths include:

- Electrician, carpenter, mechanic, chef, hairdresser, social care worker, and many more.
- These usually include both school and **praktik (apprenticeship)** with a company.

**Recommended if:** You want hands-on learning, know you're not into academic schoolwork, or want to start earning earlier.

#### 🧚 3. EUX – Combination of EUD and Gymnasium

This is a **dual program** where you get a vocational qualification **plus** a gymnasial-level diploma. It's more demanding but keeps many options open.

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## **(S)** How to decide?

Here are a few questions to help guide you:

- Do you like academic subjects like math, history, science, or languages?
- Or do you prefer practical, hands-on tasks?
- Do you see yourself at a university later?
- Are you interested in business, technology, arts, or helping people?

## Bonus thought:

Since your background includes Guyana and Denmark, you could also consider **international options** later — maybe study abroad or work in international business or development. Knowing Danish and possibly English gives you a strong foundation.

## My recommendation (based on what you've said):

Since you're fluent in Danish and just finished primary school in Denmark, I'd suggest:

Start with either STX or HHX, unless you're already sure about a specific trade.

- **STX** keeps the most doors open if you're still exploring.
- **HHX** if you're leaning toward business, economics, or international work.

If you already know you prefer practical skills or hands-on work, then **EUX** could be a smart compromise.

If you tell me a bit more about your **interests or dream jobs**, I can make the recommendation even more personal. Would you like that?