

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Sierra Leone. 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—you're at an exciting point in your life! Since you've just finished primary school in Denmark and are thinking about what's next, here are your main educational paths, along with some guidance based on different interests and goals:

## Main Educational Options in Denmark After Primary School

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

These are academic-focused programs that prepare you for university. There are four main types:

- **STX (Studentereksamen)** General upper secondary, strong in humanities, sciences, and social sciences.
- HHX (Højere Handelseksamen) Focus on business, economics, and marketing.
- HTX (Højere Teknisk Eksamen) Focus on science, technology, and engineering.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseseksamen)** A 2-year general program, often for students who prefer a shorter and more practice-oriented academic route.

# Recommended if:

You enjoy academic subjects and might want to go to university later. Also a good path if you're still figuring things out and want to keep your options open.

#### 2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training / EUD)

These are more hands-on and prepare you directly for a career, often through apprenticeships. Areas include:

- Carpentry, plumbing, electrical work
- Health care, social work
- IT and technical fields
- Culinary arts and hospitality

## Recommended if:

You prefer practical learning, want to start working earlier, or know you're interested in a specific trade or job area.



#### 3. Kombineret forløb (EUX)

This combines vocational education with general upper secondary education. You get both a vocational qualification and the ability to go to university.

Recommended if:

You want a career-focused education but also want to keep university as an option.

## Things to Consider Before Choosing

- What are your strengths? Do you enjoy reading, math, working with your hands, creating things, helping people?
- What are your interests? Technology? Business? Helping others? Creative arts?
- Do you want to go to university later? Or would you prefer to start working sooner?
- Do you want to keep your options open for now?

## My Personal Suggestion

Since you're fluent in Danish, born and raised in Denmark, and just finished primary school, you have access to all these options. If you're not sure yet what you want long-term, I recommend starting with **STX or HHX**:

- STX is great if you're not sure exactly what you want but like general academic learning.
- **HHX** is excellent if you have any interest in business, marketing, or economics.

But if you're more of a practical learner and want real-world experience, look into **EUX** – it's flexible and can open many doors.

Would you like help figuring out what program might fit best with your interests? I can help you do a small self-assessment to quide your decision.