



My SHSM prepared me for university & showed me all the jobs in the health field

So...What is SHSM?

A Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) provides Grade 11 and 12 students with an opportunity to focus their learning on an employment sector and gain valuable experience college, university, apprenticeship training, and workplace opportunities.

The SHSM Program has a number of required components, designed to give students a “leg-up” to pursue post-secondary opportunities in variety of employment sectors. Students will also gain valuable experience and industry recognized certifications, which increase confidence in their ability to succeed and see the connections between their studies, the world beyond high school and future careers.

Did You Know...



90% of students are successful in all of their courses when they are participating in SHSM!

So... Why would I enrol in SHSM?

Pursuing an SHSM designation enables students to:

1. Test-drive career options
2. Focus their learning by taking courses designed to suit their interests and talents while meeting the requirements for the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD)
3. Develop essential skills and work habits required in the workplace
4. Experience hands-on learning
5. Gain valuable work experience that will help build a resume for postsecondary programs and future employment
6. Earn industry recognized certifications related to the chosen employment sector
7. Take advantage of “reach ahead” opportunities which could include visits to sector-related industries, businesses, training facilities, skills competitions, colleges, universities and dual credit programs.

Don't just graduate with a diploma.. Graduate with a resume!



SHSM Programs Offered in the SCDSB

Secondary School	SHSM Program	
Banting Memorial High School	Agriculture Health & Wellness	Horticulture & Landscaping Transportation
Barrie North Collegiate Institute	Arts & Culture - Broadcasting Business	Construction Transportation
Bear Creek Secondary School	Arts & Culture Environment Health & Wellness	Sports Transportation
Bradford District High School	Construction	Transportation
Collingwood Collegiate Institute	Health & Wellness	Hospitality & Tourism
Eastview Secondary School	Arts & Culture	Business
Elmvalle District High School	Environment	
Innisdale Secondary School	Construction	
Georgian Bay District Secondary School	Environment Health & Wellness	Info. & Comm. Technology Sports
Nantyr Shores Secondary School	Environment	Hospitality & Tourism
Nottawasaga Pines Secondary School	Health & Wellness	
Orillia Secondary School	Construction	Health & Wellness
Stayner Collegiate Institute	Construction*	Environment
Simcoe Alternative Secondary School	Non-Profit (Barrie/Midland/Orillia Campus)	
Twin Lakes Secondary School	Health & Wellness* Hospitality & Tourism	Transportation*

*NEW for September 2017

Please visit <http://www.myshsm.ca> for more information on Specialist High Skills Majors within the Simcoe County District School Board or contact Justin van Diepen, IRT – Cooperative Education and SHSM, at (705) 734-6363 ext. 11465