

Uddannelsesvalg efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Belarus. 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?

Very good question — and it's great that you're already thinking seriously about your next steps. Since you're 16, just finished primary school (I'm assuming *folkeskole* or equivalent), and you're fluent in Danish, you have several options in Denmark. I'll walk you through some common pathways depending a bit on your interests, skills, and future ambitions:

1 Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

If you're academically inclined or still unsure about your future job, this is often a good next step.

Options:

- **STX (Almen Studentereksamen):** The most general upper secondary education. Broad subjects: humanities, sciences, social sciences, languages. Good if you want to keep many options open for university.
- **HHX (Højere Handelseksamen):** Focus on business, economics, marketing, and international trade. Great if you see yourself in business or finance.
- **HTX (Højere Teknisk Eksamen):** Focus on science, technology, IT, and engineering. Very good if you're interested in tech, IT, natural sciences.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseseksamen):** A bit shorter (2 years), more practical, good if you want university later but not a 3-year gymnasium.

🕒 Who this is good for:

If you're academic, enjoy school, and want to keep your options open for university or higher education later.

2 Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

If you're more hands-on and want to get into a trade or profession fairly quickly.

Examples:

- Electrician
- Carpenter
- IT support
- Chef

- Hairdresser
- Mechanic
- Health care assistant

You combine school and apprenticeship (praktik), and after 3-4 years you are fully qualified for work.

Who this is good for:

If you enjoy practical work and want to start a career faster, maybe earning money earlier.

3 EUX (Combination of vocational and academic)

A combination where you get both a vocational qualification *and* a studentereksamen level exam, so you can go to university afterwards.

Who this is good for:

If you want both practical skills and the option to study further.

4 Other options

- **Efterskole or højskole (1-year personal development schools)** if you want a "gap year" experience while still learning.
 - **International programs** if you are interested in studying in English or later studying abroad.
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Since your parents are from Belarus:

You may also have language skills (Russian, Belarusian) that could be useful in certain careers: international business, translation, diplomacy, IT companies, etc.

My advice in short:

- If you're academic → STX / HHX / HTX
 - If you're practical → EUD or EUX
 - If you're unsure → STX is the safest and most flexible
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If you tell me a bit more — for example:

- Your interests (science? business? creative? IT? something else?)
- Whether you like school / studying
- Whether you want to go to university or start work earlier

... then I can give you a much more tailored recommendation.

Shall we go a bit deeper?