

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Viet Nam. 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 about yourself — and great job finishing primary school! Since you're 16 and fluent in Danish, you have several solid educational paths available in Denmark depending on your interests, strengths, and future goals. Here's a breakdown of your main options after primary school in Denmark:



## 1. Gymnasium (General Upper Secondary Education)

#### Ideal if you want to go to university later.

There are three main types of gymnasiums:

- STX (Alment Gymnasium): Broad academic focus good if you like subjects like literature, science, or social studies.
- HHX (Handelsskole): Business-focused good if you're into economics, marketing, or entrepreneurship.
- HTX (Teknisk Gymnasium): Focus on science and technology great if you like IT, engineering, or natural sciences.

#### Why choose gymnasium?

- Prepares you for higher education (like university or professional bachelor's degrees).
- Keeps a lot of doors open.

## 🔑 2. Erhvervsuddannelse (Vocational Education and Training – EUD)

#### Ideal if you want to work earlier or enjoy hands-on learning.

Examples of vocational tracks:

- Electrician
- Carpenter
- Hairdresser
- Chef



- IT Supporter
- Healthcare assistant

You combine school and work experience (apprenticeships). It typically takes 3–5 years.

#### Why choose EUD?

- You get a profession and salary sooner.
- Denmark has strong vocational education with good job prospects.



### 3. EUX (Hybrid: Vocational + Academic)

Best of both worlds — a combination of EUD and gymnasium.

You get a professional qualification and a general upper secondary education.

#### Why choose EUX?

- You become qualified for both a job and university.
- It's demanding but very rewarding.

## What should you choose?

That depends on your interests and future goals. Ask yourself:

- Do you enjoy academic subjects like history, math, or languages? → STX or HTX
- Are you curious about starting a business or working in finance? → **HHX**
- Do you want to work with your hands or start earning earlier? → **EUD**
- Do you want to keep both work and university options open?  $\rightarrow$  **EUX**

### You mentioned you're of Vietnamese background

This is a strength — you could eventually combine Danish and Vietnamese cultural knowledge in areas like international business, translation, global health, or tourism. Bilingual or multicultural skills are valuable!



### Final tip: Visit "UddannelsesGuiden" (ug.dk)

That's the official Danish education portal. You can take quizzes and read more in Danish about the options.

Would you like help deciding based on specific interests (e.g., tech, design, people, travel)? I can give more tailored suggestions if you tell me what you enjoy.