

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Timor-Leste. 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 starting point. Since you've just finished primary school in Denmark and are considering your next step, here's a breakdown of your main options, along with some advice based on your background:

## 🎓 Main Educational Paths in Denmark After Primary School (Folkeskole)

At 16, you've likely completed **9th or 10th grade**. From here, you typically choose between two main types of education:

### 1. General Upper Secondary Education (Gymnasiale Uddannelser)

Ideal if you're interested in further academic study or university later on.

- **STX** (*Studentereksamen*) – Focus on broad academic subjects (humanities, sciences, social sciences).
- **HHX** (*Higher Commercial Examination*) – Focus on business, economics, and languages.
- **HTX** (*Higher Technical Examination*) – Focus on science, technology, and engineering.
- **HF** (*Higher Preparatory Examination*) – Shorter and more flexible (2 years), suitable if you didn't finish 10th grade or prefer a less theoretical environment.

#### Good choice if:

- You enjoy academic subjects.
- You're open to going to university later.
- You're still figuring out your interests.

### 2. Vocational Education and Training (EUD/EUX)

Hands-on education that prepares you for a job *and/or* higher education.

- **EUD** – Direct path to work (carpenter, electrician, hairdresser, etc.).
- **EUX** – Combines vocational training with academic subjects; allows you to go to university afterward too.

## Good choice if:

- You prefer practical work over academic study.
  - You want to start earning money sooner.
  - You're interested in trades or specific professions (healthcare, IT, construction, etc.).
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## Recommendations Based on You:

Given that you're fluent in Danish, were born and raised in Denmark, and just finished primary school, here are some things to consider:

### If You're Still Exploring:

- **STX** or **HF** would give you time to figure out your interests while keeping all doors open.
- These paths also allow you to discover more about your cultural identity, maybe through electives or international projects.

### If You Like Business or Tech:

- **HHX** (for business/economics/marketing)
- **HTX** (for tech/science/engineering)

### If You Prefer Working With Your Hands or Want to Work Soon:

- **EUX** is a great combo: vocational + academic. It's demanding but flexible.
  - **EUD** is perfect if you're sure you want to work in a trade.
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## Bonus Thoughts:

- As someone with roots in **Timor-Leste**, maybe international development, languages, or intercultural work could inspire you long-term.
  - If you're interested in **helping others**, jobs in healthcare, education, or social work are well-supported in Denmark.
  - If you want to **earn money sooner** and are not excited about university, the vocational path can be excellent.
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## Next Step: Try a Bridge Course or "Brobygning"

Denmark offers trial periods at different schools—take advantage of these to *try before you commit*.

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Would you like me to help you choose between a few programs near where you live? If you tell me your interests or what subjects you enjoy, I can suggest something more specific.