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I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Fiji. 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 — it's great that you're thinking seriously about your next step. Since you've just finished primary school in Denmark and you're fluent in Danish, you have a few solid educational options in front of you. Let's break them down, and I'll give you some tailored guidance depending on your interests, goals, and personality.

Your Main Options After Primary School in Denmark:

In Denmark, after completing **folkeskole (primary/lower secondary school)**, you typically choose between these three main paths:

1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are academic programs that prepare you for university.

Types:

- **STX (Alment gymnasium)** – General upper secondary, broad subjects
- **HHX (Handelsskolen)** – Focus on business, economics, marketing
- **HTX (Teknisk gymnasium)** – Focus on science, tech, engineering
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseseksamen)** – Shorter (2-year) option, more flexible

Recommended if: You want to go to university later, like becoming a doctor, engineer, teacher, psychologist, lawyer, etc.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training – EUD)

These combine school and practical work experience (apprenticeships) and prepare you to enter the job market with a skilled trade.

Examples:

- Electrician, carpenter, chef, IT-supporter, health care assistant, etc.

Recommended if: You like hands-on work, want to earn money while studying, and prefer learning by doing.

3. Kombinerede Uddannelser (EUX)

This combines a vocational education with a gymnasial exam, so you can both work and keep the door open to university.

Recommended if: You want the best of both worlds – practical training and academic qualifications.

What You Should Consider:

Here are some questions to help guide your choice:

1. What are your interests?

- Do you like working with people, ideas, or your hands?
- Are you more academic or practical?

2. Do you already have a career goal or dream job?

- If you want to become, say, a teacher, nurse, engineer, or businessperson — you'll likely need a gymnasial education.
- If you love fixing things, designing, or working in trades — vocational might be a better fit.

3. What kind of environment helps you thrive?

- Structured school with exams and theory?
- Hands-on learning and real-world experience?

Some Example Paths Based on Interests:

Interest	Recommended Path	Example Careers
Science, tech, or math	HTX	Engineer, programmer, lab tech
Business and economics	HHX	Marketing, finance, entrepreneur
Humanities and languages	STX	Teacher, journalist, lawyer
Caring for others, health	EUD (social & health), HF	Nurse, social worker, childcare assistant
Skilled trades	EUD	Electrician, carpenter, chef
Combination of practical and academic	EUX	Technician, logistics, business with university option

Final Thoughts for You

As a 16-year-old fluent in Danish with Fijian roots and a fresh start ahead of you:

- If you're curious, motivated, and enjoy academic challenges — **STX or HTX** are great stepping stones to university and keep your options open.
 - If you're not sure, or want something more practical — **EUX** is an amazing hybrid path.
 - If you already love a hands-on field — **EUD** lets you start working earlier and can still lead to more education later if you change your mind.
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Next Steps

1. **Visit a local ungdomsuddannelsesvejleder (youth education counselor)** — they can guide you based on your grades and interests.
 2. **Talk to students in different programs** – ask them what daily life is like.
 3. **Try "Brobygning"** – it's a short internship/trial program in upper secondary education to see if it suits you.
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If you'd like, tell me more about your interests or dreams, and I can help you narrow it down even more!