

# Uddannelsesmuligheder i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Kenya. 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's a great place to start. Since you just finished primary school in Denmark (likely **9th grade**, or possibly **10th**), you're at an important point in your education. Denmark offers several options after primary school, and your choice depends on your **interests**, **strengths**, **and long-term goals**.

# Here are your main options:

## 1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education – Academic Focus)

These are ideal if you're thinking about going to **university later**:

- **STX** (Studentereksamen): General upper secondary school broad range of subjects including humanities, science, and social science.
- HHX (Higher Commercial Examination): Focus on business, economics, and marketing.
- HTX (Higher Technical Examination): Focus on science, technology, and engineering.
- **HF** (Higher Preparatory Examination): Shorter (2 years), more practical and direct route to higher education.

### Recommended if:

You enjoy academic subjects and might want to study at university or a university college (professionshøjskole) later on.

## 2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training – VET)

This is a great choice if you're interested in **learning a trade or practical job** (electrician, carpenter, social care assistant, chef, etc.) and possibly starting work sooner.

- Mix of school and internships ("praktik") in a real workplace.
- You can still go to higher education later with the EUX option (combines VET and academic subjects).

#### Recommended if:

You prefer hands-on learning or want to get into the workforce earlier but keep the option of further education open.



#### What to consider:

#### Ask yourself:

- Do I enjoy studying academic subjects like math, languages, or science?
- Do I want to work with my hands, with people, or with ideas?
- Am I considering university or do I want to start a career sooner?
- What are my strengths (e.g., communication, problem-solving, practical work)?

# Some personal suggestions (based on what you've shared):

- If you're not sure yet and want to keep your options open, STX or HF can be a safe path. STX gives the broadest access to higher education later.
- If you're interested in business or tech, HHX or HTX could be a great fit.
- If you want practical experience and to learn a trade, VET with an EUX track can give you the best of both worlds.

#### Also:

In Denmark, guidance counselors (UU-vejleder) at your school or municipality can help you with **education plans, internships, and finding your path.** You could ask them for a meeting.

Would you like me to suggest a path based on your **interests**, **hobbies**, **or dream job**? That could help narrow it down even more.