

# Uddannelsesmuligheder i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Japan. 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! Since you're 16, just finished primary school in Denmark, and are fluent in Danish, you're at a key transition point where you can choose between different upper secondary education paths. Here's a breakdown of your main options and what might suit you best depending on your interests and goals:

## 1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are typically 3-year academic programs that prepare you for university.

### A. STX (Studentereksamen)

- **Focus:** Broad academic subjects—humanities, sciences, social sciences.
- **Good for you if:** You're not sure what you want yet but want to keep your options open for university.
- **Bonus:** Can mix Danish, English, and possibly take Japanese as a second language in some schools.

### B. HHX (Higher Commercial Examination Programme)

- **Focus:** Business, economics, marketing.
- **Good for you if:** You're interested in international trade, economics, or possibly working in business between Denmark and Japan.

### C. HTX (Higher Technical Examination Programme)

- **Focus:** Technology, science, IT, and design.
- **Good for you if:** You like science or engineering, or want a more practical/tech-based path.

### D. HF (Higher Preparatory Examination)

- **Focus:** Shorter (2 years), more flexible, easier access for adults or those who want to move quicker.
- **Good for you if:** You want a faster route or had challenges in primary school and want a more supportive environment.

## 2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training – VET)

These combine school and apprenticeship and are ideal if you want to work sooner.

- **Focus:** Trades, crafts, technical work, or services (e.g., electrician, carpenter, hairdresser, IT supporter).
  - **Good for you if:** You prefer hands-on learning and want to enter the job market after 3-4 years.
  - **Bonus:** You can still go to university later through **EUX**—a combo of VET and gymnasium-level education.
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## **Special Consideration: International and Language Skills**

Given your Japanese background, consider paths that:

- **Leverage your multicultural identity** – like international business, diplomacy, or language-related studies.
  - **Allow you to study abroad** – you could join programs with exchange options to Japan or other countries.
  - **Explore your heritage** – if you're interested, you might study Japanese language, history, or international relations later on.
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## **My Personal Recommendation:**

Based on your age, fluency in Danish, and bicultural background:

- **If you're interested in academics and possibly university** → **STX** is the most flexible and widely accepted path.
  - **If you're business-minded and see opportunities in connecting Denmark and Japan** → **HHX** might be perfect.
  - **If you're more practical and want to work with your hands or in tech** → **EUX** or **HTX** are solid options.
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If you share your **interests, strengths in school, or long-term goals**, I can tailor my advice even more. Would you like to do that?