

WHAT IS COOPERATIVE EDUCATION?

- Earn secondary school credits, while completing a work placement
- Can apply 2 Co-op credits towards your high school diploma, with no limit on earning optional co-op credits

CO-OP WORKS

WHO IS IT FOR?

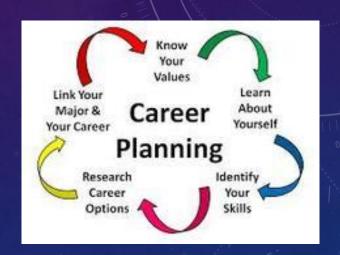


 Co-op programs are for secondary students who are heading for apprenticeship, college, university or the workplace!

WHY TAKE CO-OP? WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

Co-op students have the opportunity to

- Experience hands on learning
- "Test –drive" career options
- See the relevance of classroom learning
- Earn credits through workplace experience
- Develop essential skills and habits required in the workplace
- Gain valuable work experience that will build a resume for post secondary programs and future employment



WHAT DOES ST. FRANCIS XAVIER OFFER?

We offer 2 credit AM, 2 credit PM, 3 credit and 4 credit Co-op.

- 2 Credits 3.5 4 hours at placement
- 3 Credits- 5.5 6 hours at placement
- 4 Credits 7.5 -8 hours at placement

PLACEMENTS

Placements are tailored to individual preferences and unique to each student

Some past examples include

- THP: Mississauga Hospital, Credit Valley Hospital, Queensway Health Centre several departments, such as Emergency, Oncology, Health Management, Pharmacy, OM Fracture Clinic, Complex Continuing Care, etc.
- Rogers TV
- Donato's Salon
- Peel Police (4 credit only)
- Accounting firms
- Law Firms
- Automotive (Canadian Tire , Honda, BMW)
- Dental clinics
- Veterinary clinics
- Trades (Hairstyling, Electrical, Carpentry, Cabinetry, HVAC, Plumbing, etc.)
- Childcare, Elementary Schools
- Animation studios

HOW TO APPLY?

- Fill out Co-op application, hand in to Co-op office or guidance counsellor
- Fill out co-op as your option on My Blueprint.
- When completing course selection on my blueprint, select 2, 3, or 4 credit. If selecting 2 credit, also select am or pm.



- Allows students to focus their learning on a specific sector, while meeting all the requirements to graduate from secondary school
- It assists in their transition from graduation to apprenticeship, college, university, or the workplace
- St. Francis Xavier has three SHSM's: Health and Wellness, Hospitality and Tourism, and Sports



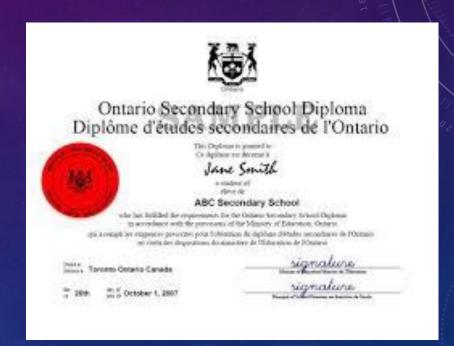
WHY TAKE SHSM?



- SHSM helps students customize their secondary school to suit their interests and talents
- Develop specialized knowledge and skills
- Gain sector recognized certification and career relevant training
- Identify ,explore and refine career goals and make informed decisions about the future
- Remain flexible, with the option to shift between pathways, should their plans and goals change.

HOW IS SHSM RECOGNIZED

- An Ontario secondary school diploma with an embossed red seal
- A SHSM record documenting his/her achievement
- Formal recognition on his /her
 Ontario student transcript.
- Recognized by colleges, universities, and various apprenticeship programs





- OYAP is the Ontario youth apprenticeship program
- A School to work program that allows students to explore and work in apprenticeship occupations in Grade 11 and 12 cooperative education programs
- Students have an opportunity to become registered apprentices and work towards becoming certified journeypersons in a skilled trade while completing their secondary school diplomas.
- Co-op hours can be applied towards certification in one of the skilled trades.

GOALS OF OYAP



- To provide students with the opportunity to start training in a skilled trade while completing the requirements for an Ontario Secondary School Diploma
- To enable students to make the school to work transition by direct entry into apprenticeship training
- To provide employers with the opportunity to train the skilled workers they require
- To provide a viable solution to address the problem of skilled tradespeople shortages in general, and specifically the lack of young people joining the trades.

