

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Tunisia. 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?

That's great that you've completed primary school — congratulations! Now comes an important decision about your next step. Since you're 16 and fluent in Danish, you're in a good position to choose among several strong educational paths in Denmark. Here's a breakdown of your options, based on your interests, strengths, and goals:

♦ 1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are good if you're academically inclined and maybe considering university later.

a. STX (Studentereksamen) – General upper secondary education

- Focus: Humanities, social sciences, natural sciences.
- Good for: University prep and keeping your options open.
- Duration: 3 years.

b. HHX (Higher Commercial Examination Programme)

- Focus: Business, economics, marketing, and languages.
- Good for: Careers in business or international trade.
- Duration: 3 years.

c. HTX (Higher Technical Examination Programme)

- Focus: Science, technology, engineering.
- Good for: STEM careers or technical university education.
- Duration: 3 years.

d. HF (Higher Preparatory Examination Programme)

- Focus: More practical/shorter than STX.
- Good for: People who prefer fewer subjects or want to go to professional bachelor's programmes.
- Duration: 2 years.

♦ 2. Erhvervsuddannelse (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

- Focus: Hands-on training and apprenticeship (e.g. electrician, carpenter, mechanic, healthcare).
- Good for: Getting a job faster or learning by doing.
- You can combine it with **EUX**, which gives you both a vocational education and the possibility to go to university later.

♦ 3. Other options to consider

- **10th grade (10. klasse)** – If you feel like you're not sure yet and want another year to prepare academically or personally.
- **Efterskole** – A 10th grade boarding school focusing on personal growth, independence, and often a specific subject (music, sports, etc.).
- **International Baccalaureate (IB)** – If you're interested in a more global education (requires strong English).

💡 Things to Ask Yourself

- Do you like academic work and studying?
- Are you more practical and hands-on?
- Do you want to go to university someday?
- Are you interested in technology, business, healthcare, or the arts?
- Do you enjoy working with people or things?

🕒 My Recommendation (based on your background and age):

Since you've finished primary school a bit later than usual (typically at age 15), I'd suggest:

➤ If you're unsure and want more time:

- **10th grade** or **Efterskole** (especially if you're interested in gaining confidence, meeting new people, or exploring a specific interest).

➤ If you're ready to continue your education seriously:

- **STX** if you want a broad education and might want to study at university later.
- **HHX** if you're interested in business or international trade (which might fit well with your multicultural background).
- **EUX** if you're practical but also want the option to study further later.

Let me know what your interests are (e.g. science, tech, business, arts, helping people), and I can give you a more tailored suggestion!