

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Grenada. 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 your background — it's great that you're thinking about your next steps early on. Since you've just finished primary school in Denmark, you're likely at the stage where you choose between different secondary education paths. Here's a breakdown of your main options and some guidance to help you decide based on your interests and strengths:

Main Educational Paths in Denmark After Primary School

1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

Designed to prepare you for university.

- **STX (Almen Studentereksamen)**
 - Broad academic focus: humanities, science, and social science.
 - Good if you're still exploring or want to go to university later.
- **HHX (Higher Commercial Examination Programme)**
 - Focus: business, economics, and marketing.
 - Great if you're interested in international trade, entrepreneurship, or business.
- **HTX (Higher Technical Examination Programme)**
 - Focus: technology, science, and IT.
 - Ideal if you like math, science, engineering, or want to work in tech.
- **HF (Higher Preparatory Examination Programme)**
 - Shorter (2 years), more flexible.
 - For students who want a second chance or aren't sure yet.
 - Good for entry to certain university programs or professions (e.g., teaching, nursing).

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training – EUD/EUX)

Prepares you for a specific job through both school and apprenticeship.

- **EUD (Vocational)**
 - Focus: hands-on trades like plumbing, carpentry, hairdressing, mechanics.

- Good if you want to start working faster or prefer learning by doing.
 - **EUX (Combined Vocational + Academic)**
 - Combines practical training and academic subjects.
 - You get both a trade and the qualifications to enter university.
 - Great for people who are unsure or want both options open.
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How to Choose?

Ask yourself:

- Do I like academic subjects (like languages, history, math)?
- Am I more hands-on or practical?
- Do I want to go to university, or start working sooner?
- Do I enjoy science/technology, business/economics, or creative work?

If you're unsure, consider:

- **EUX** – gives you flexibility.
 - **STX or HF** – keeps university options open while you decide.
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Example Scenarios

- **You like science and problem-solving** → HTX.
 - **You want to start a business someday** → HHX or EUX Business.
 - **You enjoy learning but aren't sure what you want yet** → STX or HF.
 - **You're hands-on and want to work soon** → EUD or EUX.
 - **You like both practical and academic work** → EUX is a strong all-round option.
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Final Tips

- **Visit open house events (åbent hus)** at local schools.
 - **Talk to a vejleder (school counselor)** — they can help with tests and guidance.
 - Consider how your **cultural background and interests** might guide your path too (languages, international studies, etc.).
 - You're only 16 — this choice isn't forever. There are ways to switch or build on what you study later.
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Would you like help narrowing it down based on your interests or strengths? I can also help look up programs near where you live if you'd like.