PST 2020 Police Firearms
NASHVILLE STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Police Science

Instructor:
Office/Office Hours:
Phone:
Email:
Classroom & Times:
Course Credit: 3

Textbook:
n/a

Disclaimer: Textbooks frequently change editions, so please be sure to check with the school bookstore to verify the current ISBN of the textbook before purchasing the textbook.

Equipment Needed:
1. Handgun, leather gear (holster, mag pouch, etc.)
2. Ammos suitable for your weapon (factory only!) Amount as specified by Mr. Myers.
3. Clothing suitable for the weather and safe range use.

Course Description:
An introduction to police combat firearms training, firearms tactics, deadly force policies and shoot/don’t shoot decisions. Emphasizes practical, safe operation and firing of handguns. Students learn how to safely operate and fire a handgun and make use-of-force decisions in firearms. Students must furnish weapons and ammunition.

Course Outcomes: the student will learn
2. Define weapon safety at home.
3. Identify the nomenclature of the Glock pistol.
4. Identify the maintenance of a handgun.
5. Describe the seven fundamentals of shooting.

Course Competencies:
- Basic nomenclature and function of both the revolver and the semi-auto pistol.
- Safe gunhandling rules for both street and range.
- Ammo selection.
- Fundamentals of gunhandling, marksmanship and mindset.
- Characteristics of projectile wounding.
- Proper carry techniques.
- On and off-duty weapon selection.
- Dry-fire exercises which develop shooting skills.
- Use of cover and basic situational tactics.
- Practical “live-fire” exercises (optional).
There will be a written examination at the end of the course. Questions will be in the multiple choice, true/false and fill-in-blanks format. Range performance will **NOT** be factored into the student’s final grade.

**ATTITUDE AND BEHAVIOR WILL BE AN OVERRIDING CONSIDERATION**

**Grading Policy:**

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**Attendance Policy:**

will follow the rules set forth in the LEN (Police Science Academy) handbook. There is a strong correlation between regular classroom attendance and good grades. Students should understand that in order to receive a reasonable grade, they must regularly attend class. Students missing two consecutive unexcused weeks of class will be dropped from the roll, as well students who miss 25% of scheduled class periods. Students who fail to attend class will result in a final course grade of “FA” (failure, attendance related) or “FN” (failure, never attended class) depending on the instructor’s attendance policy. Attendance may be taken at the beginning of class, during class, or at the end of class. Students must be present at the time roll is called in order to be counted present. Students who are absent, and who wish to be excused for those absences, must provide written documentation supporting their non-attendance. Written notifications **prior to scheduled absences** are an important factor in determining whether an absence will be excused or not. **There is no makeup work for absences, either excused or unexcused.**

**Students must strictly follow all instructions.** Students will not bring any live ammo into the classroom. Weapons will remain holstered at **ALL** times unless under the direct supervision of an instructor. Blatant disregard of any rules will result in dismissal from this course and an “F” recorded on your transcript.

> “TO LEARN HERE IS LIFE - FAILURE TO LEARN IS THE BEGINNING OF THE END.”

**Academic Dishonesty Policy:**

Any form of academic dishonesty, cheating, plagiarizing, or other academic misconduct is prohibited. “Plagiarism may result from: (1) failing to cite quotations and borrowed ideas, (2) failing to enclose borrowed language in quotation marks, and (3) failing to put summaries and paraphrases in your own words” (A Writer’s Reference 331).

Academic dishonesty may be defined as, but is not limited to, intentionally trying to deceive by:

- claiming credit for the work of another person, using information from a web page or source without citing the reference
- fraudulently using someone else’s work on an exam, paper, or assignment
- recycling your own work from another course
- purchasing papers or materials from another source and presenting them as your own
- attempting to obtain exams/materials/assignments in advance of the date of administration by the instructor
- impersonating someone else in a testing situation
- providing confidential test information to someone else
submitting the same assignment in two different classes without requesting both instructor’s permission
• allowing someone else to copy or use your work
• using someone else’s work to complete your own
• altering documents, transcripts or grades
• forging a faculty/staff member’s signature

IN ADDITION TO OTHER POSSIBLE DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS THAT MAY BE IMPOSED THROUGH REGULAR COLLEGE PROCEDURES AS A RESULT OF ACADEMIC DISHONESTY, THE INSTRUCTOR HAS THE AUTHORITY TO ASSIGN AN “F” OR A “ZERO” FOR THE EXERCISE, PAPER, OR EXAMINATION, OR TO ASSIGN AN “F” FOR THE COURSE.

Classroom Conduct Policy:

NASHVILLE STATE HAS A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY FOR DISRUPTIVE CONDUCT IN THE CLASSROOM.

• The instructor has primary responsibility for control over classroom behavior and maintenance of academic integrity.
• He/she can order temporary removal or exclusion from the classroom of any student engaged in disruptive conduct, or conduct which violates the general rules and regulations of the College.
• Disruptive behavior in the classroom that obstructs or disrupts the learning environment is defined as:
  o Offensive language
  o Harassment of students or professors
  o Repeated outbursts from a student which disrupt the flow of instruction or prevent concentration on the subject taught
  o Failure to cooperate in maintaining classroom decorum
  o Continued use of any electronic or other noise or light emitting device which disturbs others;
    ▪ beepers
    ▪ cell phones
    ▪ palm pilots
    ▪ lap-top computers
    ▪ games
  
• Students who are removed from class for disruptive behavior will not be allowed to return until the issue is resolved.

Additionally, no eating in the classroom is allowed; no wearing of sunglasses is allowed in class, except in cases prescribed by a physician; sleeping or lounging in class is considered disruptive behavior and grounds for immediate dismissal.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) STATEMENT:

Nashville State Technical Community College complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you wish to request any accommodation(s) for this class, please notify the instructor as soon as possible. Students should not be given special accommodations in the classroom unless an accommodation form from Student Disability Services is completed and distributed to the faculty member.

• Student Disabilities Coordinator: Katie Watts (615) 353-3721 Office: S-114

NOTE:
This syllabus is a master syllabus. Specific course requirements are subject to revision at the discretion of the individual instructor. A course syllabus will be provided the first day of class.