

ChatGPT



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Ecuador. 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. It's great that you're thinking about your next steps already. In Denmark, after finishing primary school (Folkeskole), there are several educational paths you can take, and the best one depends on your interests, strengths, and future goals.

Here's a quick overview of your options:

1. Erhvervsuddannelse (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

- **What it is:** A hands-on education that prepares you for a specific job (e.g. electrician, carpenter, hairdresser, social- and healthcare worker).
- **Duration:** 2–5 years depending on the field and structure.
- **Good if you:** Like practical work, want to get a job quickly, or maybe start your own business one day.
- **Path after:** You can work right away or later build on it with further education like an **EUX** (see below) or **short-cycle higher education**.

2. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are 3-year programs that prepare you for university or other higher education. You get a broad academic background.

a) STX (Studentereksamen)

- Most common, broad academic subjects (math, science, humanities, etc.).
- Good if you're not sure what you want to do yet.

b) HHX (Higher Commercial Examination)

- Focus on business, economics, and international trade.
- Good if you're interested in starting a business or working in finance, marketing, etc.

c) HTX (Higher Technical Examination)

- Focus on technology, science, and engineering.

- Good if you're into IT, science, or engineering.

d) HF (Higher Preparatory Examination)

- A 2-year version, more practical and flexible.
- Often chosen by older students or those who want a shorter route to further education.

3. EUX (Vocational + Academic Hybrid)

- Combines **EUD** with **STX-level subjects**.
- Gives you a skilled trade + eligibility for university.
- More demanding, but a powerful combo if you're ambitious and want flexibility.

So, what should YOU choose?

Let's match it to your situation:

- ✓ **You're fluent in Danish** — that's great, it means you can access any education.
- ✓ **You're 16 and just finished primary school** — a perfect time to start **STX, HHX, HTX, or EUD**.
- ✓ **You have Ecuadorian roots** — you could even bring in intercultural skills in jobs related to languages, international business, or social work.

✨ **If you enjoy studying and want to keep your options open:**

→ **STX** or **HHX** might be best.

- STX if you enjoy a mix of subjects and want to keep many doors open.
- HHX if you're more interested in business, entrepreneurship, or global economics.

🔧 **If you like working with your hands or want to start working earlier:**

→ **EUD** or **EUX** might suit you.

- For example, electrician, auto mechanic, chef, IT support, or social/healthcare work.
- EUX is great if you want both hands-on skills and a path to university later.

Next Steps

1. **Visit educational fairs (uddannelsesmesser)** – lots of info and student reps.
2. **Talk to your school's vejleder (guidance counselor)** – they can help you explore more.
3. **Consider your interests** – What do you enjoy? What are you good at?

If you tell me more about:

- Your favorite subjects in school
- What kind of work or lifestyle you dream of
- Whether you prefer hands-on or academic learning

... then I can give you a more personalized recommendation.