

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Tajikistan. 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 a big and exciting step—congratulations on finishing primary school! Since you're in Denmark and just finished the **9th or 10th grade** (depending on your school), you're at the point where you can choose between a few main educational paths. I'll break them down clearly, and then give you advice based on your situation.

## Main Educational Paths After Primary School in Denmark

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

- **STX (Alment Gymnasium):** General academic high school – broad education, good for university.
- **HHX (Handelsskole):** Focus on business and economics.
- **HTX (Teknisk Gymnasium):** Focus on science, technology, and engineering.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseseksamen):** 2-year program, more flexible, good for adults or those who want a shorter route.

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

- Learn a trade or profession (e.g., electrician, mechanic, healthcare worker, chef).
- Combines school with apprenticeships in a company.
- Often faster entry into the job market.
- You can still continue to higher education later (via *eux* or *eud* with supplementary courses).

### 3. EUX (Vocational + Academic Hybrid)

- Combines a vocational education with elements of the gymnasium – gives both a trade qualification and general study competencies for university.
- More demanding but gives you many options later.

## Some Key Questions for You




To help guide your choice, consider:

- **Do you like school and academic subjects?** If yes → STX/HTX/HHX/HF.
- **Do you prefer learning by doing, or want to start working earlier?** If yes → VET or EUX.
- **Do you already have a dream job or area of interest?**

- **Do you think you might want to go to university in the future?**

## **Personalized Advice for You**

Based on your situation:

- You're fluent in Danish 
- You're young and just finished primary school 
- You may have access to strong cultural values around hard work and education from your Tajik heritage 

Here are 3 strong paths depending on your interests:

### **If you're unsure but want to keep your options open:**

- **STX** is the safest and broadest route. You'll get a strong academic base and can choose university studies later (in Denmark or abroad).
- **EUX** if you're also interested in practical work (e.g., IT, business, health, trades) and want to keep university as an option.

### **If you're more hands-on and like the idea of starting a career earlier:**

- **VET + EUD or EUX** – especially if you're interested in things like technology, mechanics, cooking, health care, or IT. This is respected in Denmark and leads to skilled, well-paid jobs.

### **If you're into business or want to be an entrepreneur:**

- **HHX** (business high school) is a great match. Focus on economics, marketing, and international business – especially useful with your bicultural background.

## **Bonus Tip:**

No matter what you choose, **language skills and cultural flexibility** (like speaking Tajik or Russian, and being bicultural) are **huge strengths**. Denmark is very international, and you can stand out by combining your education with your background.

If you tell me a bit more about your interests (like favorite subjects or dream jobs), I can give even more specific advice.