

# Uddannelsesmuligheder i Danmark



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Venezuela. 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 a great question—and a really important point in your life to reflect on. Since you've finished primary school in Denmark (folkeskole, probably 9th or 10th grade), your next step usually involves choosing a **youth education program (ungdomsuddannelse)**. Your choice depends on a few things: your interests, strengths, future goals, and how academic or practical you'd like your education to be.

Here's a breakdown of your main options in Denmark after primary school:

## 1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

These are more academic and are meant for students who want to go to university later.

- STX (Studentereksamen): Broad and general. Good if you like languages, history, science, or social studies.
- HHX (Higher Commercial Exam): Focuses on business, economics, marketing. Great if you're interested in entrepreneurship or international business.
- HTX (Higher Technical Exam): More technical/scientific. Great if you like IT, tech, design, or engineering.
- HF (Higher Prep Exam): Shorter (2 years), more focused. Often used by students who didn't go straight into gymnasium or want a more mature student environment.

**Recommended if:** You like school subjects, want flexibility, and maybe want to attend university later.

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

These are more hands-on and combine school with work placements.

- You can train to become things like a carpenter, electrician, chef, hairdresser, social worker, IT supporter, and many more.
- Takes 2–5 years depending on the path.
- You can still take additional courses to go to university later (via **EUX**, see below).

**Recommended if:** You like practical work, want to earn money during your training, and want to get a job faster.



## 3. EUX (Combination of Academic and Vocational Training)



- Combines vocational training (EUD) with academic subjects.
- You get both a vocational certificate **and** a studentereksamen-level diploma.
- It's challenging but gives you lots of options.

**Recommended if:** You want both practical skills **and** the chance to go to university.

#### Other Things to Consider:

Since you have Venezuelan roots and speak Danish fluently, maybe even Spanish too, that could open doors for:

- International studies (e.g., HHX with international focus)
- Working or studying abroad later
- Language-based careers (e.g., translator, diplomat, international business, tourism)

## Tips for Choosing:

- **Think about what energizes you.** Is it working with people? Solving problems? Creating things? Helping others?
- Try an "brobygning" or "praktik" (intro course or internship). You can test out a program before committing.
- **Talk to your school counselor or a UU-vejleder.** They're trained to help people exactly in your situation.

#### **Final Thought:**

You're in a strong position—fluent in Danish, culturally diverse, and young with time to explore. If you're not sure yet, that's okay. Just choose a path that **keeps as many doors open** as possible while matching your personality and interests.

Would you like help choosing between STX, HHX, HTX, HF, EUD, or EUX based on what kind of subjects or work you like?