

Uddannelsesmuligheder i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Zambia. 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're thinking about your next step already—it's a very important moment in your life. In Denmark, after finishing **primary/lower secondary school (folkeskole)**, you have several options depending on your interests, goals, and how you prefer to learn. Here's a breakdown of your main paths, along with recommendations based on different ambitions:

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education – Academic)

This is a good path if you're considering university later.

Options:

- **STX (Studentereksamen)** – General upper secondary education, strong in languages, social studies, and science.
- **HHX (Højere Handelseksamen)** – Focuses on business, economics, and international trade.
- **HTX (Højere Teknisk Eksamen)** – Technical and scientific focus, ideal for engineering or IT.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseksamen)** – A 2-year program, often more mature students or those seeking a quicker route to higher education.

Recommended if:

- You enjoy academic subjects.
- You're thinking about going to university (in Denmark or abroad).
- You're not yet sure exactly what job you want, but want to keep doors open.

2. Erhvervsuddannelse (VET – Vocational Education and Training)

This path combines school with apprenticeships and prepares you for a skilled trade.

Fields include:

- Mechanics, electrical work, carpentry

- Hairdressing, catering, design
- Health and care, childcare, etc.

Recommended if:

- You want to get into the workforce more quickly.
- You enjoy hands-on work.
- You know what field you're passionate about.

3. Kombineret ungdomsuddannelse (EUX)

This combines vocational training **with** a high-level academic curriculum, so you get both a **studentereksamen** and a **vocational qualification**.

Recommended if:

- You want the flexibility to either work after your education or continue to university.
- You're hardworking and motivated—this program is intense!

My recommendation for you personally (based on what you've shared):

Since you're fluent in Danish, born and raised in Denmark, and coming from a multicultural background with Zambian roots, you have a lot of potential to bridge cultures and communities.

Ask yourself:

1. **Do you enjoy studying academic subjects (like math, science, languages, history)?**
2. **Do you already have a career in mind (like doctor, engineer, designer, entrepreneur, etc.)?**
3. **Do you prefer practical learning, or more theory and books?**

If you're unsure but want to keep your options open:

→ **STX or HHX** would be solid choices.

- STX if you want a broad, academic education.
- HHX if you're curious about business or economics (also helpful if you ever want to do something international, like work between Denmark and Zambia).

If you're very hands-on:

→ **EUX** is an excellent modern path—it's demanding, but gives you real flexibility.

Final Advice:

- Talk to your school guidance counselor (studievejleder).
- Visit open house events at local gymnasiums or vocational schools.
- Think about what you're naturally good at and what energizes you.

If you tell me more about your interests (like what subjects you enjoy, hobbies, what kind of life you'd like), I can give a more personal suggestion.