

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from South Sudan. 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 finished primary school and are fluent in Danish — that gives you a solid foundation for many different opportunities. In Denmark, after primary school (folkeskolen), you typically have a few different educational paths to choose from, depending on your interests, strengths, and future goals. Here's a breakdown of your options and how to think about choosing the right one:

♦ 1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General upper secondary education)

These are good if you're interested in **university later** and want a broad academic foundation.

Options:

- **STX (Studentereksamen):** General upper secondary education — wide variety of subjects including science, humanities, and social sciences.
- **HHX (Højere Handelseksamen):** Focus on business, economics, and marketing.
- **HTX (Højere Teknisk Eksamen):** Focus on science, technology, and engineering.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseksamen):** Shorter, 2-year program – more practical, good if you want to go to university but don't want to commit to 3 years of gymnasium.

Good for you if:

You're not sure what you want to do yet, enjoy academic subjects, and might want to go to university later.

♦ 2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational education and training - EUD)

This is a good option if you're more interested in **learning by doing** and want to go directly into a trade or profession.

Examples:

- Electrician
- Carpenter
- Hairdresser
- Mechanic
- Social and health care assistant (SOSU)
- IT support

You usually start at a technical school and then go into apprenticeships.

Good for you if:

You like practical work, want to start earning money earlier, and are not so interested in going to university.

♦ 3. Kombinationer: EUD

A mix between gymnasium and vocational education. You get both practical skills **and** a theoretical education that qualifies you for university.

Good for you if:

You want the option to work in a trade **or** go to university later.

♦ What to consider before choosing:

Question	Why it matters
What subjects do you enjoy most?	Helps you decide between academic or practical paths.
Do you see yourself going to university later?	Then STX, HHX, HTX or EUD could be good.
Do you want to start working soon and earn money?	Then EUD or EUD might be better.
Are you interested in business, science, social work, or something else?	Helps narrow the type of program (HHX for business, HTX for science, etc.)

♦ My general recommendation for you:

Since you've just finished primary school, are fluent in Danish, and your background may offer a unique perspective, I'd recommend:

- **If you're interested in a broad education and keeping your options open:**
→ **STX** or **EUD** could be great options.
- **If you already have a strong interest in a trade or career (like healthcare, tech, building, etc.):**
→ Look into **EUD** or **EUD**.
- **If you're interested in business and international issues (especially with your multicultural background):**
→ **HHX** might be a good fit.

Would you like help deciding based on what you're most interested in (like specific subjects or careers)? I can help you narrow it down more personally.