

Uddannelsesvalg i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Senegal. 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, living in Denmark, just finished primary school, and are fluent in Danish, you're at a key moment where you can choose a path that fits both your interests and goals. In Denmark, after primary/lower secondary school (folkeskole), you typically choose between a few main educational tracks. Here's a breakdown to help guide your decision:

♦ Main Education Paths After 9th or 10th Grade in Denmark

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

If you're aiming for university or just want to keep your options open, this is a great path.

- **STX (Studentereksamen)** – Broad academic focus (humanities, sciences, social sciences). Good if you're unsure or want flexibility.
- **HHX (Higher Commercial Examination)** – Focus on business, economics, and marketing. Ideal if you're interested in business or entrepreneurship.
- **HTX (Higher Technical Examination)** – Focus on science, tech, engineering, and math (STEM). Good for tech lovers.
- **HF (Higher Preparatory Examination)** – A 2-year option, more direct and mature, often for students who prefer a less traditional route.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

Great if you want to work with your hands, learn a trade, or get into the job market faster.

- Programs in areas like carpentry, electrician, hairdressing, childcare, healthcare, cooking, etc.
- Combines school and apprenticeships (praktik).
- Can also lead to higher education later (via *EUX* or *EUD+*).

3. EUX (Combination of Vocational + Academic)

- Best of both worlds: You get a vocational education **and** a study qualification (gymnasial eksamen).
- Takes a bit longer but gives you more flexibility.

♦ What Should You Choose?

Ask yourself:

1. **Do you like academic work, or do you prefer hands-on learning?**
 2. **Are you aiming for university, or do you want to start working sooner?**
 3. **What subjects or activities do you enjoy most?**
 4. **Would you like to work in business, tech, healthcare, trades, arts, or something else?**
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♦ **Example Scenarios**

- **You love science/technology and think about university later → HTX.**
 - **You enjoy business or want to start your own company one day → HHX.**
 - **You want to become a chef, hairdresser, or mechanic → EUD (vocational school).**
 - **You're unsure but want to keep all doors open → STX or HF.**
 - **You want a practical trade but also want the option to go to university → EUX.**
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♦ **Advice Specifically for You**

As someone with Senegalese roots, you might also have unique cultural or language skills that could benefit you in areas like:

- **International business (HHX)**
- **Healthcare or social work (EUD + HF)**
- **Translation, teaching, or global development (STX)**

If you're unsure, visiting education fairs (*uddannelsesmesser*), talking to a study advisor (*studievejleder*), or trying out a **brobygning** (bridging program) can help a lot.

Would you like help exploring schools near you or making a list of pros and cons for different programs? Let me know what you're interested in, and I can help narrow it down further.