

St Paul Focus Courses

Below you will find a listing of the focus courses unique to St Paul in each of the following areas:

Arts

Interdisciplinary Studies

Technological Education

Health and Physical Education

Arts Focus Courses

		<i>Grade 9</i>	<i>Grade 10</i>	<i>Grade 11</i>	<i>Grade 12</i>
Music	Guitar or Keyboarding	AMG10	AMG20	AMG30	AMG4M
		AMK10	AMK20	AMG3M AMK30 AMK3M	AMK4M
Visual Arts	Photography			AWQ30 AWQ3M	AWQ4M

Music Guitar or Keyboarding Grade 9 Open AMG10 or AMK10

This course emphasizes the performance of music at a level that strikes a balance between challenge and skill and is aimed at developing technique, sensitivity, and imagination. Students will participate in creative activities that teach them to listen with understanding. They will also learn correct musical terminology and its appropriate use. Students will meet the expectations of this course through the medium of guitar or keyboarding

Prerequisite: None

Music Guitar or Keyboarding Grade 10 Open AMG20 or AMK20

This course emphasizes performance of music at an intermediate level that strikes a balance between challenge and skill. Student learning will include participating in creative activities and listening perceptively. Students will also be required to develop a thorough understanding of the language of music, including the elements, terminology, and history.

Prerequisite: None

Music Guitar or Keyboarding Grade 11, Open AMG30 or AMK30

This course develops students' artistic knowledge and skills through the performance of music and the preparation of music productions. Students will perform appropriate works, particularly works in contemporary popular styles. Independently and in groups, they will also plan market, and produce music productions, making use of appropriate technology, and will evaluate the results. Students will meet the expectations of this course through the medium of guitar or keyboarding

Prerequisite: Music, Grade 9 or 10, Open

**Music, Guitar or Keyboarding Grade 11, University/College Preparation
AMG3M or AMK4M**

This course emphasizes the appreciation, analysis, and performance of various kinds of music, including baroque and classical music, popular music, and Canadian and non-Western

music. Students will perform technical exercises and appropriate repertoire, complete detailed creative activities, and analyse and evaluate live and recorded performances. They will continue to increase their understanding of the elements of music while developing their technical and imaginative abilities. Students will meet the expectations of this course through the medium of guitar or keyboarding

Prerequisite: Music, Grade 9 or 10, Open

**Music, Guitar or Keyboarding Grade 12, University/College Preparation
AMG4M or AMK4M**

This course emphasizes the appreciation, analysis, and performance of music from the romantic period and the twentieth century, including art music, jazz, popular music, and Canadian and non-Western music. Students will concentrate on developing interpretive skills and the ability to work independently. They will also complete complex creative projects. Students will meet the expectations of this course through the medium of guitar or keyboarding

Prerequisite: Music, Grade 11, University/College Preparation or Open

Visual Arts Photography Grade 11 Open AWQ30

Students will experience the subject of photography through a series of related activities, the use of still cameras and the darkroom environment. Creative expression and practical techniques are combined to produce the development of this specific area of Visual Art.

Prerequisite: None

Visual Arts Photography Grade 11 University/College Preparation AWQ 3M

Students will develop the various elements of photography and related techniques through a wide range of selective processes. By experiencing a combination of subject matter, camera use, film speed, darkroom special effects and print manipulation, students will demonstrate their own creative perspective of this form of visual medium.

Prerequisite: None

Visual Arts Photography Grade 12 University/College Preparation AWQ4M

This course will focus on photography as a means of artistic expression. The students will refine and build upon the photographic techniques learned in AWQ30 and AWQ3M. Students will analyze works by modern and contemporary artists and photographers from Canada and abroad. Professional practices such as writing artist's statements, exhibiting and selling work will be blended into the practical oriented aspects of this course. The students will create a series of photographs illustrating their personal views on a topic of their choice.

Prerequisite: AWQ30 or AWQ3M or AVI30 or AVI3M

Interdisciplinary Studies Courses

	<i>Grade 9</i>	<i>Grade 10</i>	<i>Grade 11</i>	<i>Grade 12</i>
Yearbook			IDC30B	
Yearbook				IDC4UB
Web Design			IDC3OW	
Educational Leadership				IDC4UE

Yearbook, Grade 11 Open IDC30B

The primary focus of this course is the planning and design of the **St Paul Yearbook**.

Emphasis will be placed on writing skills and development of journalistic and photojournalistic style. Students will be taught media layout, ethics in reporting and time management skills in meeting print production deadlines. The course will also involve production of video presentations of school events for public viewing such as award presentations, retirements and sports events. Work in this course will primarily be done on a computer. Students will be taught how to use professional editing and layout programs such as Photoshop and PageMaker. Skills acquired in Communications Technology and English courses will be put into practice.

Prerequisite: *Application and interview completed with course teacher*

Yearbook, Grade 12 University

IDC4UB

This course will help students consolidate the skills acquired in IDC30Y as well as teach planning management and editing skills. The primary focus of the course is the design and production of the St Paul Yearbook. Students will write editorials suitable for print distribution as well as be responsible for the training, supervision, editing and proofreading of works submitted by the students in IDC30Y course. They will earn the importance of meeting production deadlines. They will oversee the production of video presentations for events such as Retirements, Graduations, Academic and Sport events.

Prerequisite: **IDC30B Application** *and interview completed with course teacher.*

Web Design, Grade 11 Open

IDC3OW

This course combines studies from Communication Technology and the Computer engineering areas. It helps students develop, understand, and apply current web development strategies and Internet technology skills that will enable them to enter further education and training in this field of study. This course will offer students the opportunity to build and maintain web pages, develop 3D graphics, and will introduce the concepts and rationale of open-source opportunities as well as the social, economic and environmental impact of the Internet and communications technology.

Prerequisite: *None.*

Educational Leadership, Grade 12 University

IDC4UE

This course will help students develop and consolidate the knowledge of skills required for Advanced Learning Strategies combined with Leadership and Peer Support. In studying these disciplines, students will solve problems, make decisions, create personal meaning, and present findings. Students will apply the principles and processes of inquiry and research to effectively use a range of print, electronic and mass media resources; to analyze educational innovations and exemplary research; and to investigate real-life situations and career opportunities. They will also assess their own cognitive and affective strategies, apply general skills in both familiar and new contexts. Students will independently and in collaborative sessions create innovative products, and communicate new knowledge and present evidence of personal accountability. **All of these expectations will be met through theoretical instruction and research and through practical interaction with peers and teachers.**

Prerequisite: *Any university or university/college preparation course*

NOTE: *Students may obtain a credit for only ONE of IDC30B or IDC30W in Grade 11 and one of IDC4UB or IDC4UE in Grade 12.*

Technological Education Focus Courses

	<i>Grade 9</i>	<i>Grade 10</i>	<i>Grade 11</i>	<i>Grade 12</i>
Communication Technology			TGG30	TGG40
Graphic Design			TGG3M	TGG4M
Communication Technology			TGV30	TGV40
Movie and Television			TGV3M	TGV4M

Communications Technology Graphic Design Gr. 11 University/College or Open TGG3M TGG30

This course enables students to develop knowledge and skills in the areas of graphic communication printing and publishing audio and video production and broadcast journalism. Students will also develop an awareness of related environmental and societal issues and explore secondary and post-secondary education and training pathways and career opportunities in the various communication technology fields.

The Communications Focus is designed to provide students with the opportunity to experience the full production aspect of a media design construction. Students will work individually to produce a variety of projects using such software packages as Photoshop, Illustrator and InDesign as well as produce silkscreen prints and employ tools such as colour scanners, printers and digital cameras.

Prerequisite: None

Communication Technology Graphic Design Gr. 12 University/College or Open TGG4M TGG40

This course enables students to further develop media knowledge and skills while designing and producing projects in the areas of live, recorded and graphic communications. Students will also expand their awareness of environmental and societal issues related to communication technology.

This senior focus course will allow students to explore areas of visual design, illustration, desktop publishing, digital imaging and computer graphics. This project based course will focus on portfolio building and provide the framework for future college or university courses in media arts, graphic design and marketing.

Prerequisite: None

Communications Technology: Movie & TV Production Gr.11 Univ/College or Open TGV3M TGV30

This course examines communications technology from a media perspective. Students will develop knowledge and skills as they design and produce media projects in the areas of live, recorded and graphic communications.

This Communications course focus allows students the opportunity to explore the fields of movie and television production with an emphasis on lighting, shooting and editing for television and film.

Prerequisite: None

Communications Technology Movie & TV Production Grade 12 Univ/College/ Open TGV4M TGV40

This course examines communications technology from a media perspective. Students will develop knowledge and skills as they design and produce media projects in the areas of live, recorded and graphic communications

This senior Communication Technology program is designed to provide students with the opportunity to participate in the full experience of a film and video production. Students will work individually and/or in groups to produce and market short video projects. Students will receive instructions in a variety of areas such as; Pre-production Practices, Location Shooting, Studio Shooting, Lighting, Digital Video editing, DVD Authoring, sound mixing and titling.

Prerequisite: None

Health and Physical Education Focus Courses

	<i>Grade 9</i>	<i>Grade 10</i>	<i>Grade 11</i>	<i>Grade 12</i>
Personal and Fitness Activities Body Alive			PAF30B	
Personal and Fitness Activities Strength Training			PAF30S	

Healthy Active Living Education,

Grade 11 Open

Body Alive

PAF30B

The focus of this course is to help young women develop healthy active lifestyles through a variety of fun aerobic activities and personal strength training. The course will be based on the “Vitality” approach to health, which emphasizes good nutrition, being active and a positive self-image. Students will learn the benefits of strength training and visit a variety of community fitness facilities to experience squash, tennis, pilates, core training, yoga, spinning, belly dance etc. Body Alive focuses on developing a healthy mind, body and spirit. Health topics covered will include: Mental health, Relationships, Sexuality, Nutrition, Body Image. **A Course Fee is required** to cover the cost of a T-shirt, trips to various community facilities.

Prerequisite: PPL10/F or PPL12F

Healthy Active Living Education, Grade 11 Open

Strength Training

PAF30S

The focus of this course is to develop a healthy active lifestyle through strength training and cardiovascular fitness activities. The students will learn how to develop a safe, personal strength training program based on the latest scientific theories of strength training. The course will be based on the “Vitality” approach to health, which emphasizes, good nutrition, being active and a positive self-image. Students will have the opportunities to visit a variety of community facilities. **Course Fee is required.**

Prerequisite: PPL10M/F or PPL12M/F