

Uddannelsesvejledning efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Uruguay. 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 a bit about yourself — that helps a lot in giving you the best advice. At 16, you've got several solid options in Denmark, and the right path depends on your interests, goals, and how you like to learn. Here's a breakdown of your main choices, and some personal suggestions based on your background:

🎓 Main Education Paths After Primary School in Denmark

1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

These are academic programs that prepare you for university.

- **STX (Almen studentereksamen)** – broad and academic, with subjects like science, humanities, and languages.
- **HHX (Højere handelseksamen)** – business-focused, with economics, marketing, etc.
- **HTX (Højere teknisk eksamen)** – technical and science-oriented, good if you like tech, IT, or engineering.
- **HF (Højere forberedelseksamen)** – shorter (2 years), often more flexible, and suited for students who may prefer a less traditional academic environment.

✅ **Recommended if** you're interested in continuing to university and enjoy academic learning.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

A combination of school and practical training. You learn a trade (e.g., carpenter, hairdresser, IT support, chef, etc.).

✅ **Recommended if** you enjoy hands-on work and want to enter the workforce sooner — or eventually run your own business.

3. EUX (Kombineret erhvervsuddannelse og gymnasial eksamen)

Combines vocational training with a general upper secondary education. You get both practical skills and a pathway to higher education.

✅ **Recommended if** you want the best of both worlds — practical training *and* the option to go to university later.

Things to Consider Based on You

- **Danish fluency:** You're fully equipped for all educational paths in Denmark — great advantage.
- **Uruguayan heritage:** This could be a strength, especially if you consider language-focused paths (Spanish is a major global language), international business, or cultural exchange careers.
- **Just finished primary school:** You might want to take an *efterskole* for a year if you're unsure, especially one that lets you try out different interests (e.g., music, sports, technology, or languages).

Personal Suggestions

- If you enjoy **academic subjects** and are considering university in the future:
→ Go for **STX** (broadest option), or **HHX** if you're curious about business.
- If you enjoy **technology or science**, or like **building and creating things**:
→ **HTX** or **EUX Tech** could be perfect.
- If you're not ready to choose a strict path yet and want a year to grow:
→ **Efterskole** or a **10th grade (10. klasse)** program can help you figure things out.

Final Tip

Many schools have open house events (*åbent hus*) — go visit a few and talk to students and teachers. It's the best way to feel what fits you.

If you want, I can also help you explore options based on your personal interests — just let me know what subjects or activities you like (or hate!), and I can help you get more specific.