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Applications open for in-person STEAM & Entrepreneurship program at Shad

WATERLOO, November 1, 2021 — Applications <u>are now open</u> for Shad—Canada's premier STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, mathematics) & Entrepreneurship program for grade 10 and 11 students. Online for two years due to COVID-19, Shad will **be back in person and on campus with 19 university partners across Canada for 2022.**

During the program, students spend their July living on a university campus, engaged in hands-on lectures, labs, mentorship opportunities and other activities to help them spark new interests and explore their future. Students also get a chance to try their hand at social innovation. Shad's signature real-world design challenge introduces students to design thinking and entrepreneurship so they can solve a real-world problem with an innovative business idea.

The program will run from July 3 to July 29, 2022. There is a fee to participate in the program **but there is no fee to apply**. Financial assistance is available for students who demonstrate financial need to cover full or partial program fees.

This year's university partners include: Carleton University, Dalhousie University, Lakehead University, Laurentian University, McMaster University, McGill University, Memorial University, Mount Allison University, Ontario Tech University, Ryerson University, University of British Columbia, University of Manitoba, University of Calgary, University of New Brunswick, University of Prince Edward Island, University of Waterloo, Western University, Wilfrid Laurier University, and York University.

Interested Canadian grade 10 and 11 students (Secondaire IV or V in Quebec) are encouraged to <u>submit an application</u> to the program. Limited spots are available, and applications are open until December 6, 2021 at 11:59 pm ET.

Educators and community groups <u>can book virtual field trips</u> for their students to learn more about Shad and participate in engaging design thinking workshops.

About Shad Canada:

Shad Canada is a not-for-profit organization based in Waterloo, Ontario. For 40 years and counting, Shad Canada has delivered STEAM and entrepreneurship programs for high school students. During the monthlong program, students live on campus and participate in a real-world design challenge that prepares them to take on social and economic challenges. More than 20,000 students from across Canada have participated in Shad, many going on to start businesses, lead discoveries and make changes in economic and social sectors. Learn more at shad.ca.



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