

Uddannelsesvalg efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Honduras. 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?

That's great that you've just finished primary school — congrats! At 16 in Denmark, you're at a key decision point, and you have several solid options depending on your interests, goals, and how you like to learn.

Here's a quick overview of your main options after primary/lower secondary school:

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General upper secondary education)

If you're interested in eventually going to university, this is the usual path.

Main types:

- **STX** (Studentereksamen) Focus on general academic subjects like science, languages, and humanities.
- **HHX** Focus on business, economics, and marketing.
- HTX Focus on technology, IT, and science.
- **HF** Shorter, 2-year program often for more mature students, but still valid for university access.

Good if you:

- Like theoretical learning.
- Are considering university.
- Want to keep your options open.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational education and training – EUD)

This is a more practical path where you learn a trade (e.g. electrician, carpenter, chef, healthcare assistant). It mixes school with real work placements.

Good if you:

• Prefer hands-on learning.



- Want to start working sooner.
- Might want to start your own business someday.

Bonus: Denmark has a strong job market for skilled trades, and many vocational programs offer great wages and job security.



3. EUX – A mix of vocational and academic

This hybrid path combines the practical skills of EUD with the academic subjects of gymnasium, so you can both work and later go to university.

- Good if you:
 - Want both hands-on and academic learning.
 - Want the option of working or studying further.

Bonus thoughts for you personally:

Since your parents are from Honduras, maybe you have:

- Interest in international issues or bilingual work (like translation, diplomacy, or international business).
- Family/community connections that could guide you toward jobs in cultural work, international relations, or even helping migrants or refugees.

My suggestion:

Ask yourself these questions:

- Do I want to go to university later?
- Do I prefer books and theory, or doing things with my hands?
- Would I like to start working earlier, or keep studying longer?

If you're unsure:

- STX or HF keeps your options open.
- **EUX** is great for combining study and a job.
- Vocational education is great if you're ready to start working and want a skill you can use right away.

Final Tip:

Visit a local **UU-vejleder (youth education counselor)** – they can give tailored advice and maybe even help you visit schools or companies to see what feels right.



Would you like help figuring out what suits your interests or personality better? I can ask a few questions to narrow it down.