

## 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 to 10 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 post-secondary opportunities
- Skills and work habits required for employment success



**Student Success**  
 A Grand Erie Program

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# More Programs, More Choices

Specialist High Skills Major

## The Arts and Culture Program Media Arts Focus

Pauline Johnson Collegiate & Vocational School

The Arts and Culture Program allows students to enjoy a brand new media suite, equipped with industry-standard technology, editing booths and a fully loaded recording studio, while focusing on various mediums in the arts including film and video, graphics, journalism, animation, event planning, web design, etc. For more information, visit [granderie.ca/pj](http://granderie.ca/pj) or [fetedefolk.com](http://fetedefolk.com), or contact [jeanpaul.gauthier@granderie.ca](mailto:jeanpaul.gauthier@granderie.ca) and [sarah.tonkin@granderie.ca](mailto:sarah.tonkin@granderie.ca).

*"I really like how we can make the program our own. We get a lot of creative freedom."*  
 Talia Rosseel

### Benefits of the Arts and Culture Program:

- Receive six industry recognized certifications (First Aid/CPR, WHMIS, Adobe Certifications in Photoshop and Illustrator, Photography, Live Sound Engineering)
- Earn two co-operative education credits
- Gain experiential learning through media arts field trips and job shadowing
- Participate in Reach Ahead opportunities like visits to CBC, ImagineNATIVE film festival, Hamilton Music Awards, and the planning of community events like Arts Break and Fete de Folk



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