

## 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



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Specialist High Skills Major

## The Health and Wellness Program Healthcare Focus

### North Park Collegiate-Vocational School

The North Park Health and Wellness SHSM is designed for students who have expressed an interest in a health profession. The student will gain exposure to potential careers, certifications and training to give them a “leg up” in achieving their future career goals.

*“Being someone who loves to learn outside the standard classroom environment, the SHSM provided me with just that, through job shadowing, co-op, and university seminars. I can confidently say the valuable real-life experiences I have gained through SHSM have given me a better understanding of the health care system.”*  
Neha Malhotra (Grade 12 student)

### Benefits of the Health and Wellness Program:

- Certifications include: CPR, First Aid and AED Training, Infection Control, Lab Practices, Medical Terminology, Sterile Techniques and WHMIS
- Reach Ahead Opportunities by participating in “Discovery Days in Health Science” at one of our local Universities: McMaster University, Waterloo or Western
- Job Shadow opportunities in your Grade 11 or 12 year
- Co-op for a semester in your field, some great hospital placements included



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