

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from The Syrian Arab Republic. 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 — you're at a really important point in your life, and it's great that you're thinking carefully about your next steps. In Denmark, after finishing **folkeskole (primary and lower secondary school)**, you have a few main educational options. Which one is right for you depends on your interests, goals, and how you like to learn.

Here's an overview of your main options and who they might suit best:

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary General Education)

These are great if you're considering university or want to keep your options open.

- **STX (Studentereksamen):** Broad academic focus — humanities, science, and social studies.
- **HHX (Higher Commercial Examination):** Focus on business, economics, and international studies.
- **HTX (Higher Technical Examination):** Focus on technology, science, and innovation.
- **HF (Higher Preparatory Examination):** Shorter (2 years), more flexible — often good for those who didn't thrive in folkeskole but still want access to higher education.

 *Choose this path if:*


You enjoy school subjects, might want to go to university, or want broad career options later.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training – VET / EUD)

Combines school and apprenticeship — you learn a trade and get hands-on experience.

Examples:

- Electrician, carpenter, chef, hairdresser, healthcare worker, mechanic, etc.

 *Choose this path if:*

You like practical work, want to start earning money earlier, or prefer learning by doing.

3. Kombinationer og specialprogrammer

- **EUX:** Combines VET and general upper secondary — you get both a vocational qualification *and* the option to go to university.

- **10. klasse:** Optional extra year of schooling, useful if you're unsure or want to improve your grades.

👉 *Choose this path if:*

You're unsure between vocational and academic paths, or want more time to decide.

Things to Ask Yourself:

- Do I enjoy theoretical school subjects or hands-on work more?
 - Do I want to go to university later?
 - Am I motivated to study for another 2-3 years before starting work?
 - What kinds of jobs or fields interest me (e.g., healthcare, tech, design, business, education)?
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Tips for You as a Bilingual/Diverse Student in Denmark:

Your background is a **strength** — being fluent in Danish and coming from a Syrian family means you bring cultural awareness and potentially other language skills (like Arabic), which are highly valued in many fields (e.g., diplomacy, translation, healthcare, social work, business).

Final Advice:

If you're unsure, consider starting with **10. klasse**, visiting **uddannelsesmesser (education fairs)**, or talking to a **UU-vejleder (youth education counselor)** at your school or kommune.

If you want, I can help you narrow down choices based on your interests (e.g., science, business, design, helping people, etc.) — just tell me a bit more about what you enjoy or dream of doing in the future.