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I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Myanmar. 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 your background! It's great that you've just finished primary school — that's a big step. In Denmark, after primary school (folkeskole), students typically choose between a few main educational paths, depending on their interests, strengths, and future goals.

Here's a clear overview of your options, with some guidance to help you decide:

Main Educational Paths After Primary School in Denmark

1. General Upper Secondary Education – Gymnasiale uddannelser

These are academic programs that prepare you for university.

- **STX (Studentereksamen)** – Focuses on a wide range of subjects (languages, social sciences, natural sciences). Good if you're not sure yet what you want to study later.
- **HHX (Higher Commercial Examination Programme)** – Focuses on business, economics, and marketing.
- **HTX (Higher Technical Examination Programme)** – Focuses on technology, science, and engineering.
- **HF (Higher Preparatory Examination)** – A shorter 2-year program, often for people who want a more flexible path to higher education.

✓ Choose this path if you enjoy school subjects, want to go to university later, and prefer academic learning.

2. Vocational Education and Training – Erhvervsuddannelse (EUD)

These programs prepare you for a specific profession (e.g. carpenter, chef, mechanic, healthcare assistant) and mix school and apprenticeship in real workplaces.

- Usually takes 3-4 years.
- Leads to direct employment or further education (like EUX or academy professions).

✓ Choose this path if you want hands-on experience, prefer practical learning, and want to start working sooner.

3. Combined Academic and Vocational – EUX

This is a mix of vocational training and academic subjects. You get both a vocational qualification **and** a studentereksamen level exam.

- Harder, but gives flexibility: you can go to university **or** get a job after.

✅ **Choose this if you're motivated and want both options: working and further academic study.**

🤔 What Might Be a Good Fit for You?

Based on what you've told me:

- You're fluent in Danish, which is a strong advantage.
- You've completed primary school in Denmark, so you know the system well.
- Your cultural background may give you a broader perspective — a strength in both business and global subjects.

Here are a few recommendations depending on your interests:

👉 If you're interested in science, engineering, or IT:

Consider HTX – gives you a strong foundation in STEM subjects.

👉 If you're interested in business, finance, or working internationally:

Consider HHX – it combines language, economics, and business strategy.

👉 If you like working with your hands or want to get a job sooner:

Consider EUD or EUX – choose a practical area (e.g., electrician, IT support, or social/healthcare assistant).

👉 If you're unsure and want to keep doors open:

STX is the most general and gives you time to explore.

🕒 What You Can Do Now

1. **Visit educational guidance centers (Studievalg or UU-vejledningen)** – They offer free advice and help you understand your local options.
 2. **Go to open house events (Åbent Hus)** – You can visit gymnasiums or vocational schools to get a feel for the environment.
 3. **Talk to others** – Friends, teachers, family, and even people working in careers you're curious about.
 4. **Think about your interests** – What subjects do you enjoy most? What do you imagine yourself doing in 5–10 years?
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Would you like help narrowing it down based on your interests or goals? If you tell me more about what you enjoy doing (subjects, hobbies, what motivates you), I can give you a more personal recommendation.