

Uddannelsesvalg efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Sudan. 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 your background! Since you've just finished primary school in Denmark and you're thinking about your next step, this is a really important (but flexible!) moment in your life. In Denmark, after primary/lower secondary school (folkeskole), you generally have a few main paths to choose from, depending on your interests, strengths, and career goals.

Here's a breakdown of the main options and some recommendations tailored to your situation:

♦ 1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

These are the most common next step for students aiming for higher education (university or similar). You'd typically choose this if you enjoy academic subjects and want to keep your options open.

Main types:

- **STX (Alment gymnasium)** – Broad academic program; strong in humanities, science, and social studies.
- **HHX (Handelsskole)** – Focus on business, economics, and marketing.
- **HTX (Teknisk gymnasium)** – Focus on technology, natural sciences, and IT.
- **HF (Højere forberedelseseksamen)** – A bit shorter (2 years), often more flexible; good for older students or those who want a faster route to higher education.

✓ Recommendation:

If you enjoy school subjects like math, science, languages, or social studies and are considering university later on, **STX or HTX** might suit you well. If you're more into business or entrepreneurship, **HHX** could be ideal.

♦ 2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training – EUD)

This is a great choice if you prefer learning through practical work and want to get a job sooner. You can become a skilled worker (e.g. electrician, carpenter, chef, healthcare worker, etc.).

✓ Recommendation:

If you're hands-on and want to start working earlier (or earn while learning), a vocational path could be great. You can still move on to higher education later with a **eux-forløb**, which combines vocational training with academic studies.

♦ 3. Kombinationsforløb (EUX)

This combines vocational training **and** general upper secondary education. It's a bit demanding, but gives you both a trade and the option to go to university.

✓ Recommendation:

If you're ambitious and want flexibility (work and study options), **EUX** is an excellent middle path.

? Questions to ask yourself:

- Do I enjoy academic schoolwork?
 - Do I prefer hands-on, practical tasks?
 - Am I thinking about university?
 - Do I want to start working soon and be financially independent?
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🌐 Other Things to Consider:

- Being bilingual and bicultural is a **huge strength** – fields like healthcare, education, social work, and translation can benefit from that.
 - There are **support programs** and **student counseling (Studievalg Danmark)** that help you make the right choice – you can talk to a vejleder for free.
 - Don't worry about locking yourself in – the Danish system is very flexible. You can change your path later.
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Final Suggestion:

If you're not 100% sure yet, go for a **broad academic option like STX** – it gives you time and flexibility. If you already have a strong interest (like business or tech), then **HHX or HTX** might be better. If you're eager to get working and learn a craft, **EUD or EUX** are strong options.

Would you like help narrowing it down based on your interests or strengths in school?