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I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Bhutan. 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 that! Since you're 16, finished primary school in Denmark (which likely includes the *folkeskole* until 9th or 10th grade), and you're fluent in Danish, you're at a great point to choose a path that fits both your interests and goals.

Here's a breakdown of the most common options in Denmark after primary school, with some advice tailored to your situation:

🎓 1. Gymnasium (STX, HHX, HTX, or HF) – Academic Upper Secondary Education

This is the path for you if you want to go to university in the future.

- **STX (Alment Gymnasium):** General academic subjects, good for humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences.
- **HHX (Handelsskole):** Focus on business, economics, and marketing. Good if you're interested in commerce or international business.
- **HTX (Teknisk Gymnasium):** Focus on technology, natural sciences, and innovation. Great if you're into engineering, IT, or science.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseseksamen):** Shorter (2 years), more practical/straightforward, often chosen by those who didn't enjoy the more theoretical folkeskole structure.

✅ Recommended if:

- You're curious, enjoy school subjects, and think you might want to go to university later.
- You're not sure what you want, but you want to keep your options open.

🔧 2. EUD/Erhvervsuddannelse – Vocational Education and Training

You combine school and apprenticeship (praktik). You train to become, for example:

- Electrician, carpenter, hairdresser, chef, mechanic, healthcare worker, IT-supporter, etc.

✅ Recommended if:

- You want to start working earlier and learn in a more hands-on way.
- You enjoy practical work more than sitting in a classroom.
- You have a clear interest in a specific profession.

3. Kombineret Forløb or EUX – Mix of Vocational + Academic

You get a vocational education *and* the chance to take higher education later. It's more demanding but gives you a lot of flexibility.

Recommended if:

- You want practical skills + keep the door open for university.
- You're willing to work hard and like both theory and practice.

A Few Personalized Tips

- Being fluent in Danish and having Bhutanese heritage can be a strength! If you're interested in global perspectives, intercultural communication, or helping communities, this can guide your future studies or career path (e.g., international business, social work, public policy).
- If you're unsure what you're passionate about, visiting educational guidance counselors (*studievejleder*) or using websites like **ug.dk** (a Danish government resource) is a good next step.
- Consider what you *enjoy doing*, not just what sounds "good". School will be easier and more enjoyable if you follow your interests.

Would you like help figuring out what path matches your strengths and interests best? I can give you a small quiz-like guidance to narrow it down.