

Uddannelsesmuligheder i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Kazakhstan. 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! Living in Denmark with your background and being fluent in Danish gives you a great foundation. Since you've just finished **folkeskolen (primary and lower secondary school)**, your next step typically falls into one of two broad categories: **general upper secondary education** or **vocational education and training (VET)**.

Here's a breakdown to help you decide:

🎓 Option 1: General Upper Secondary Education (For academic/university paths)

These are ideal if you're considering **university** in the future.

1. STX (Studentereksamen) – Gymnasium

- Focus: Academic and broad (science, social science, humanities).
- Good for: University studies, if you're unsure what you want yet.
- Duration: 3 years.
- Language: Taught in Danish.

2. HHX (Higher Commercial Examination Programme)

- Focus: Business, economics, marketing.
- Good for: Business or economics studies at university or direct entry into business jobs.
- Duration: 3 years.

3. HTX (Higher Technical Examination Programme)

- Focus: Science, technology, and IT.
- Good for: Engineering, technology, or science degrees.
- Duration: 3 years.

4. IB (International Baccalaureate)

- Focus: International education, taught in English.
- Good for: If you're considering studying abroad or want international options.
- Duration: 2 years + 1 pre-IB year.
- Requires strong academic ability and English fluency.

Option 2: Vocational Education and Training (EUD/Erhvervsuddannelse)

If you want to **enter the job market faster** or prefer hands-on work.

- Examples: Electrician, chef, carpenter, mechanic, healthcare assistant, etc.
- Duration: 2-5 years depending on the program and specialization.
- Mix of school and paid apprenticeship (praktik).
- Some vocational programs also let you qualify for university later via **EUX** (a combined vocational + academic program).

How to Choose?

Ask yourself:

- Do I enjoy academic subjects and want to study at university? → Choose **STX, HHX, HTX, or IB**.
- Do I prefer practical, hands-on work and want a job sooner? → Look into **EUD or EUX**.
- Am I interested in business or economics? → Consider **HHX**.
- Do I like science or engineering? → **HTX** might suit you.
- Not sure? → **STX** gives the broadest base and keeps the most doors open.

Flexibility

The Danish system is flexible. If you start on one path and change your mind, you often can switch tracks. You're not "locked in."

Would you like help narrowing it down based on your interests or strengths (e.g. math, languages, tech, social sciences)? I'd be happy to help with that too.