

# Uddannelsesmuligheder i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Vanuatu. 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 a bit about yourself — it's great that you're thinking seriously about your next steps at 16. In Denmark, after finishing **Folkeskole (primary/lower secondary school)**, you have a few main educational options depending on your interests, strengths, and long-term goals.

## 1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

If you're academically inclined or aiming for university later, one of these is a strong choice:

- **STX (Studentereksamen)**

General academic program with a broad range of subjects (science, humanities, languages).

**Good for:** If you're unsure exactly what you want to study later or enjoy academic subjects.

- **HHX (Higher Commercial Examination)**

Focus on business, economics, and international trade.

**Good for:** If you're interested in business, finance, or entrepreneurship.

- **HTX (Higher Technical Examination)**

Focus on science, technology, and IT.

**Good for:** If you like subjects like math, physics, engineering, or technology.

- **HF (Higher Preparatory Examination)**

Shorter (2 years), more flexible.

**Good for:** If you want to get to higher education quicker, or need a more practical route.

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

If you're more hands-on and want to work sooner or gain a trade skill:

You learn part-time in school and part-time as an apprentice at a company.

**Fields include:**

- Electrician, carpenter, mechanic
- Healthcare, childcare, culinary arts

- IT-support, media technician

**Good for:** If you want practical skills and a job soon after finishing education.

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### 3. Kombinerede eller særlige forløb (Combined/Alternative Paths)

There are also programs like:

- **EUX:** Combines vocational education with subjects from gymnasium, so you can both work and later go to university.
  - **10. klasse:** Optional extra year after 9th grade, if you're not sure what you want yet or want to improve grades.
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### How to Decide

Ask yourself:

- Do I enjoy school subjects, or prefer hands-on work?
- Am I thinking about university someday?
- What kinds of careers interest me?

Also, talk to your school counselor (studievejleder). They can help you pick a direction and maybe organize a visit to a local gymnasium or vocational school.

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### With Your Background

You're in a unique and valuable position:

- Bilingual in Danish and likely exposed to different cultures from your Vanuatu heritage.
- This could be a big asset in fields like international business, social work, language studies, diplomacy, or tourism.

If you want, I can help you explore specific careers and how to get there from where you are. Just tell me a bit more about your interests!