

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Singapore. 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 that! At 16 in Denmark, having just completed primary school, you're at a natural turning point in your education. Since you're fluent in Danish and grew up in Denmark, you have access to the full range of Danish educational opportunities. Your next step usually depends on your interests, strengths, and whether you're more academically or practically oriented. Here's a breakdown of your main options:

1. Gymnasium (General Upper Secondary Education)

If you're academically inclined and thinking about university in the future, this is the most common path.

Types:

- **STX (Almen studentereksamen):** General academic, includes humanities, science, and social science tracks.
- **HHX (Handelsskolens studentereksamen):** Focus on business, economics, and international studies.
- **HTX (Teknisk studentereksamen):** Focus on technology, science, and engineering.
- **IB (International Baccalaureate):** If you want international options and classes in English. Might be a good fit with your background.

Pros: Opens doors to higher education; keeps many future options open.

Cons: Requires interest in studying theory and doing a lot of written work.

2. EUD (Erhvervsuddannelse) – Vocational Education and Training

If you prefer hands-on work and want to enter the job market faster.

Fields: Everything from carpentry, mechanics, IT support, to health care, cooking, or hairdressing.

Pros: Learn by doing, get paid during apprenticeship, good job prospects.

Cons: Less academic, may limit access to universities (though you can later add "EUX" to open up that path).

3. EUX – Combined Vocational and General Education

Gives you a vocational education **and** a high school diploma. It's a hybrid.

Pros: Keeps both job and university options open.

Cons: Demanding workload – more classes and practical work.

4. International / Alternative Paths

- **Efterskole:** A one-year boarding school (usually after 9th or 10th grade) focusing on personal growth, special interests (music, sports, arts, etc.).
 - **IB (International Baccalaureate):** Good if you're considering university abroad or want an English-speaking environment.
 - **Study abroad programs:** As someone with roots in Singapore, you could also consider a short-term exchange or longer study in Singapore or elsewhere.
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Questions to Ask Yourself

- Do I enjoy school subjects and written assignments?
 - Am I more interested in practical work or hands-on learning?
 - Do I see myself going to university later on?
 - Do I want to work soon or keep doors open longer?
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Recommendation (Based on Your Background)

Since you're fluent in Danish and grew up in the Danish system, the **STX**, **HTX**, or **IB** programs are great if you're academically interested or unsure about your career yet — they keep your options open. If you already know you enjoy working practically, the **EUX** is a strong, flexible path.

If you want to tell me more about your interests (e.g., do you like science, arts, business, tech, working with people?), I can help you pick more specifically.

Would you like help choosing between STX, HTX, HHX, etc., based on what subjects you enjoy?