

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Lithuania. 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 a big step—congratulations on finishing primary school! Choosing the right educational path depends a lot on your interests, goals, and the kind of life you imagine for yourself. Here's a breakdown of your main options in Denmark after primary school (folkeskolen), along with advice based on different goals or interests:

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

These are general academic paths that prepare you for university.

STX (Studentereksamen)

- Broad academic focus: humanities, sciences, and social sciences.
- Best if you're still figuring out your interests or want to keep many doors open.
- Good for university prep.

HTX (Teknisk Gymnasium)

- Focus on technology, natural sciences, and technical subjects.
- Great if you're into science, engineering, or IT.

HHX (Handelsgymnasium)

- Focus on business, economics, and international trade.
- Ideal if you're interested in business, marketing, finance, or entrepreneurship.

HF (Højere Forberedelseksamen)

- Shorter, 2-year program, more practical and flexible.
- Suitable if you want a faster way to qualify for some university programs or are more mature/independent.

2. Erhvervsuddannelse (Vocational Education & Training - VET/EUD)

- Learn a trade while working as an apprentice.
- Combines school and hands-on work experience.
- Examples: electrician, carpenter, mechanic, hairdresser, social care assistant.
- Leads to a job faster, but you can still continue to further education later.

This path is perfect if you enjoy working with your hands, being active, and learning in practical ways.

3. EUX – A Mix of VET + Gymnasium

- Combines vocational training with a full upper secondary academic qualification.
- Longer and more demanding but keeps both university and job options open.

Some Personal Advice:

Since you're fluent in Danish, born and raised in Denmark, and just finished primary school:

- If you're academically inclined and enjoy school, **STX, HTX, or HHX** are great paths to explore.
- If you prefer more practical learning and want to start earning or working sooner, **EUD** or **EUX** could suit you better.
- Since your family is from Lithuania, knowing multiple languages and cultures is a big plus—**HHX** could make good use of your international background, especially if you're interested in business or trade.

How to Decide

Ask yourself:

- Do I enjoy studying theory, reading, writing, or math?
- Do I want to work with people, technology, nature, or hands-on projects?
- Do I want to go to university later?

If you're unsure, it's okay. You can also talk to a **UU-vejleder (youth guidance counselor)** in your kommune—they're experts at helping people your age figure out the best next step.

If you'd like, I can help you make a more personalized recommendation based on your interests—just tell me a bit more about what subjects or activities you enjoy.