

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Guyana. 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 a bit about yourself — it helps me give you a better answer.

Since you're 16, fluent in Danish, and just finished primary school in Denmark, your situation is a little unique, because usually most Danish students finish *folkeskolen* (primary + lower secondary) around 16. Assuming you're about to move on to upper secondary (ungdomsuddannelse), let's talk about your options.

In Denmark, you typically have a few main paths after primary school:

## 1 Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary Academic Programmes)

These prepare you for university.

- **STX (Almen studentereksamen)**  
The most general and academic, with a wide range of subjects. Good if you're not sure yet what you want to study.
- **HHX (Højere handelseksamen)**  
Focus on business, economics, and international trade. Very useful if you're interested in business, marketing, or management.
- **HTX (Højere teknisk eksamen)**  
Focus on science, technology, engineering, and IT. Great if you like tech, science, or engineering.
- **HF (Højere forberedelseseksamen)**  
Shorter (2 years), a bit more practice-oriented. Good if you want a shorter academic route or need a more flexible program.

## 2 Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training, VET / EUD)

You learn a trade and get practical experience while studying. This can lead directly to jobs or further studies.

- Examples: electrician, carpenter, mechanic, chef, hairdresser, social and health care, etc.
- These can also be a good route if you prefer hands-on learning and want to enter the workforce sooner.

## 3 Kombineret ungdomsuddannelse (KUU), Produktionsskole, or other flexible programs

For students who might need a bit more time to find their path, or want something more practical and flexible.

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### **What I recommend depends on a few things:**

- **Do you want to go to university eventually?**  
→ STX, HHX, HTX, or HF are better.
  - **Do you prefer something more hands-on and job-focused?**  
→ Vocational (EUD) might be great.
  - **Are you still unsure?**  
→ STX or HF gives you the most flexibility while you figure it out.
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Since you're bilingual (Danish + likely English or Creole from Guyana), you actually have a strong advantage for both education and future work — languages are very valuable.

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### **👉 If you tell me a bit more about:**

- Your interests (math, science, business, social studies, tech, etc.)
- If you like studying or prefer more practical work
- If you're thinking about university or work after school

...I can give you a much more personal recommendation.

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Shall we? 😊