

How to Be A Successful Gunsmithing Student

- Leave your expectations at the door. This program is often quite different than students anticipate.
- Be the student. Be open to learning.
- Because class/lab lasts for 6 hours, missing a day means that you are missing a LOT.
- Be at class EVERYDAY! ALL day! This means:
 - Be engaged
 - Do the work
 - Come prepared and ready to work.
 - Talk with your instructors ahead of time when possible if you need to miss. Call, email, or text out of courtesy and respect to let them know you will not be in class.
- Disrupting the class, not arriving on time, not staying the fully scheduled time, or not working during the scheduled time can and will result in absences. Too many absences results in being dropped from the class with the potential to complete the class with an "F" AND a phone call from the instructor and/or counselor.
- If you need help, ASK! If you are having problems, SEEK assistance.
- If you do not follow the above, do NOT complain at the end of the semester if you did not do the work, did not ask for help, or have general complaints.
- Your instructors work hard EVERY day. They expect the SAME from you.
- Grades are EARNED! They are not given. This is for As and Fs. Everyone will not earn an A.
 - Gunsmithing is not for everyone.
 - Having an interest in firearms or having been in the military isn't enough.
 - Work hard, put in effort.
 - Take advantage of the time in class with your instructor.
 - Use your time wisely. Prioritize.
 - Take good notes. It will be your reference guide when you leave the program.
- You are expected to maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0.
 - You will receive an alert if your GPA is less than a 2.0 for the semester. This is separate from financial aid requirements. In other words, make good grades and there will not be any issues.
- Save/spend your money wisely. The tools and materials for this program are expensive. This is no secret. Unfortunately, we haven't found a way to cover this much material without it being expensive.
- Please understand that each student is at varying levels of ability and experience in the class.
- It is recommended that you participate in a machining course prior to enrolling in Gunsmithing. This is not required but was highly recommended.
- We will all work with you to be successful. We ask that you do the same.
- Understand there will be personal conflicts in the classroom. Gunsmithing attracts strong personality types, and these personalities sometimes clash. You will need to figure out how to get along with your classmates and instructors in a respectful

manner. If you need help dealing with situations, talk to the counselor and/or to your instructors.

- This program is designed to prepare you for the workforce. You will be expected to be on time and ready to work and meet the deadlines set forth by your instructors. You will be with your classmates all day (or night) every day.
- If you have special needs or need accommodations, you will need to speak with the counselor.
- See the counselor for any academic, personal, or career counseling needs.
- Please follow the appropriate chain of command: Instructor, Department Chair, Counselor