

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



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

Thank you for sharing a bit about yourself — that helps a lot. You're at an important crossroads, and it's great that you're already thinking ahead. Since you've just finished primary school (I assume you mean **folkeskolen** — 9th or 10th grade), you have a few main educational paths in Denmark depending on your interests, strengths, and future goals.

Let's look at the main options:

## 1 Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are more academic and prepare you for university.

- **STX (Studentereksamen):** Broad, academic, good if you're not yet sure what you want to study later.
- **HHX (Higher Commercial Examination):** Focus on business, economics, international trade.
- **HTX (Higher Technical Examination):** Focus on natural sciences, technology, and innovation.
- **HF (Higher Preparatory Examination):** Shorter (2 years), more flexible, good if you want a slightly more practical approach or need a lighter academic load.

👉 **Recommended if:** you enjoy studying, might want to go to university, and want to keep your options open.

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

More practical and job-oriented. You combine school and apprenticeship.

- You can become e.g. electrician, carpenter, mechanic, social worker assistant, hairdresser, etc.
- Some programs even lead to higher education (via *EUX*).

👉 **Recommended if:** you prefer learning by doing, and want to start working sooner.

## 3 EUX (Combined Vocational and General Upper Secondary Education)

You get both a vocational education and a general upper secondary diploma, so you can work or study further.

👉 **Recommended if:** you want both practical skills and the option to go to university later.

**A few personal questions might help me fine-tune my advice:**

- What subjects do you enjoy most in school (e.g. math, languages, science, arts, business)?
  - Do you prefer practical work or more academic studies?
  - Do you have any dream careers yet?
  - Would you like a path that allows you to help people, work with technology, travel, or start your own business someday?
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If you give me a bit more detail, I can give you a few very concrete suggestions 🙌  
Shall we?