

Uddannelsesvalg efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Kuwait. 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 in an exciting stage of life with lots of opportunities ahead. Since you're 16 and just finished primary school in Denmark, here's a breakdown of your options and some guidance to help you choose the path that fits you best:

Main Educational Paths in Denmark After Primary School

After finishing **Folkeskolen** (primary and lower secondary), you typically choose between two main types of upper secondary education:

1. General Upper Secondary Education (Gymnasiale Uddannelser)

These are more academically oriented and prepare you for university.

- **STX** (*Almen Studentereksamen*) – Broad general education, includes humanities, science, and social studies.
- **HHX** (*Højere Handelseksamen*) – Focus on business, economics, and international trade.
- **HTX** (*Højere Teknisk Eksamen*) – Focus on science, technology, engineering, and math.
- **HF** (*Højere Forberedelseksamen*) – A 2-year version of STX, good if you want a shorter academic path.

Recommended if:

- You want to go to university in the future.
- You enjoy academic subjects like science, literature, economics, or languages.

2. Vocational Education and Training (EUD – Erhvervsuddannelser)

This combines school and apprenticeships. You train for a specific job, like carpenter, electrician, chef, hairdresser, etc.

Recommended if:

- You want to get a job after just a few years.

- You prefer hands-on work over classroom learning.
- You're interested in trades, healthcare, business services, etc.

How to Choose?

Ask yourself:

1. **Do I enjoy academic work or more practical/hands-on tasks?**
2. **Do I want to go to university someday?**
3. **What kind of jobs or careers interest me?**

Some Personal Suggestions Based on What You've Shared:

You're fluent in Danish and likely bilingual, which is a big advantage. Being from a Kuwaiti background might also give you unique insights into culture, language, or international topics. Here are a few ideas depending on your interests:

Interest	Suggested Path	Example Careers
Business or International Trade	HHX	Marketing, Export Manager, Entrepreneur
Science, IT, or Engineering	HTX	Engineer, IT Specialist, Biotech
Languages, History, or Social Science	STX	Teacher, Journalist, Politician
Quick path to a profession	EUD	Electrician, Chef, Healthcare Assistant
Unsure but want to keep doors open	STX or HF	Flexible – you can decide later

Final Tip: Try a “Brobygning” or “Erhvervspraktik”

These are short internship or trial periods where you can test out a gymnasium or vocational program. It's a great way to learn what feels right before fully committing.

If you tell me more about your interests, hobbies, or what subjects you liked most in school, I can give more specific suggestions!