

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from The Syrian Arab Republic. 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 a great question—and it's awesome that you're thinking carefully about your future this early. In Denmark, after completing **primary school (folkeskole)** at around age 16, you generally have several main options depending on your interests, strengths, and goals. Here's a breakdown to help you decide:

1. EUD – Vocational Education and Training (Erhvervsuddannelse)

Best for: Students who enjoy hands-on work and want to start a career soon

- Combines school with paid internships (praktikplads)
- Leads to trades like electrician, carpenter, hairdresser, chef, mechanic, etc.
- Takes 3–5 years depending on the program
- You can still go to higher education afterward if you choose the **EUX** version

Recommendation: If you enjoy practical work and want to start earning sooner, this is a strong choice.

2. Gymnasium – Upper Secondary Education

Best for: Students who want to keep doors open for university

There are several types:

- **STX** (general academic): Focus on subjects like science, humanities, and social studies.
- **HHX** (business-oriented): Focus on economics, business, and languages.
- **HTX** (technical): Focus on science, technology, and engineering.
- **HF** (shorter and more flexible): A 2-year program that's good if you're not sure yet or want to get to university more quickly.

Recommendation:

- If you enjoy school subjects and might want to go to university one day, **STX or HHX** could be great.
- **HTX** is great if you're into science, IT, or engineering.

- **HF** can be good if you want something a bit shorter or more flexible.

3. EUX – Dual Vocational and Academic Education

Best for: Students who want both hands-on work and the option to go to university

- Combines EUD (vocational) and gymnasium-level academic studies
- You get a professional qualification *and* a studentereksamen (exam for higher education)
- Takes longer (around 4–5 years), but gives you many future options

Recommendation: If you're unsure whether you want to work or go to university later, this is an excellent middle ground.

Personal Factors to Think About:

- **Language Skills:** Being fluent in Danish is great—you're on equal footing. If you're also strong in English or Arabic, that could be an asset in global business, tech, or healthcare.
- **Your Interests:** What subjects or types of work do you enjoy most? Do you prefer working with your hands, solving problems, or helping people?
- **Long-Term Goals:** Do you see yourself going to university later? Or would you prefer to enter the workforce earlier?

Example Scenarios:

You are...	Suggested Path
Practical, want to work soon	EUD or EUX
Academic, maybe want university later	STX or HHX
Into science/tech, but unsure	HTX or EUX
Need something more flexible	HF

If you tell me more about what you're good at, what you enjoy, or what you're thinking about doing in the future (like a dream job), I can help you get even more specific.

Want to explore some job paths or industries together?