

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 your background — that's a great place to start! Since you're 16 and just finished primary school in Denmark, you're likely at the point where you're choosing between different **youth education paths** (ungdomsuddannelser). Your decision now can shape your future opportunities, but don't stress — the Danish education system is quite flexible and allows you to change direction later if needed.

Here are your main options, along with some recommendations based on common interests and goals:

🎓 1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General upper secondary education)

These are great if you're considering **university in the future**. There are several types:

STX (Almen studentereksamen)

- Focus: Broad education with humanities, sciences, and languages.
- Good for: University paths like law, medicine, social sciences, etc.

HHX (Højere handelseksamen)

- Focus: Business, economics, and international trade.
- Good for: Business schools, entrepreneurship, economics-related university studies.

HTX (Højere teknisk eksamen)

- Focus: Science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.
- Good for: Engineering, IT, health tech, science degrees.

HF (Højere forberedelseksamen)

- Focus: Shorter and more focused; 2 years instead of 3.
- Good for: People who want to move faster toward a specific education or job. Can lead to professional bachelor's degrees.

Recommended if you:

- Like school and academic subjects.

- Might want to go to university later.
- Want to keep doors open.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (EUD) (Vocational education and training)

These combine school and apprenticeships (praktik).

Examples:

- Electrician
- Carpenter
- Hairdresser
- Healthcare assistant (sosu)
- IT support or web developer

Recommended if you:

- Prefer hands-on learning.
- Want to start working sooner.
- Are interested in a specific trade.

Bonus: Denmark really supports vocational students, and jobs in trades are in high demand and often well paid.

3. International or Alternative Education Paths

You might consider:

- **IB (International Baccalaureate)** if you like English-language education.
- **Efterskole** (1-year boarding school) if you want a break with personal development, hobbies, or learning in a new way.

My suggestion based on your background:

Since you're fluent in Danish and finished primary school here, you're well placed to succeed in any path.

If you're not sure yet what you want to do, **STX or HHX** might be the best bets. They keep many options open and give you time to find your passion. If you're interested in **technology or science**, HTX is a great choice. If you like **working with your hands** or want to earn money earlier, consider an EUD.

Questions to ask yourself:

- Do I enjoy academic learning (reading, writing, theory)?
- Do I want to work right after school, or study more?
- Am I interested in business, science, social work, arts, or technology?

- Do I learn better through books or hands-on activities?
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Would you like help narrowing down the best gymnasium or EUD path based on your interests (like tech, health, business, etc.)? Or help with how to apply in Denmark?