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I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Cabo Verde. 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?

Thank you for sharing that—it's great that you're thinking carefully about your next steps. Living in Denmark, finishing primary school (folkeskolen), and being fluent in Danish gives you a strong foundation. Since you're 16, you're at the point where it's time to decide between different types of secondary education. Your choice depends on your interests, strengths, and long-term goals.

🎓 Main Educational Paths After Primary School in Denmark

Here are the most common options:

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

This is ideal if you're considering **university** later.

- **STX (Studentereksamen)**: Broad and academic; strong in humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences.
- **HHX (Højere Handelseksamen)**: Focuses on **business, economics, and international trade**.
- **HTX (Højere Teknisk Eksamen)**: Focuses on **science, technology, and innovation**.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseksamen)**: A 2-year academic track, more compact and often chosen by those who prefer practical or alternative learning styles.

Good for you if:

- You enjoy school and academic subjects.
- You might want to go to university in the future.
- You're not 100% sure about a career yet and want to keep your options open.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training, EUD)

Ideal if you prefer **hands-on work** or want to **start earning sooner**.

Examples:

- Electrician, carpenter, chef, hairdresser, mechanic, social and health care worker, etc.

Good for you if:

- You like practical learning and want to start working earlier.
- You're interested in a trade or job you can train for directly.
- You're considering starting your own business someday in a trade.

3. Kombinationsforløb (EUX)

This is a **hybrid**: vocational training + general education.

You get both a **studentereksamen** and a **trade qualification**.

Good for you if:

- You want to learn a trade **and** keep university as an option.
- You're motivated and can handle a busy schedule.

Factors to Think About:

- What subjects or activities do you enjoy most?
- Do you prefer theory (books, lectures) or practical work (hands-on, real-world tasks)?
- Would you rather go to university or start working/training sooner?
- Are you interested in entrepreneurship, technology, social work, business, or something else?

Example Paths Based on Interests

Interest Area	Recommended Path
Business / International	HHX or EUX Business
Science / Tech	HTX or STX (science line)
Social Work / Health	EUD in Social- og sundhedsuddannelse or HF
Trades (e.g., electrician)	EUD or EUX
Art / Humanities	STX (humanities)

Personal Suggestions for You

As someone with roots in Cabo Verde and a bilingual/cultural background:

- **Languages, international relations, or global business** might come naturally to you—HHX or STX could be a great fit.
- If you like helping people, social work or healthcare training (EUD or HF) could be fulfilling.
- If you're practical-minded and want to learn a skill, EUX gives you lots of flexibility.

Next Steps

- **Talk to an education counselor** at your school or your local UU vejleder (Ungdommens Uddannelsesvejledning).
- **Visit open house events** at local gymnasier and erhvervsskoler.
- Try "**praktik**" (short internships) if you're unsure.

Would you like to tell me more about your interests or favorite school subjects? That would help me give a more specific recommendation.