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I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Colombia. 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 helps give a clearer picture of your situation. In Denmark, after finishing **primary school (folkeskole)**, you typically have a few main educational paths to consider, depending on your interests, academic strengths, and long-term goals. Here's a breakdown to help you decide:

1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education – Academic Path)

These are best if you're considering going to university later. There are a few types:

A) STX - Studentereksamen

- Focus: Broad academic education (humanities, science, social studies).
- Good for: Students who are unsure what to specialize in yet.
- **Duration:** 3 years.
- **Recommended if:** You like general subjects and might want to go to university later.

B) HHX - Higher Commercial Examination

- Focus: Business, economics, and international trade.
- Good for: Future careers in business or entrepreneurship.
- **Duration:** 3 years.
- Recommended if: You're interested in commerce or want to work in companies or start your own.

C) HTX - Higher Technical Examination

- **Focus:** Technology, science, and engineering.
- **Good for:** People interested in tech, computers, or engineering.
- **Duration:** 3 years.
- **Recommended if:** You enjoy math, science, and technical subjects.

D) HF - Higher Preparatory Examination



- **Focus:** More flexible and shorter program (2 years).
- Good for: Those who want a more practical approach but still might want university later.
- Recommended if: You want a shorter route or didn't get the best grades but still want more education.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education – Practical Path)

These are for people who want to go directly into a skilled job after education.

- Focus: Hands-on learning and apprenticeships.
- Fields: Everything from mechanics, carpentry, and electricians to hairdressing, childcare, and healthcare.
- **Duration:** 2-5 years depending on the program.
- **Recommended if:** You prefer learning by doing and want to start working sooner.

There's even a combined option called **EUX**, where you do a vocational education **plus** some academic courses - so you can both work and go to university later if you want.

Choosing Based on Interests & Goals

Here are some guiding questions for you:

Question	If Yes, Consider
Do you want to go to university?	STX, HHX, HTX, or HF
Are you into science/tech?	НТХ
Do you enjoy business/economy?	ННХ
Prefer hands-on learning or starting work soon?	Vocational (EUD or EUX)
Like humanities, languages, or social studies?	STX
Want to keep options open but with a shorter education?	HF

Bonus - Your Colombian Background

Being bilingual or bicultural is a **huge asset**. You could consider areas like:

- International business (HHX or EUX)
- Translation/languages (STX with language focus)
- Social work or teaching (STX or $HF \rightarrow university$)
- **Healthcare** (Vocational or HTX, later nursing, etc.)

You might also look into opportunities where your heritage can be a strength, like working with multicultural youth, global companies, or international relations.



My Advice for You

If you're **interested in many things** or still figuring it out, I'd suggest starting with a **general academic path like STX** — it keeps the most doors open.

If you already **know what you enjoy**, like tech or business, then **HTX or HHX** might be a better match.

And if you're more of a **hands-on person**, vocational education (with EUX if you want to keep university open) could be great.

Would you like help comparing specific schools or programs near where you live in Denmark? I can also help you make a simple pros and cons list based on your interests.