SPECIALIST HIGH SKILLS MAJOR

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE

"Graduate with a Resume"























What is the Specialist High Skills Major?

The Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) is a specialized, Ministry-approved program that allows students to focus their learning on a specific economic sector while meeting the requirements of the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD).

St. Mary's College offers four SHSM programs that include:

- Business Sector
- Construction Sector
- Health & Wellness Sector
- Hospitality & Tourism Sector

How is the SHSM recognized?

Students who successfully complete the requirements of a SHSM program receive:

- An OSSD with an embossed red seal
- A SHSM Record Card documenting achievements, certifications and training
- Formal recognition on the Ontario Student Transcript



Benefits of an SHSM:

EASE your transition to college, university, apprenticeship or workplace

HEAR & SEE what a career in that sector feels and looks like

NETWORK with local professionals, trades people, experts in the field

GAIN confidence in your skills and abilities

EARN industry recognized certifications

BUILD a distinguished resume or portfolio

OPEN doors for summer or future employment

GRADUATE with a red seal on your diploma



Components of the SHSM:



Bundled Credits — Each SHSM program contains 8-10 regular high school credits related to the sector includina:

- 4 "major" credits which relate to the program's sector or industry
- English and Math credits
- Additional credits in Business, Science, or Social Science and Humanities depending on the sector
- 2 Cooperative Education credits



Experiential Learning and Career Exploration — Planned activities that take place outside of the regular classroom which relate to the SHSM sector such as field trips, guest speakers, conferences, and job shadowing.



"Reach Ahead" Experiences — Opportunities that allow for students to relate to post-secondary pathways in apprenticeship, college, university, and the workplace.



Sector Partner Experiences — Math, coding or ICE (Innovation, Creativity, and Entrepreneurship) training with sector based community partners.



Certification and Awareness Training — Earn sector recognized certifications and awareness training **FREE of charge!**











Branding your future

The business sector, the central pillar of Canada's economy, is bursting with opportunities in entrepreneurship, finance, retail, real estate, human resources, marketing, management and budget-related careers. Because of globalization and new technology, the business sector also offers opportunities in the international market. As long as there is commerce, qualified and knowledgeable workers in business will find prospects either in one of Canada's prospering companies or as an entrepreneur in one of their own.

The SHSM program in Business provides students an opportunity to specialize, gain training, earn certifications, and plan for a career in the business sector before graduating and entering apprenticeship training, college, university, or an entry-level position in the workplace.













Sector Recognized Certifications:

- WHMIS
- Standard First Aid
- CPR Level C + AED
- Service Excellence
- Personality Dimensions
- Health & Safety Basic
- Summer Company





Bundled Credits for All Destinations:

- 4 "major" credits in the Business listing (Gr. 11 and/or Gr. 12)
- 2 English Credits (Gr. 11 and Gr. 12)
- 2 Math Credits (Gr. 11 and Gr. 12)
- 2 Cooperative Education Credits (Gr. 11 or Gr. 12)

POST-SECONDARY PATHWAYS:

APPRENTICESHIP	UNIVERSITY	COLLEGE	WORKPLACE
Hardware, Lumber and Building Materials Retailer Parts Technician Special Events Co-ordinator	Economist Executive Assistant Financial Analyst Financial Auditor Accountant Mathematician, Statistician and Actuary Social Policy Researcher, Consultant and Program Officer Specialist in Human Resources	Administrative Clerk Administrative Officer Banking Clerk Bookkeeper Conference Planner Court Officer Desktop Publishing Operator Insurance Adjuster Legal Secretary Loan Officer Recruitment Officer Personnel Retail Buyer Secretary	Customer Service Representative General Office Clerk Poyroll Clerk Postal or Mail Clerk Real Estate Agent







Building your future

100,000 new workers are needed in construction and maintenance sectors by 2029. The Specialist High Skills Major in Construction allows students to progress through the construction process from the design and drawing stage to the actual construction of a variety of structures.

The SHSM program in Construction provides students an opportunity to specialize, gain training, earn certifications, and plan for a career in the construction and skilled trades sector before graduating and entering apprenticeship training, college, university, or an entry-level position in the workplace.













CONSTRUCTION

Sector Recognized Certifications:

- WHMIS
- Standard First Aid
- CPR Level C + AFD
- Working at Heights
- Health & Safety Basic
- Scaffold Safety
- Powder Actuated Tools
- Land Surveying Basics

Bundled Credits for All Destinations:

- 4 "major" credits in Construction listing (Gr. 11 and/or Gr. 12)
- 2 English Credits (Gr. 11 and Gr. 12)
- 2 Math Credits (Gr. 11 and Gr. 12)
- 1 Business or Science Credit (Gr. 11 or Gr. 12)
- 2 Cooperative Education Credits (Gr 11 or Gr 12)





UNIVERSITY	COLLEGE	WORKPLACE
Architect Electrical Engineer Mechanical Engineer Structural Engineer	Architectural Design Technician/Technologist Civil Engineering Technologist Construction Estimator Construction Manager Construction Technologist Home Inspector Interior Designer Home Builder or Renovator	Carpenter Helper Concrete Finisher Construction Trades Helper and Labourer Demolition Worker Drywall Installer
	Architect Electrical Engineer Mechanical Engineer	Architect Electrical Engineer Mechanical Engineer Structural Engineer Structural Engineer Construction Estimator Construction Technologist Construction Technologist Construction Technologist Home Inspector Interior Designer







Strengthening your future

The demand for professionals in the health and wellness sector in Ontario and across Canada is on the rise as the age of our population increases leading to retirements in this field. This sector has a wide variety of career opportunities and is one of the largest employers in Canada. Over 2 million Canadians are currently employed in a health-related job according to Statistics Canada.

The SHSM program in Health and Wellness provides students an opportunity to specialize, gain training, earn certifications, and plan for a career in the health and wellness sector before graduating and entering apprenticeship training, college, university, or an entry-level position in the workplace.















HEALTH & WELLNESS

Sector Recognized Certifications:

- WHMIS
- Standard First Aid
- CPR Level C + AFD
- Infection Control
- Taping & Wrapping for Injury
- Medical Terminology
- safeTalk

Bundled Credits for All Destinations:

- 4 "major" credits in Health and Wellness listing (Gr. 11 and/or Gr. 12)
- 2 English Credits (Gr. 11 and Gr. 12)
- 1 Math Credit (Gr. 11 or Gr. 12)
- 1 Science or Social Science/Humanities Credit (Gr. 11 or Gr. 12)
- 2 Cooperative Education Credits (Gr. 11 or Gr. 12)





APPRENTICESHIP	UNIVERSITY	COLLEGE	WORKPLACE
Child & Youth Worker Early Childhood Educator Educational Assistant	Audiologist Chiropractor Dentist Dietician Family Counsellor Kinesiologist Medical Sonographer Midwife Nutritionist Optometrist Registered Nurse Sports Therapist	Dental Hygienist/Assistant Massage Therapist Medical Clerk/Secretary Paramedic Practical Nurse Respiratory Therapist Social Service Worker	Hospital Admitting Clerk Hospital Cleaner Hospital Porter Lifeguard Medical Receptionist Personal Trainer







Serving your future

The tourism industry in Canada is a dynamic and growing employment sector that includes opportunities in hospitality, accommodation, food and beverage services, recreation, and travel services. Employment prospects and career advancement in the hospitality and tourism sector have never been better locally and world-wide.

The SHSM program in Hospitality and Tourism provides students an opportunity to specialize, gain training, earn certifications, and plan for a career in the hospitality and tourism sector before graduating and entering apprenticeship training, college, university, or an entry-level position in the workplace.













MOSPITALITY & TOURISM

Sector Recognized Certifications:

- WHMIS
- Standard First Aid
- CPR Level C + AED
- Safe Food Handling
- Service Excellence
- Smart Serve

Bundled Credits for All Destinations:

- 4 "major" credits in Hospitality and Tourism listing (Gr. 11 and/or Gr. 12)
- 2 English Credits (Gr. 11 and Gr. 12)
- 1 Math Credit (Gr. 11 or Gr. 12)
- 1 Business or Science Credit (Gr. 11 or Gr. 12)
- 2 Cooperative Education Credits (Gr. 11 or Gr. 12)





APPRENTICESHIP	UNIVERSITY	COLLEGE	WORKPLACE
Baker Butcher Chef Cook Special Events Coordinator	Hotel & Food Administration Food & Nutrition Services Hospitality & Tourism Management Dietician Nutritionist	Baking & Pastry Arts Chef/Cook Culinary Management Hotel, Resort & Restaurant Management Professional Golf Management Recreation & Leisure Services Tourism Marketing & Operations Ecotourism	Housekeeper Food & Beverage Server Food Stylist Hotel Clerk Hotel Valet Purse



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