

ChatGPT



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Bangladesh. 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 at a great point in your life to explore different possibilities, and since you've just completed primary school in Denmark, you have several educational paths to choose from depending on your interests, skills, and long-term goals.

In Denmark, after 9th or 10th grade (primary/lower secondary school), your main options are:

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are academic programs that prepare you for university.

Main types:

- **STX (Studentereksamen)** – Focus on humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences.
- **HHX (Højere Handelseksamen)** – Focus on business, economics, and marketing.
- **HTX (Højere Teknisk Eksamen)** – Focus on technology, science, and engineering.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseseksamen)** – A shorter (2-year) version for those who want a more flexible or faster route to higher education.

✓ **Recommended if:** You're interested in continuing to university and enjoy studying in an academic environment.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training, EUD)

This combines school with hands-on work experience (apprenticeships), and prepares you directly for a trade or job.


You can specialize in:

- **Technology and construction** (e.g. electrician, mechanic, carpenter)
- **Health and care** (e.g. social and health care assistant)
- **Commerce and service** (e.g. retail, office work, tourism)
- **Gastronomy and food** (e.g. chef, baker)

✓ **Recommended if:** You prefer practical work, want to start working sooner, or are interested in a skilled trade.

3. Kombineret forløb / EUX (Combined vocational and academic education)

This is a hybrid where you get a vocational education **plus** a study qualification, similar to STX. It allows you to work in a trade **or** continue to university.

 **Recommended if:** You want flexibility – both job skills and the option to study further.

How to Choose?

Think about:

1. What are your interests?

- Do you like math, science, languages, business, or working with your hands?

2. Do you want to go to university later?

- If yes: STX, HHX, HTX, HF, or EUX.

3. Do you want to start working earlier in life?

- If yes: EUD or EUX.

4. Do you enjoy school-style learning or more practical training?

Personal Note – as someone with a multicultural background:

Your Bangladeshi roots can be a strength. Being fluent in Danish and possibly Bengali (or understanding the culture) gives you a unique identity that can be valuable in many fields, especially international business, healthcare, education, or community work.

Practical Next Steps:

- Talk to a **studievejleder (student counselor)** at your school.
- Attend **open house events** at local gymnasiums or vocational schools.
- Try a **brobygning (bridging course)** to test different programs for a week or two.
- Ask people around you – older students, teachers, parents – about their experiences.

Would you like me to suggest specific programs or schools near where you live in Denmark? Or help you figure out your interests with a short quiz?