Sheridan

Advanced Special Effects Makeup, Prosthetics and Props

Ontario College Graduate Certificate | 1 year | Field Placement
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Your career in advanced special effects makeup awaits.

Become an advanced special effects artist

Sheridan's Advanced Special Effects Makeup, Prosthetics and Props certificate program has helped countless artists launch their journeys into the world of advanced special effects. Through training in prosthetics application, props and puppet building, 3D printing, and animatronics you'll learn how to use your passion for artistry to bring your visions and creatures to life.

Get the tools you need to succeed in the media industry

Immerse yourself in classes where you'll learn how to use specialized products and equipment to sculpt, mold, cast and finish your creations. You'll also gain a strong understanding of the inner workings of the media industry and the styles, trends, and new developments that are shaping its future.

Learn from instructors with industry experience

All faculty in this program come to our classroom with recent and relevant industry experience. Because classes are small, you'll receive lots of personal support from your instructors. From props masters to prosthetic artists, from puppet builders to animatronics technicians, our faculty have what it takes to help you succeed in any SPFX stream you see yourself in.

Career opportunities

When you complete your one-year graduate certificate program, you'll be ready to take a position in museums, theme parks, special events marketing companies, and film and television.

Here are some jobs you might find:

- SPFX Artist/Assistant
- Prosthetic Artist
- Special Effects Makeup Artist
- Prop Builder
- Puppet Maker
- Scenic Painter
- SPFX Coordinator
- Museum or Trade Exhibit Technician

Courses

Some of the courses you can expect to take in your program

- Advanced Prosthetics
- Animatronics for the Special Effects Artist
- Conceptual Processes
- Makeup Application and Facial Prosthetics
- Molding and Casting for the Special Effects Artist
- Sculpting & Anatomy

How to apply:

5 easy steps

1. Find your program
2. Check the admission requirements
3. Apply online
4. Submit your documentation
5. Accept your offer

Ready to get started?

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- English language proficiency requirements
- Fees and financial aid
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Admission requirements

Program eligibility

- Postsecondary diploma or degree; and/or
- Demonstrated competence through related work and/or educational experience.

Portfolio

Applicants without a postsecondary diploma or degree are required to submit a portfolio. The Office of the Registrar will update your application in the Sheridan Applicant Portal to notify you if a portfolio is required.

The portfolio will require:

- A Letter of Employment that demonstrates a minimum of two years of related industry experience.
- A Letter of Intent describing your goals and why admission to this program is important to you.
- A Portfolio of 5–7 images that demonstrate your creativity.

Applicant selection

Eligible applicants are selected based on previous academic achievement and/or demonstrated competence through related work and/or educational experience, plus the results of their portfolio, if required.

Applicants who do not meet the admission requirements for this program may be advised individually regarding other related programs.

English language proficiency

All applicants whose first language is not English must meet Sheridan's English Proficiency Requirements.

Refer to the website for full admission requirements.