

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



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

Thank you for sharing your situation — you're at an important and exciting stage. Since you're 16, have finished primary school in Denmark (I assume you mean *folkeskole* or 9th/10th grade), and are fluent in Danish, you have several good options depending on your interests, goals, and long-term ambitions. Let's break it down a bit:

## 1 Gymnasial Education (Upper Secondary) — if you want general academic preparation

If you're aiming for university or higher education later on:

- **STX (Almen studentereksamen)**  
Broad academic program with a strong focus on humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, languages, and arts.  
Good if you're not yet sure what you want to study, but want to keep doors open.
- **HHX (Højere handelseksamen)**  
Focus on business, economics, international trade, and languages.  
Strong choice if you're considering business, marketing, or international careers.
- **HTX (Højere teknisk eksamen)**  
Focus on technology, natural sciences, IT, and engineering subjects.  
Good if you like STEM (Science, Tech, Engineering, Math).
- **HF (Højere forberedelseksamen)**  
A bit shorter (2 years), more practically oriented, often for those who may want to go into professions like nursing, teaching, or social work — or for those who want a slightly faster route to higher education.

## 2 Vocational Education (EUD/EUX) — if you want more hands-on training

- **EUD (Erhvervsuddannelse)**  
If you're more practically inclined, you can go into skilled trades, crafts, health care, IT, or technical professions.  
You work as an apprentice and study at the same time.
- **EUX (Erhvervsuddannelse + Gymnasial eksamen)**  
Combines vocational training with academic courses, giving you both a trade qualification and the option to continue into higher education later.

### 3 Special considerations based on your background

Since you also have Indian roots, there could be unique opportunities depending on your family's interests:

- If you're interested in international careers or perhaps eventually working in India or globally, a strong focus on English, business, or IT can be valuable.
- Many Danish-Indian families also encourage careers like medicine, engineering, law, or business, but it's of course most important what **you** enjoy.

### 4 Personal interests and strengths

- If you're strong in math/science → HTX or STX natural science line.
- If you're interested in business or economics → HHX.
- If you're creative/artistic → STX arts line or design-focused programs.
- If you're more hands-on and like practical work → EUD or EUX.

### 5 Long-term thinking

It might help to ask yourself:

- Do I see myself going to university?
- Do I prefer practical work or theoretical study?
- What subjects excite me?
- Do I want to work in Denmark long-term or maybe internationally?

#### 👉 My simple suggestion (if you're unsure right now):

**STX or HHX** are great default choices because they keep many doors open, especially if you think you might want to go to university later.

If you want, you can tell me a bit more about:

- Your favorite subjects
- Your hobbies/interests
- Whether you prefer practical or theoretical learning  
...and I can give you a much more personal recommendation!

Shall we? 😊