

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Pakistan. 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! Since you're 16, just finished primary school (which in Denmark typically ends after **9th or 10th grade**), and you're fluent in Danish, you're in a great position to choose between several **educational pathways** in the Danish system. Here's a breakdown to help you decide based on your interests, goals, and strengths:

## 🎓 Main Options After Primary School (Folkeskole) in Denmark

### 1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

This path prepares you for university.

#### a. STX (Almen Studentereksamen)

- **General academic** education with a broad range of subjects.
- Focus on **languages, social sciences, and natural sciences**.
- Good if you're still figuring out what interests you or aiming for university.

#### b. HHX (Higher Commercial Examination Programme)

- Focus on **business, economics, and marketing**.
- Good if you're interested in **business, trade, or international relations**.

#### c. HTX (Higher Technical Examination Programme)

- Focus on **science, technology, and engineering**.
- Great if you're into **tech, science, or engineering**.

#### d. HF (Higher Preparatory Examination Programme)

- Shorter (2 years), more practical/academic mix.
- For students who may want to go to university but didn't choose STX/HHX/HTX.

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

- Combines **school and apprenticeship** (praktik).
- Good if you want to **start working sooner** in a profession like:
  - Electrician, carpenter, mechanic
  - Healthcare assistant
  - IT support
- Can still lead to higher education via **EUX** (a mix of vocational + academic).

### 3. EUX – Hybrid Path

- Combines **vocational training with a studentereksamen**.
- You get both practical skills and a diploma that allows university access.
- Great if you want **the best of both worlds**.

## How to Choose?

### Ask Yourself:

- Do I want to go to **university** later? → Choose STX, HHX, HTX, or HF.
- Do I want to **learn a trade and work soon**? → Choose EUD or EUX.
- Am I interested in **business, science, or helping people**?
- Do I prefer **academic** work or **hands-on/practical** work?
- What do I **enjoy learning** about most?

## Recommendations Based on Common Goals

Interest	Recommended Path
University, unsure of subject	<b>STX</b>
Business & international trade	<b>HHX</b>
Engineering, science, IT	<b>HTX</b>
Helping people (e.g. nurse, educator)	<b>HF</b> or <b>EUD (social/health)</b>
Quick work path, hands-on	<b>EUD</b>
Want both academic + practical skills	<b>EUX</b>

## Cultural Considerations

Since your background includes Pakistani heritage, some parents prefer academic routes like **STX** or **HHX**, aiming for stable professions (doctor, engineer, business, etc.). But what's most important is **what suits YOU best** — Denmark gives you options to **switch later**, so you're not locked in.

If you want, I can help create a **step-by-step plan** based on your interests or even recommend careers that might fit your personality. Just tell me a bit about what subjects you enjoy or what kind of future you imagine for yourself.