

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Laos. 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 your background—that really helps in giving you better advice. Since you just finished primary school in Denmark and you're 16, you're likely at the point where you're choosing between different **youth education options** (ungdomsuddannelser). In Denmark, the main paths after primary school are:

♦ 1. General Upper Secondary Education (Gymnasiale uddannelser)

These are academic programs that prepare you for university:

- **STX** (Studentereksamen): Broad academic focus—humanities, sciences, and social sciences.
- **HHX** (Higher Commercial Examination): Focus on business, economics, and languages.
- **HTX** (Higher Technical Examination): Focus on science, technology, and innovation.
- **HF** (Higher Preparatory Examination): Shorter (2 years), more practical, good if you're unsure or want to move on faster.

✓ Recommended if:

- You're interested in academic subjects.
- You might want to go to university.
- You enjoy classroom learning and writing assignments.

♦ 2. Vocational Education and Training (Erhvervsuddannelser – EUD)

This combines school with hands-on training at a workplace (praktik).

- Areas include healthcare, IT, mechanics, childcare, cooking, construction, etc.
- You can start working after finishing, or continue to **EUX** if you want both a vocational and academic qualification.

✓ Recommended if:

- You like practical, hands-on work.
- You want to start earning sooner.
- You're interested in a specific profession like electrician, chef, social worker, or mechanic.

♦ 3. EUX – Vocational + Academic Combo

EUX gives you both a vocational qualification **and** a study qualification (like gymnasiale uddannelser).

✓ Recommended if:

- You want to keep your options open: get a job **or** go to university later.
 - You're hard-working and can handle a packed schedule.
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What Should *You* Consider?

Ask yourself:

- Do I enjoy studying theory and abstract ideas (good for STX/HTX)?
 - Do I learn better by doing and using my hands (good for EUD/EUX)?
 - Am I already interested in a specific profession?
 - Do I want to go to university eventually?
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A Personal Suggestion:

If you're **not yet sure** what you want long-term, I'd recommend looking into **STX** or **EUX**. Both keep your future flexible. And since you're fluent in Danish and come from a multicultural background, you might also consider programs that involve **languages, communication, or social studies**—you could bring a unique perspective there.

Also, if you ever want to move between paths later, it's often possible with extra courses or bridge programs.

Would you like help comparing two specific education paths? Or are you leaning toward something like business, tech, healthcare, or something else?