

Uddannelsesmuligheder i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Tonga. 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 — that's really helpful. Since you're 16 and have completed primary school in Denmark, your next step would typically be **youth education** (*ungdomsuddannelse*). In Denmark, you have several strong options depending on your interests, strengths, and career goals. Here's a breakdown of the main paths:

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (Academic upper secondary education)

These are good if you think you might want to go to university later.

- **STX (Almen studentereksamen)**: Focuses on general academic subjects like languages, science, and humanities. Great if you're not sure what to study yet.
- **HHX (Higher Commercial Examination)**: Business and economics focused. Useful if you're into business, marketing, finance.
- **HTX (Higher Technical Examination)**: More technical and science-oriented. Great if you're into technology, engineering, IT.
- **HF (Higher Preparatory Examination)**: Shorter (2 years), more focused, and good if you're more practically inclined or want a shorter route to certain professions.

Recommended if: You like school-based learning, enjoy academic subjects, and are considering university.

2. Erhvervsuddannelse (Vocational education and training - EUD)

This is for you if you want to **learn a trade** or profession and get hands-on experience while studying.

- You can become a carpenter, electrician, chef, healthcare worker, mechanic, and many other things.
- Often includes **apprenticeships** (paid work while learning).
- Can lead to jobs **right after graduation** or open the door to further education (like **EUX** – see below).

Recommended if: You want to start working earlier, enjoy practical tasks, or are interested in a specific trade.

3. EUX – a combination of EUD + Gymnasial

You get a **vocational education AND a study-qualifying exam**. So you can both work in a trade and continue to university if you want.

Recommended if: You want flexibility — maybe a job right away, but also keep the door open to university later.

Other Considerations:

- **Your interests and strengths** — What do you enjoy? What are you good at? That should help guide your decision.
 - **Talk to an educational counselor (UU-vejleder)** — They can give you tailored advice based on your school performance and interests.
 - **Take a “brobygning” course** — These short introduction programs let you try out different educations before choosing.
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My Advice (based on what you've said):

Since you're fluent in Danish, were born and raised in Denmark, and just finished primary school, **all doors are open** to you. If you're unsure of your direction:

- Try **STX** if you're academically inclined but not sure what you want to study yet.
- Try **EUX** if you're practical but want options later.
- Or if you're eager to start a hands-on career, consider **EUD** in a field you enjoy.

Would you like help figuring out what career areas you might enjoy, based on your personality and interests? I can ask you a few short questions to guide you.