

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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More Programs, More Choices

Specialist High Skills Major

The Communication Technology Program Cinema Focus

Simcoe Composite School

The Communication Technology SHSM provides students with a strong foundation for a wide variety of careers in the cinematography industry. Students focus on storyboarding, composition, editing, script writing, filming and directing as well as the process of making a video from start to finish.

"I like that the Communication Technology program allows me to do what I think of with my mind in a relaxed and creative environment."

Nick Belisle (Grade 12 student)

Benefits of the Communication Technology Program:

- Learn use of professional equipment and software
- Learn essential skills for careers in the cinematography industry
- Reach Ahead opportunities available including trips to tour different facilities, recording studios, broadcasting departments and trade shows
- Gain specific training and certifications in the industry



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