

# Uddannelsesvejledning for 16-årig



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Italy. 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! Based on your background — being 16, fluent in Danish, recently finished primary school, and considering your next steps — here are a few educational paths commonly available in Denmark, with some advice tailored to your situation:

## 1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

These are academic programs that typically last 3 years and prepare you for university. There are a few main types:

### STX (Studentereksamen)

- Broadest academic focus (humanities, sciences, social sciences).
- Great if you're not sure yet what to study at university.
- Often includes more language and cultural subjects — could be a plus with your Italian roots.

### HHX (Higher Commercial Examination Programme)

- Focus on business, economics, and international trade.
- Good if you're interested in working in companies, finance, or studying business later.

### HTX (Higher Technical Examination Programme)

- Focus on science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM).
- Great if you're into computers, engineering, or science.

### HF (Higher Preparatory Examination Programme)

- Only 2 years (shorter option).
- Often for students who want a more practical/less academic route or are unsure about university.
- You can also take HF as a bridge if you want to change paths later.

✓ **Recommendation:** If you're academically inclined and think you may want to go to university later, **STX** or **HHX** are solid options. HHX could be especially interesting if you like the idea of international business or economics, which can also tie in with your Italian background.

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

These combine school and apprenticeships (praktik). You learn a trade and can work straight after, or continue your education later.

Popular paths:

- **Crafts (e.g., carpenter, electrician, mechanic)**
- **Healthcare (e.g., social and health care assistant)**
- **IT and tech support**
- **Retail, tourism, hospitality**

✓ **Recommendation:** If you like working hands-on and want to get into the workforce faster, this is a great path. You can still get further education later via *EUX*, a hybrid model.

## 3. *EUX* (Combination of Vocational + Academic)

A mix of vocational training (like EUD) and general education (like STX). It takes longer (usually 4–5 years) but gives you both practical experience **and** a qualification to enter university.

✓ **Recommendation:** This is ideal if you want job experience *and* want to keep the door open for university.

## Bonus Options Based on Your Background

### Multicultural Opportunities:

- With Danish and Italian fluency, you're in a strong position for international programs.
- Some **international STX or IB (International Baccalaureate)** programs are available in Denmark if you want a global education.

### Language/Exchange:

- You could consider an **EFTERSKOLE** (one year with focus on language, arts, or sports), if you feel like taking a slightly different path first and making new friends.

## Final Thoughts & Questions for You

To better guide you, ask yourself:

- Do I enjoy academic subjects or prefer learning by doing?
- Do I think I want to go to university later?
- What are my interests: science, business, social work, tech, arts?

If you give me more info on your interests (e.g., favorite subjects or what you dream of doing in life), I can give a more specific recommendation.

Would you like help comparing a few specific schools or programs near where you live in Denmark?