

# What is a Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)?

An 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** 

# The Communication Technology Program Production Focus

**North Park Collegiate-Vocational School** 

The North Park Communication Technology SHSM is designed for students who have expressed an interest in graphic design, video/film production, television, radio broadcasting, animation, and web or video game design.

"This SHSM is a great program as it has given me many experiences such as the Hamilton Music Awards, the George Stroumboulopoulos Show on CBC and training from Apple, WHMIS, CPR and many others. It will prepare me well for studying Communications Technology in the future." - Carah Hager (Grade 12 student)

#### **Benefits of the Communication Technology Program:**

- Certifications include: CPR, First Aid, WHMIS and specific software training
- Reach Ahead Opportunities like industry visits, college and university visits, and other relevant field trips
- Job Shadow opportunities in your Grade 11 or 12 year
- Exposure to potential careers in the communication technology and media production

