

Uddannelsesmuligheder i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Viet Nam. 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 — it's great that you're thinking carefully about your future education. In Denmark, after finishing **primary school (folkeskole)**, you have a few main options depending on your interests, academic strengths, and long-term goals. Here's a breakdown of the **main educational paths available to you**, along with recommendations based on different scenarios:

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are academic programs that prepare you for **university or higher education**. You typically attend these for 3 years.

The main options:

- **STX (Studentereksamen):** Broad academic focus — good if you enjoy humanities, sciences, or social sciences.
- **HHX (Højere Handelseksamen):** Focus on business, economics, and international trade.
- **HTX (Højere Teknisk Eksamen):** Focus on technology, natural sciences, and innovation.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseksamen):** 2-year program, more compact — good for people who prefer a shorter and more flexible path.

✓ Recommended if:

- You enjoy academic subjects.
- You're interested in going to university later.
- You're not sure exactly what career you want yet — it keeps your options open.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

These are practical programs that combine school and apprenticeship. You finish with qualifications for a skilled trade or profession (e.g. electrician, chef, carpenter, social care assistant).

✓ Recommended if:

- You prefer hands-on learning.
- You want to enter the workforce earlier (after 3-5 years).
- You're interested in a specific trade or craft.

There's also **EUX**, which combines vocational training with academic subjects — so you can both work and have the option to study further later.

3. 10th Grade (10. klasse)

If you're unsure about your next step, you can take 10th grade in:

- A regular school (folkeskole)
- An **efterskole** (a boarding school experience)
- Or through a vocational introduction program

Recommended if:

- You want more time to decide.
- You want to improve grades or try new subjects.
- You're curious about things like music, sports, or international culture (efterskoler often focus on a theme).

Personal and Cultural Considerations

Being fluent in Danish and having a Vietnamese background is a **strength**, especially if you're interested in:

- **Languages, international business, or diplomacy** (HHX or STX)
- **Health and social care** (EUD or STX with biology focus)
- **Technology or engineering** (HTX)

Your **bilingual skills** can be a real advantage in jobs that need cross-cultural communication or international work.

My Suggestions (Based on Your Situation)

Here's a general idea depending on your goals:

Goal	Recommended Path
Not sure yet	10th grade or STX (broad and flexible)
University or academic path	STX, HTX, or HHX
Work sooner / hands-on job	EUD or EUX
Mix of job and later study	EUX
Interest in business	HHX
Interest in science/tech	HTX

What You Can Do Next

1. **Talk to your school counselor (UU-vejleder)** – they'll help you apply and explore options.
 2. **Visit open house events** for gymnasiums or vocational schools near you.
 3. **Ask yourself:** What subjects did I enjoy most in school? What kind of learning do I like?
 4. **Consider an efterskole** if you want a fresh start or a year to grow personally.
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If you tell me more about what subjects you like, what kind of job you might want in the future, or if you like school vs. practical work, I can give you a more personalized suggestion!