

Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Sao Tome and Principe. 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 a bit about yourself! Since you've just finished primary school in Denmark and you're 16 years old, you're at a key moment where the next step depends a lot on your interests, strengths, and future goals. Here's a clear breakdown of your main educational options in Denmark after primary school (folkeskole), and some tailored advice:

🎓 Main Educational Paths in Denmark After Primary School

1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education – Academic)

These prepare you for university and other higher education.

- **STX (Studentereksamen):** General academic education – good if you're interested in subjects like science, languages, or social studies.
- **HHX (Højere Handelseksamen):** Focuses on business and economics – great if you're interested in entrepreneurship, marketing, or finance.
- **HTX (Højere Teknisk Eksamen):** Focuses on science and technology – ideal if you like math, IT, or engineering.
- **HF (Højere Forberedelseksamen):** Shorter, more flexible – often used as a second chance or alternative route to university.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

Learn a trade and get real-world experience. You can become a carpenter, electrician, hairdresser, healthcare assistant, etc. Some programs also allow you to study further later.

- Good if you enjoy hands-on work and want to enter the job market faster.

3. Kombinerede forløb (EUX)

Combines vocational training with a high school diploma – so you can both work and continue to university later.

- A strong option if you want the best of both worlds: a profession and the chance to study later.

🕒 How to Choose?

Here are a few questions to ask yourself:

- **Do you enjoy academic subjects like math, science, history, or languages?**
→ Consider **STX**, **HTX**, or **HHX** depending on what topics excite you.

- **Are you more hands-on and like practical work?**
→ **EUD** or **EUX** could suit you well.
 - **Do you want to go to university later on?**
→ Go for **STX**, **HTX**, **HHX**, or **EUX**.
 - **Not sure what to do yet?**
→ **HF** or talking to an educational guidance counselor (studievejleder) could help.
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Cultural Background & Opportunities

Since you have roots in São Tomé and Príncipe and are fluent in Danish, you have a multicultural background that can be a big strength. If you're interested in international work, diplomacy, development work, or languages, think about STX or HHX with a language focus. These can lead to careers where your background is a real advantage.

Examples Based on Interests

- **Love tech or gaming?** → HTX or EUX with IT focus.
 - **Good with people and interested in healthcare?** → EUD in social and health or STX with biology.
 - **Business-minded?** → HHX or EUX with a business profile.
 - **Creative/artistic?** → STX with creative electives or a design-related EUD program.
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Would you like help deciding based on your personal interests and goals? If you tell me more about what you like (subjects, hobbies, what you're good at), I can help recommend a more specific path.