

# ChatGPT



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Cabo Verde. 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 that — you're at an important turning point, and it's great you're thinking ahead. Since you've just finished primary school in Denmark (which ends around 9th or 10th grade), your next step would typically be one of the upper secondary education options. Here's a breakdown to help you find the best path based on your interests, strengths, and future goals.

## First, Ask Yourself:

- **Do I enjoy academic subjects like math, science, literature, or languages?**
- **Do I prefer practical, hands-on learning?**
- **Do I already have a career in mind (e.g., doctor, mechanic, designer, entrepreneur)?**
- **Would I like to go to university one day? Or start working sooner?**

## Your Main Options in Denmark

### 1. STX (Studentereksamen) – General Upper Secondary Education

- **Good if you:** Like academic subjects and want the option to go to university later.
- **Focus:** Broad academic subjects (sciences, humanities, social studies, languages).
- **Duration:** 3 years.
- **Outcome:** Prepares you for higher education.

### 2. HHX (Higher Commercial Examination Programme)

- **Good if you:** Are interested in business, economics, marketing, or international trade.
- **Focus:** Business, economics, and languages.
- **Duration:** 3 years.
- **Outcome:** Can go to university or business schools after.

### 3. HTX (Higher Technical Examination Programme)

- **Good if you:** Enjoy science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM).
- **Focus:** Technology, natural sciences, and innovation.

- **Duration:** 3 years.
- **Outcome:** Leads to technical universities or engineering programs.

#### 4. EUX – Vocational + Academic

- **Good if you:** Want a trade (like electrician, mechanic, hairdresser, chef) but still want the option to go to university later.
- **Focus:** Combines practical training with academic learning.
- **Duration:** 4–5 years.
- **Outcome:** Skilled trade certification *and* qualification for higher education.

#### 5. EUD – Vocational Education and Training

- **Good if you:** Want to get into the job market faster and enjoy hands-on work.
- **Focus:** Fully focused on a specific job or trade.
- **Duration:** Usually around 2–4 years.
- **Outcome:** Direct pathway to skilled work, not university.

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### Extra Consideration for You

As someone with roots in Cabo Verde and fluency in Danish, you have unique strengths:

- **Cultural and language skills** – Great for international business, diplomacy, or teaching.
- **Bilingual advantage** – Learning more languages (like Portuguese or French) could open international doors.
- **Representation** – You could be a positive role model in fields where minorities are underrepresented (medicine, law, politics, etc.).

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### How to Choose:

1. **Visit “Studievalg Danmark” or “UddannelsesGuiden” (ug.dk)** to explore options.
2. **Talk to a guidance counselor** at your current school or at an “Ungdommens Uddannelsesvejledning” (UU-center).
3. **Visit open house events** at schools in your area.
4. **Ask yourself what kind of life you imagine at 25 or 30.**

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### If You're Still Unsure...

A good all-round recommendation would be **STX** – it keeps the most doors open and gives you time to explore what you really like.

But if you're more hands-on and want job skills earlier, **EUX** is a fantastic path — it's a hidden gem.

If you want, I can help you compare schools in your region or suggest paths based on your interests.  
Want to tell me more about what you enjoy or are good at?