

# Uddannelsesvejledning i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from The United Republic of Tanzania. 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 helps a lot in offering tailored advice. Since you're 16, just finishing *Folkeskolen* (primary and lower secondary school), you're at the typical decision point for choosing a youth education path in Denmark. Here are the main options available, along with some thoughts to help you choose what might be best for **you**:

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

These are 3-year programs that prepare you for university. There are different types:

- **STX (Almen studentereksamen)**: Broad and academic, good if you're not sure yet what you want to study.
- **HTX (Teknisk studentereksamen)**: Focus on science, technology, and innovation. Great if you like engineering, IT, or natural sciences.
- **HHX (Merkantil studentereksamen)**: Focus on business, economics, and international trade.
- **HF (Højere forberedelseseksamen)**: A shorter 2-year academic program, often used for people who want a more flexible path to higher education.

### Choose this path if:

- You want to go to university one day.
- You enjoy academic learning.
- You're still exploring your future career direction.

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

A mix of school and hands-on apprenticeships. These lead to jobs like electrician, mechanic, carpenter, social and health assistant, chef, etc.

### Choose this path if:

- You like practical, hands-on work.
- You want to start working sooner and possibly earn while you learn.
- You might want to start your own business one day.

## How to Choose? Some Questions to Ask Yourself:

- Do you enjoy school subjects like math, languages, science, or history? → Consider **STX** or **HTX**.
  - Are you interested in business, finance, or entrepreneurship? → **HHX** could be a strong choice.
  - Do you prefer learning by doing and getting into the workforce faster? → An **EUD** could be ideal.
  - Not sure yet what you want? → **STX** or **HF** give you broad options and time to figure it out.
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## Bonus Ideas Based on Your Background:

- **Bilingual skills** (Danish + potentially Swahili or English) could open up paths in international business, development work, or diplomacy.
  - If you're interested in helping people or working across cultures, think about **social work**, **nursing**, or **teaching** — all have clear educational paths.
  - Denmark has good support for students with diverse backgrounds — you could also look into mentorship programs for young people with immigrant roots (like **BROEN**, **Headspace**, or **Lektiehjælp** services).
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Would you like help narrowing it down based on your **interests** or **hobbies**? If you tell me a bit about what you enjoy doing — inside or outside school — I can suggest more personalized paths.