

Competition. Gold medal winners then go on to form Team Canada and compete at the international level against 49 other member nations at the WorldSkills Competition, held every two years.

Locations

Skills Canada won the bid to host the 40th WorldSkills Competition, held at the SAIT¹ campus in Calgary, Alberta, in September 2009. WorldSkills 2011 will be held in London, England, and the successful bid for the 42nd WorldSkills Competition in 2013 will be decided at the Calgary 2009 WorldSkills Competition.

SKILLS CATEGORIES

Information and Communication Technology covers all the skilled areas that

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d to information services including IT/Software Applications, Web Design, IT ork Support, Telecommunication Distribution Technology and Offset Printing.

ransportation and Logistics covers all the skilled areas that are related to the

transportation world including creating, repairing and maintaining transportation vehicles. The competition areas included in this area are: Autobody Repair, Automotive Technology and Car Painting.

Construction and Building Technology encompasses everything from the world of Construction including: Wall & Floor Tiling, Plumbing & Heating, Electrical Installations, Industrial Control, Bricklaying, Stonemasonry, Painting & Decorating, Capinetmaking, Joinery, Carpentry, Landscape Gardening, Refrigeration, Metal Roofing and Plastering.

¹ Southern Alberta Institute of Technology

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Manufacturing (and Engineering) Technology competition areas included in this area are: Polymechanics/Automation, Manufacturing Team Challenge, Mechatronics, Mechanical Engineer Design (CAD), Welding, Electronics, Mobile Robotics, Sheet Metal.

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Fashion covers all the skilled areas that are related to fine arts creation, competition include: Jewellery, Floristry, Fashion

Technology and Graphic Design Technology.

Social and Personal Services category covers all the skilled areas that are related to the service industry; from hospitality to the food and beverage industry and personal care. The competition areas included in this area are: Ladies & Mens hairdressing, Beauty Therapy, Confectioner/Pastry Cook, Cooking, Restaurant Service, and Caring. (WorldSkills)

WORLDSKILLS FACTS

- 1,000 competitors from 50 member countries will compete in 30 languages
- 5,000 international experts, delegates, and judges will attend the competition
- 150,000 student and public spectators will attend the competition
- Over 45 skill categories and eight demonstration skill categories
- Event takes place September 1–7, 2009, at Stampede Park in Calgary, Alberta (Alberta Education)

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