

Uddannelsesvalg efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from The Democratic Republic of the Congo. 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?

Thank you for sharing a bit about yourself — that's very helpful. Since you just finished primary school in Denmark (which usually means **Folkeskole 9. klasse**), you're now at a very important crossroad. Let me give you a few options based on your situation and goals:

1 Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

If you want to keep your options open for university or higher education later, one of the gymnasiale uddannelser could be a good choice:

- **STX (Alment gymnasium)**
Broad general education with subjects like languages, science, social studies, and more.
- **HHX (Handelsgymnasium)**
Focuses on business, economics, and international relations. Very useful if you're interested in business or economics.
- **HTX (Teknisk gymnasium)**
Focuses more on science, technology, and technical subjects — good if you're into engineering, IT, or science.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseseksamen)**
A 2-year program, a bit more practical, often for those who want a shorter pathway to higher education.

👉 When this is a good option:

If you're not sure exactly what you want yet, but you want to keep as many doors open as possible.

2 Erhvervsuddannelse (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

If you're more interested in getting into a profession sooner, you can consider a vocational education, where you mix school and apprenticeship.

- Examples: Electrician, carpenter, healthcare worker, IT-supporter, chef, mechanic, etc.
- Many of these also have pathways to continue later to higher education if you change your mind.

👉 When this is a good option:

If you prefer practical work, want to get hands-on experience early, or have a clear profession in mind.

3 Kombinationsforløb (EUX)

This combines vocational training (EUD) with general upper secondary subjects. You get both a vocational qualification and a study qualification (studentereksamen).

👉 **When this is a good option:**

If you want both practical skills and the possibility of going to university later.

4 Alternative Paths

- **International education:** Since you're already fluent in Danish, you could consider an international IB program if you want an even broader international perspective.
 - **10. klasse:** If you're not yet sure and want an extra year to mature, some students take 10th grade at a regular school or efterskole.
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My personal advice (based on your age, background, and situation):

- If you're unsure but motivated for school: **STX or HHX**
 - If you have a specific practical interest: **EUD or EUX**
 - If you want a year to develop yourself: **10. klasse or efterskole**
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👉👉 If you tell me a bit more:

- What are your interests? (science, business, healthcare, IT, arts, etc.)
- Do you prefer theory or practical work?
- Do you want to go to university someday?

...I can give you a much more targeted recommendation. Shall we? 😊