

# Uddannelsesvejledning for 16-årig



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

That's great that you're fluent in Danish and just finished primary school — now is a perfect time to explore your options and set a direction that fits your interests, strengths, and long-term goals. In Denmark, after primary school (folkeskole), you generally have a few main educational paths to choose from, depending on what kind of learner you are and what kind of future you imagine for yourself.

Here's a breakdown of your main options, with some recommendations:

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

If you're interested in going to university someday or want to keep your options open, this is a solid choice.

### Types:

- **STX (Almen studentereksamen):** Broad academic focus (languages, sciences, social sciences).
- **HHX (Højere handelseksamen):** Focus on business, economics, and international trade.
- **HTX (Højere teknisk eksamen):** Focus on technology, natural sciences, and innovation.
- **HF (Højere forberedelseksamen):** Shorter (2 years), for those who want a more practical or quicker route to higher education.

### Recommendation:

- If you enjoy school subjects and might want to go to university later, **STX** or **HTX** could be great.
- If you're into business, trade, or languages (San Marino could give you a multicultural edge), **HHX** is worth considering.

## 2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

If you want to start working earlier, prefer practical skills, or want to become a skilled worker (e.g. electrician, chef, carpenter, IT-support), then a vocational education might suit you well.

- Combines school and apprenticeship in a company.
- Takes 3–5 years depending on the trade.

### Recommendation:

If you like hands-on work and want to earn money sooner, this is a great path — and Denmark really

supports skilled workers.

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### 3. EUX (The Hybrid Path)

- Combines vocational training with upper secondary education.
- You get both a studentereksamen **and** a skilled trade certificate.
- Takes longer, but gives both work and university options.

#### **Recommendation:**

If you're ambitious, and want both university access and job skills, **EUX** is a very smart choice.

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### How to Choose?

Here are some questions to ask yourself:

- Do I like academic learning or practical work more?
  - Am I thinking about university later, or do I want to work sooner?
  - What subjects do I enjoy? (Math, science, business, design?)
  - Do I want to start earning money soon?
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### Bonus: Your San Marino Background

Your international background can be a strength:

- **Language skills:** Maybe consider adding Italian to your studies.
  - **Cultural insight:** Could be valuable in international business, diplomacy, tourism, or education.
  - You might even look into **exchange programs or international studies** in the future.
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### Final Tip

You can also:

- Talk to a **UU-vejleder (educational guidance counselor)** at your school.
  - Visit **open houses** at gymnasiums and vocational schools.
  - Try an **intro course (brobygning)** in 9th/10th grade if you're unsure.
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If you tell me more about what subjects you like or what you imagine doing in the future, I can give a more personalized recommendation!