# What is a Specialist High Skills Major?

An SHSM allows students to customize their secondary school experience to fit career interests.

Offered in Grade 11 and 12, an SHSM allows students to receive a specialized secondary school diploma that is recognized in various economic sectors in all four pathways.

# What does a 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 Construction Technology Program – Home Building Focus

## MCKINNON PARK SECONDARY SCHOOL

The Construction SHSM enables students to build a foundation of sector-focused knowledge and skills before graduating and entering apprenticeship training, college, university, or an entry-level position in the workplace. The program focuses on the design and construction of residential structures.

> "I feel that the program has prepared me for my future studies as an electrician. The courses that were offered within the SHSM have allowed me to gain knowledge of career areas that I may not have taken if not in the program. I feel that the certifications and safety training have given me a good base for my future career aspirations."
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## Benefits of the Construction Technology Program:

- Design and develop a residential construction project
- Attain sector specific certifications such as First Aid, CPR and Fall Protection
- Experience the design or construction environment through work placements via co-ops
- Relate their studies in core subject areas to chosen interest area
- Graduate with a SHSM seal of designation on your secondary school diploma
- Gain valuable industry-specific work experience and knowledge