

What is a Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)?

An SHSM allows students to customize their high school experience to fit career interests. Offered in grade 11 and 12, an SHSM allows students to receive a specialized high school diploma that is recognized in various economic sectors in all four pathways.

What does an SHSM look like?

An SHSM is a bundle of 8 to10 grade 11 and grade 12 credits that include two Experiential Learning (Co-op) credits.

What do you get by taking an SHSM?

- Sector-recognized certifications and training
- Real workplace experience
- Learning experiences connected with postsecondary opportunities
- Skills and work habits required for employment success



Student Success A Grand Erie Program

Grand Erie... More Programs, More Choices Specialist High Skills Major

The Arts and Culture Program Stage/Screen Focus Brantford Collegiate Institute and Vocational School

The Stage and Screen Program offers students a wide variety of courses, workshops, post-secondary connections and audition opportunities in performance arts to prepare them for careers in theatre/film/singer/songwriter, theatre or technical production for theatre/film and media arts. Students can select from courses including dance, vocal music, graphic design, film and video, photography, technical theatre, theatre production, fashion design, digital media arts and dramatic courses in acting and musical theatre.

""This year I really opened up to the fact that I can still become a dancer even though I did not start when I was younger. I took dance class privately, choreographed for the grade 10 class and worked hard in senior dance class to better my skills." Bailey Dalton

Benefits of the Arts and Culture Program:

- Performance Workshops on Character Development, Classical/ Contemporary Monologues, Voice Work, Vocal Characterization with Industry Professionals from Stratford, Mirvish and Theatre Aquarius
- Performance Audition Panels to prepare students for post-secondary auditions for colleges, universities and companies
- Production Workshops in Lighting/Sound Design, Photography and Graphic Arts, Ladder Certification, Directing/Filmmaking
- Extensive Opportunities to visit Ontario post-secondary institutions that are focused in the arts
- Partnerships with various community organizations



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