

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from The Republic of Moldova. 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 and just finished primary school in Denmark, you're at an important turning point. Denmark offers several strong educational paths depending on your interests, goals, and whether you're more academically or practically oriented. Here's a breakdown of your main options and what might suit you:

## 1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

These are more academic and prepare you for university.

### A. STX (Almen Studentereksamen)

- Focus: General academic subjects like Danish, English, science, social studies.
- Best for: Students who want a broad education and possibly go to university.
- Duration: 3 years.

### B. HHX (Højere Handelseksamen)

- Focus: Business, economics, and marketing.
- Best for: Future entrepreneurs, economists, or those interested in business or international trade.
- Duration: 3 years.

### C. HTX (Højere Teknisk Eksamen)

- Focus: Science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM).
- Best for: If you like technology, IT, or engineering.
- Duration: 3 years.

### D. HF (Højere Forberedelseseksamen)

- Focus: A shorter, more practical academic track.
- Best for: Students who want to get to further education quicker or didn't get perfect grades in primary school.
- Duration: 2 years.

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

- Focus: Hands-on training combined with work experience (apprenticeship).
- Fields: Mechanics, construction, hairdressing, cooking, social care, etc.
- Best for: If you prefer learning by doing and want to start working earlier.
- Duration: 2-5 years (depends on the program).

## 3. EUX (Combination of Vocational + Academic)

- Combines EUD (vocational) with a gymnasium-level education.
- Best for: If you want the option to work *and* study further later.
- Duration: About 4-5 years.
- Challenging, but offers flexibility.

## What Might Fit You?

Based on what you shared:

- You're fluent in Danish and fully integrated culturally.
- You have Moldovan roots, which might give you interest in international affairs, languages, or multicultural issues.
- You're at a flexible age, with time to explore.

### Ask Yourself:

- Do I enjoy studying theory (math, languages, science)?
- Or do I prefer practical, hands-on work?
- Do I want to go to university eventually?
- Am I interested in business, technology, social care, or something creative?

## Suggestion Based on Common Paths:

Interest	Suggested Path
University or broad knowledge	STX
Business, finance, marketing	HHX
Science, tech, engineering	HTX
Social work, nursing, pedagogy	HF or vocational (e.g. SOSU)
Early job with hands-on training	EUD
Both job skills and academic route	EUX

## Final Advice:

- **Visit an “uddannelsesmesse” (education fair)** or local **UU-vejleder** (youth education guidance counselor).
- **Do internships (brobygning)** to try different paths.
- **Talk to people** in different fields (family, teachers, older students).
- Think not just about “what job” — but also about **how you like to work**.

If you tell me a bit more about:

- What subjects or activities you enjoy,
- Whether you want to go to university later,
- Or if you prefer working soon,

I can give a more personal recommendation.