

# Uddannelsesmuligheder i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Yemen. 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 great that you've completed primary school—congratulations! Since you're 16, fluent in Danish, and at an important decision point in your education, here are the main options you have in Denmark, along with guidance tailored to your background and interests:

## Main Educational Paths After Primary School in Denmark

At this stage, your next step is typically **secondary education (ungdomsuddannelse)**. You usually have two broad options:

## 1. General Upper Secondary Education (Gymnasiale uddannelser)

Ideal if you're thinking about **university in the future**.

### A. STX (Studentereksamen)

- Focus: Broad academic subjects (languages, science, humanities, social sciences).
- Duration: 3 years.
- Good if: You're not sure what you want yet and want to keep your options open.

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

- Focus: Business, economics, and marketing.
- Duration: 3 years.
- Good if: You're interested in business, trade, or possibly starting your own company someday.

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

- Focus: Science, technology, IT, and math.
- Duration: 3 years.
- Good if: You enjoy science or technology, and maybe dream of becoming an engineer, programmer, or technician.

## 2. Vocational Education and Training (Erhvervsuddannelse / EUD)

Ideal if you want to **get into work quickly**, with a hands-on profession.

- You start with a basic course and then move into apprenticeship/work.
- Duration: Varies (about 3–4 years depending on the path).
- Examples of careers: Electrician, mechanic, carpenter, chef, healthcare assistant, etc.
- Good if: You enjoy practical learning and want to earn money earlier.

## What to Consider Before Choosing

### Ask Yourself:

- Do I enjoy school and academic subjects?
- Do I want to go to university someday?
- Do I prefer working with my hands, or do I enjoy writing, problem-solving, or people-focused work?
- What kind of lifestyle do I want in 5–10 years?

### Also Think About Your Strengths & Dreams

You might have unique strengths from your Danish-Yemeni background: bilingual abilities, cultural understanding, or family values about resilience and hard work. That can help you thrive in fields like:

- **Healthcare** (e.g., nursing, medicine, social work)
- **Technology** (e.g., IT, engineering)
- **Business/Entrepreneurship**
- **Public service** (e.g., law, education, government)

### My Advice (Based on What You Shared)

Since you're 16, fluent in Danish, and just finished primary school:

1. **If you're open to more academic learning and want more choices later:**  
→ **STX** is the most flexible and common path, and a safe bet if you're unsure.
2. **If you're interested in business, trade, or finance:**  
→ **HHX** can give you a great foundation and useful skills.
3. **If you're into tech or science (and enjoy practical or logical thinking):**  
→ **HTX** is excellent.
4. **If you want to get a job faster and prefer practical, hands-on learning:**  
→ **Vocational education (EUD)** could be a strong fit.

Would you like help exploring a specific path, like what subjects are offered in STX or what jobs come from a vocational path? Or are you already leaning toward something like business or healthcare?