

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Malaysia. 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 a great place to start. Since you're 16 and just finished primary school (which in Denmark typically ends at grade 9 or 10, depending on whether you completed the 10th year), you're now at an important crossroads in the Danish education system.

Here are your main options, and I'll also give some advice based on your background and future flexibility:

## ♦ 1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

This is the most common next step for students aiming for university later.

- **STX (Studentereksamen)** – General academic program. Broad subjects including sciences, humanities, and languages.
- **HHX (Højere Handelseksamen)** – Focused on business, economics, and international topics. Great if you're interested in business or management.
- **HTX (Højere Teknisk Eksamen)** – More technical and science-oriented (engineering, IT, biology, etc.).
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseksamen)** – Shorter (2 years), more mature environment. Good for those who didn't enjoy the traditional school setup.

### Recommended if:

You want to keep university open as an option, especially for careers in medicine, law, science, business, etc.

## ♦ 2. EUD (Erhvervsuddannelse / Vocational Education and Training)

If you want to get into the workforce faster or learn a skilled trade, this is a solid path.

Examples: Electrician, hairdresser, chef, carpenter, IT-supporter, etc. You get both classroom education and apprenticeship experience.

### Recommended if:

You enjoy practical work and would rather get job experience than sit in a classroom all day. It can still lead to university or business ownership later!

## ♦ 3. Kombinationsuddannelser (EUX)

Combines vocational training with academic subjects, so you get both a studentereksamen and a vocational qualification.

**Recommended if:**

You're ambitious and want both hands-on skills and the option for higher education later.

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**What Should *You* Consider?**

Given that:

- You're fluent in Danish,
- You're connected to both Danish and Malaysian cultures,
- You're at the decision point after primary school,

Ask yourself:

- Do you enjoy academic subjects like languages, science, or history? → **STX or HTX**
  - Are you curious about business or global trade? → **HHX**
  - Do you want a job quickly or enjoy working with your hands? → **EUD or EUX**
  - Are you unsure and want to keep your options open? → **STX or EUX**
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**My Personal Suggestion (based on what you've said):**

If you're open to university in the future and want to explore your strengths, **STX** is a solid and flexible choice. You'll study a wide range of subjects and have time to figure out your interests. Since you also have an international background, you might enjoy focusing on languages or global studies.

But if you're already sure you like something like business, tech, or working hands-on, you could go straight to **HHX**, **HTX**, or **EUX**.

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Would you like help comparing two of these in more detail? Or do you have a sense of what interests you most — like science, art, business, or something else?