

Arts and Culture

In recent years, Hamilton's Arts and Culture industry has grown considerably. Careers in the local art galleries, recording studios, independent film production and theatre are increasing. Students who are interested in pursuing careers in media, visual arts, theatre, dance and other creative areas would thrive in the Arts and Culture SHSM program and will have the opportunity to consider careers in **interior design, graphic illustrator, textile colorist, goldsmith, animator, actor, dancer, painter, announcer and many more.**

The Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) program in Arts and Culture provides students with focused education in sector relevant courses, experiential learning opportunities, reach-ahead experiences and valuable training and certifications. Through their participation in the SHSM Arts and Culture program, students gain the knowledge and skills required to pursue many different creative post-secondary opportunities that will lead to a fulfilling career in the Arts and Culture sector.

Course Package

Each SHSM program offers students a bundle of 8-10 regular Ontario Secondary school courses that been selected as the most relevant courses to take to prepare students for a career in that sector. *As students work towards their OSSD, they are **focusing their education and learning relevant skills** through **sector-recognized certification and training programs and experiences for a multitude of post-secondary programs** in the **Arts and Culture** sector.*

The bundle includes:

- **4 major credits** in Arts and Culture in grade 11 and 12.
- **Supporting Credits**, which include Contextualized Learning Activities (CLAs).
 - ❖ 1 Grade 12 English credit
 - ❖ 1 grade 11 or 12 Business studies or Canadian and World Studies credit
 - ❖ 2 Cooperative Education credits to experience a career in the Arts and Culture sector

Approved Major Credits (Minimum of 4):

- ✓ Dramatic Arts (ADA 3O/3M, ADA 4E/4M)
- ✓ Music, Keyboard (AMK 3O/3M, AMK 4M)
- ✓ Music, Instrumental (AMU 3O/3M, AMU 4M)
- ✓ Music, Vocal (AMV 3O/3M, AMV 4M)
- ✓ Dance (ATC 3O/3M, ATC 4M)
- ✓ Visual Arts (AVI 3O/3M, AVI 4M)
- ✓ Visual Arts – Sculpture (AWP 3O)
- ✓ Visual Arts – Photography (AWQ 3O/3M, 4M)
- ✓ Technological Design (TDJ 3O/3M, TDJ 4O/4M)
- ✓ Exploring Computer Technology (TEJ 3M/4M)
- ✓ Communications Technology (TGJ 3M/TGJ 4O/4M)
- ✓ Communications Technology-TV/VIDEO (TGV 3M/4M)
- ✓ Manufacturing Technology (TMJ 3E/3M TMJ 4E/4M)
- ✓ Hairstyling and Aesthetics (TXJ 3E/4E)
- ✓ Introduction to Computer Science (ICS 3C/3U, ICS 4C/4U)
- ✓ Families in Canada (HHS 4U)
- ✓ Philosophy (HZT 4U)
- ✓ French (FSF 4U)
- ✓ World Religion (HRE 3O, HRT 3M)

Approved Supporting Credits:

- ✓ English (ENG 4E/4C/4U)
- ✓ Entrepreneurship the Venture (BDI 3C)
- ✓ Marketing: Goods, Services, Events (BMI 3C)
- ✓ Financial Accounting Principles (BAT 4M)
- ✓ International Business (BBB 4M)
- ✓ Entrepreneurship Studies-Venture Panning in an Electronic Age (BDV 4C)
- ✓ Business Leadership Management Fundamentals (BOH 4M)
- ✓ Sports and Entertainment Marketing (IDC 4UB)
- ✓ Money Management-Introduction to Financial Planning (IDC 4UF)
- ✓ American History (CHA 3U)
- ✓ World History to the End of the 15th Century (CHW 3M)
- ✓ Understanding Canadian Law (CLU 3M)
- ✓ Canadian History and Politics since 1945 (CPC 3O)

Approved Supporting Credits Continued:

- ✓ World Issues: A Geographical Analysis (CGW 4U)
- ✓ Analysing Current Economic Issues (CIA 4U)
- ✓ Canadian and International Law (CLN 4U)
- ✓ Canadian and International Politics (CPW 4U)
- ✓ Mathematics for Work and Everyday Life (MEL 3E/4E)
- ✓ Literacy Course (OLC 4O)
- ✓ Learning Strategies (GLS 4O/GLE 4O)
- ✓ Cooperative Education

Arts and Culture Requirement Checklist by Pathway

Credits	Apprenticeship Pathway Grades 11-12	College Pathway Grades 11-12	University Pathway Grades 11-12	Workplace Pathway Grades 11-12
Major Credit One credit may be substituted with a cooperative education credit (additional to the 2 required co-op credits)	4 Including at least one Gr.11 and one Gr.12 credit	4 Including at least one Gr.11 and one Gr.12 credit	4 Including at least one Gr.11 and one Gr.12 credit	4 Including at least one Gr.11 and one Gr.12 credit
English including a CLA	1	1	1	1
Business Studies or Canadian and World Studies including a CLA	1	1	1	1
Cooperative Education	2	2	2	2
Total Number of Credits	8	8	8	8

*Additional Co-op credits can substitute for a Major and/or Other credit.

Sector-recognized Certifications/Training Courses/Programs

Three Compulsory			
CPR	Standard First Aid	Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHIMS) – general	
Three Electives from the list below			
Advanced training in a technique (i.e. figure drawing, conducting, sewing)	Advanced Training in a Technology (i.e. 3D printing, laser cutting)	Advanced training in an Art Form (i.e. mime, tapdance, improvisation)	Advanced Training in Art Therapy
Audition Preparation	Basic Electrical Safety	Beauty Specialist Certification Program – three-part course	Curatorial Techniques
Customer Service	Elevated Work Platforms	Event Coordination	Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneurship (ICE)
Fall Protection	Framing and Matting	Game Design	Health and Safety - basic
Instructor Certification	Lighting and Sound Equipment Maintenance	Interactive Art Forms	Ladder Safety Training
Leadership Skills	Makeup/Cosmetology	Musical Instrument Repair	Portfolio Development
Sector-specific Software 1 (i.e. animation, graphic arts)	Sector-specific Software 2 (i.e. photography)	Project Management	Technical Staging
Working at Heights	Proposal/Grant Writing	Pyrotechnics	Recording Equipment
Stage Combat	Wrapping and Taping for Performances and Injury		

*Many Certifications and Training are completed within regular school course curriculum.