

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Jamaica. 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 — that really helps give a better answer. Since you're 16, just finished primary school in Denmark (which likely means *folkeskole*), and you're fluent in Danish, you're now at a typical decision point for Danish students: choosing a youth education path (*ungdomsuddannelse*). Here's a breakdown of your options and some guidance to help you choose:

🎓 Main Educational Paths After Folkeskole in Denmark

1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are more academically oriented and prepare you for university.

- **STX (Alment Gymnasium)** – General upper secondary school with a broad academic focus (sciences, languages, humanities).
- **HHX** – Focus on business, economics, and international trade.
- **HTX** – Focus on technology, natural sciences, and innovation.
- **HF** – Shorter (2 years), more flexible, often used by people who didn't go straight into gymnasium after 9th or 10th grade.

Recommended if:

You enjoy academic subjects and are considering university later on (e.g., doctor, engineer, psychologist, business, etc.).

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

These combine school and apprenticeship (praktik) in a company. You get trained for a profession (e.g., electrician, hairdresser, mechanic, chef, etc.).

- **EUX** – Combines vocational training with more academic subjects. You can work *and* still qualify for university.

Recommended if:

You like hands-on learning, want to start working earlier, or are interested in a specific trade or job.

🔍 What to Think About When Choosing

Ask yourself:

- Do I enjoy school and studying? Or do I prefer practical, hands-on work?
 - Do I have a career dream (even a vague one)?
 - Would I like to go to university someday?
 - Do I want to work sooner and maybe study later?
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A Bit of Personal Advice

Since you're fluent in Danish and have Jamaican roots, you may have a unique perspective or interest in culture, language, international relations, or diversity. That could be a strength in many fields — from education to diplomacy to business.

If you're unsure, here are two common and flexible routes:

Option 1: STX or HHX

Great if you're not sure yet but want to keep your options open for university.

- STX if you like a wide range of subjects.
- HHX if you're curious about business or global economics.

Option 2: EUX

Perfect if you're interested in learning a trade (like electrician, IT support, or health care assistant) but still want the chance to study further later.

What You Could Do Next

1. **Talk to an Educational Counselor** (*UU-vejleder*) – Most schools offer this.
 2. **Visit an Education Fair** (*uddannelsesmesse*) or **Open House** events at local schools.
 3. **Try an internship (brobygning)** – Even short ones can help you get a feel for what suits you.
 4. **Ask your teachers for advice** – They know your strengths.
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If you tell me what subjects you like or careers you're curious about, I can give even more tailored advice!