

What is a Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)?

A SHSM is a program offered in Grade 11 and 12 to students in all four pathways. The program enables students to focus their high school education on their career interests. Students who complete their SHSM will graduate with a specialized high school Diploma that is sector recognized

What does an SHSM look like?

A SHSM is a bundle of up to 10 credits in Grade 11 and 12 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 future employment success



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Specialist High Skills Major



Hagersville Secondary School

The Transportation High Skills Major at HSS has an Automotive Service focus. Students explore career options at local shops and in industrial settings.

"The Specialist High Skills Major program allowed me to be accepted at a great co-op placement. Working at a dealership allowed me to learn new mechanical skills." - Brittany Gyokery

Benefits of the Transportation Program:

- Students explore career options through Co-operative Education working as Automotive Service Technicians, Auto Body Technicians and Heavy Equipment Technicians in industrial settings and with small business owners
- Reach Ahead activities are available at no cost including college visits and guest
- Speakers and exploration of the Automotive Service career sector
- Students receive WHMIS, Vehicle Safety, Forklift Safety and Customer Service Certifications as well as CPR/First Aid

