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I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from El Salvador. 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 really helpful for giving you a meaningful answer. At 16 and having just completed primary school in Denmark, you're at an exciting turning point with several strong options ahead. Here's a breakdown of your main paths and how you might think about them:

Education Paths After Primary School in Denmark

In Denmark, after **9th or 10th grade**, students typically choose between **general upper secondary education** (like gymnasium) or **vocational education and training** (EUD). Here's how to decide which path might suit you best:

1. General Upper Secondary Education (Gymnasiale uddannelser)

These are 2–3-year academic programs that prepare you for university.

Main types:

- **STX (Almen studentereksamen)** – Focuses on general subjects like humanities, science, and social science.
- **HHX (Højere handelseksamen)** – Focus on business, economics, and international studies.
- **HTX (Højere teknisk eksamen)** – Focus on technology, science, and engineering.
- **HF (Højere forberedelseksamen)** – A 2-year program, often more practical and flexible; good if you're not 100% sure about university yet.

Good choice if:

- You enjoy academic subjects.
- You might want to go to university in the future.
- You're curious about areas like science, languages, social studies, or business.

2. Vocational Education and Training (Erhvervsuddannelser / EUD)

A mix of school and apprenticeship (praktik) in a company.

Example areas:

- Mechanics, carpentry, electrical work.
- Health and social care.
- IT and media.
- Culinary arts.

Good choice if:

- You want to work hands-on and earn a wage during training.
- You prefer a more practical environment.
- You're thinking about getting into work more quickly or running your own business someday.

You can also later apply to short/medium-length higher education after an EUD (like an **EUX**, which combines vocational and academic training).

How to Choose?

Here are a few questions to ask yourself:

Question	If "Yes," then consider...
Do I enjoy school subjects and think I might want to go to university?	STX, HHX, HTX, HF
Am I more interested in learning by doing and starting work earlier?	EUD, EUX
Do I like tech, science, or engineering?	HTX, EUX (tech field)
Am I interested in business, marketing, or international trade?	HHX
Do I want flexibility and possibly a shorter academic route?	HF
Do I like working with people (e.g., in health care or service)?	EUD (health/social)

Tips for You as a Bilingual/Dual-Cultural Student

- Being fluent in Danish **and** having Salvadoran roots could be a strength in **international business**, **social work**, or **language education**.
- Consider learning **Spanish** at a more advanced level (if you don't already write/read it well), as it opens doors globally.
- You may also qualify for support through diversity or integration-focused programs.

Next Steps

1. **Talk to a guidance counselor (UU vejleder)** – They're there to help you explore your strengths and choices.
2. **Visit open house events** at local gymnasiums and vocational schools.
3. **Try a "Brobygning" program** (short trial stays at different education paths).

4. **Think about what motivates you most** – do you love helping people, solving problems, creating things, leading, or learning languages?

Would you like me to recommend a few example careers based on your interests or skills? Just let me know what subjects or types of work interest you!