

# Uddannelsesvalg i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from The United States. 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 the context — you're in a great position with strong language skills and dual cultural background. At 16 in Denmark, you've got a few solid options for your next educational step, depending on your interests, goals, and whether you're thinking more locally or internationally.

Here's a breakdown of your main choices in Denmark, plus some considerations based on your American background:

## 1. Gymnasium (STX, HHX, HTX)

These are academic upper secondary programs (typically 3 years) that prepare you for university.

- **STX (Alment gymnasium):** General academic focus — good if you're not sure yet what you want to study.
- **HHX (Handelsgymnasium):** Business and economics focus — great if you like finance, marketing, or international business.
- **HTX (Teknisk gymnasium):** Science, tech, and engineering — best for STEM-oriented students.

### Why it might be right for you:

It keeps doors open for both Danish and international universities (including the U.S., with some extra effort), and fits well with someone who's bilingual and might want to study abroad.

## 2. EUD/Erhvervsuddannelse (Vocational education)

This is a combination of school and apprenticeship in a trade or profession (plumbing, carpentry, IT support, etc.).

### Why it might be right for you:

If you're more practical, like hands-on work, and want to enter the job market sooner. You can still take a path (EUX) that keeps the option open for university later.

## 3. International Options

Because of your U.S. citizenship and fluent Danish, you might consider:

- **International Baccalaureate (IB):** A globally recognized, English-language program. Offered at some Danish schools (like Østerbro, Birkerød Gymnasium, etc.).

- Great prep for studying abroad.
- Strong academically.
- **Studying abroad (e.g., U.S. high school, boarding school, or early college entrance):** Less common but could align with your dual nationality.

### 👉 Why it might be right for you:

It positions you well for U.S. or international universities and gives you a unique edge if you're aiming for global opportunities.

### 💡 Some Questions to Ask Yourself:

1. Do I enjoy academic work or more hands-on/practical learning?
2. Am I thinking about university in Denmark, the U.S., or somewhere else?
3. Do I have a passion for a particular subject already (e.g., science, art, business)?
4. Would I enjoy studying in English or Danish more?

### 🕒 Recommendation Summary

If you're open to academics and want to keep your options broad — especially for studying in Denmark **or** abroad — I'd recommend:

➡ **Either: STX with strong English + electives that match your interests**  
**Or: IB Diploma Program if you're thinking internationally.**

If you want help comparing specific schools, preparing for the IB, or thinking about a career path, I'm happy to dig deeper!

Would you like help comparing STX vs IB or figuring out what career fields you might enjoy?