

Welcome to the Construction Specialist High Skills Major, where students tailor their high school education to align with their interests and talents while fulfilling graduation requirements.

Construction

Careers in Construction

SHSM study prepares students to enter into careers in all pathways (work, apprenticeship, college, and university). The Construction Industry includes a wide range of high demand and flexible career options.

- Carpenters
- Bricklayers
- Construction millwrights and industrial mechanics
- Electricians
- Heating, refrigeration, and air conditioning mechanics
- Painters and decorators
- Plumbers
- Roofers
- Civil engineers

Ask your Guidance Counsellor for more information.



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SHSM Requirements:

SHSM study provides senior (Grade 11 and 12) students with the opportunity to focus their high school education based on individual interests and aptitude. Major sector-specific credits, cooperative education in the sector, English, Mathematics, and, in most cases, additional credits in specified subjects complete the graduation requirement of 30 credits.

Certifications and Training are an important part of the SHSM. Sector-specific certifications and training are provided free of charge to ensure students are prepared.

Hands-on (experiential) learning activities, reach-ahead opportunities (post-secondary goals) and the completion of one of ICE (Innovation, Creativity, and Entrepreneurship), Mathematical Literacy or Coding complete the SHSM requirements. Students who complete the program will have an SHSM seal of distinction on their graduation diploma.

Achieve

**10 of your 30
OSSD credits**

**Training and 7 sector-
recognized certifications**

The bundle includes:

- 4 “major” credits in grade 11 and 12, such as Carpentry, Design, HVAC or Electrical focus.
- Supporting credits: 1 Grade 11 English credit (and a Grade 12 English credit for students in the workplace pathway)
- 1 Grade 11 and 1 Grade 12 math credit (Grade 11 only for students in the workplace pathway)
- 1 Grade 11 or Grade 12 credit in science or business studies
- 2 Cooperative Education credits to experience life in the Construction sector



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