

The Gunsmithing curriculum is designed to provide the student with the required skills needed to refurbish metal and wood as applicable to firearms, to diagnose malfunctions for repair, and to accomplish more complex custom gunsmithing tasks. Course work includes manufacturing of tools used in the gunsmithing trade, restoration of firearms, stock making, barrel work, repair work, and custom work. The student will accomplish this work by performing actual gunsmithing tasks in the hands-on environment. Graduates should qualify as professional gunsmiths, able to complete any task in general gunsmithing.

Admissions Criteria

Applicants are responsible for completion of the following admission requirements before admission into the Gunsmithing program:

1. Complete NC residency determination at www.ncresidency.org.
2. Apply online at www.montgomery.edu.
3. Be a high school graduate or have a high school equivalency (GED®) that meets North Carolina standards.
4. Submit a high school/GED/Adult High School transcript and any necessary college transcripts. (MCC reserves the right to test for proficiency any applicant asking for transfer credit on theory or clinical course.)
5. Complete placement testing if required. (See Placement Testing Options below.)

Applicants for the limited positions in the Gunsmithing program are admitted in the order that admission requirements are met. Once positions are filled, applicants who complete the minimum admission requirements are placed on a waiting list.

Due to the popularity of the Gunsmithing program, a waiting list is in place. Once placed on the Gunsmithing waiting list, applicants are required to return Confirmations by designated due dates to remain on the list. This is a continuing list and applicants are accepted into the program based on position on the waiting list.

While waiting to begin the Gunsmithing program at MCC, students sometime choose to take some of the non-Gunsmithing courses (such as English, Math, computer, etc.). Although not required, coursework in machine shop may also be beneficial.

Acceptance Status

Applicants will receive written notification by the Enrollment Office concerning provisional acceptance. Acceptance is provisional pending the following requirements:

6. Return Acceptance Confirmations by designated deadlines.
7. Attend mandatory information session conducted by college representatives in July of the year of acceptance.
8. Be eligible to possess a firearm in North Carolina and maintain that eligibility throughout enrollment in the program. When notified by the Enrollment Office, provide proof of eligibility to possess a firearm. **Students will be notified when the documentation is due.** Acceptable documentation:
 - A. Any current, valid State-issued permit to purchase a firearm (must be issued within 60 days of enrollment);
 - B. A current, State-issued conceal carry permit from North Carolina;
 - C. A current, valid State-issued conceal carry permit from a reciprocal conceal carry agreement with North Carolina;
 - D. Proof of exemption from permit requirements pursuant to G.S.14-415-25; or
 - E. A background check from an approved agency to determine eligibility to possess a firearm in North Carolina.

If documentation is not provided to the Enrollment Office by the designated due date, provisional acceptance will be forfeited.

Related Information about Gunsmithing

Placement Testing Options

Applicants pursuing the diploma or degree in Gunsmithing must meet placement testing requirements. These requirements may be met through the following ways:

- Appropriate NC DAP/SAT/ACT tests scores (Writing, Reading and Numerical or completion of required remediation based on those scores –or–
- Completion of high school Multiple Measures –or–
- Appropriate transfer credits or advanced placement credit

Contact the Enrollment Office for more information.

Completion Options

Certificate, diploma and degree options are available. See the Program Guide sheet for course requirements.

Costs

The total cost include tuition, fees and books for the Gunsmithing program is a minimum of \$11,420 for NC residents and \$25,628 for out-of-state residents. Tool costs vary and are a separate expense. For more detailed cost information, the Tuition and Fees Sheet and Gunsmithing Tools List is available online. ***Please be aware that financial aid does not cover the entire cost of this program. MCC does not participate in the Stafford Loan program.***

Financial Aid

All Gunsmithing applicants are encouraged to apply for financial aid assistance. For more information, contact the Financial Aid Office at MCC or visit www.fafsa.edu.gov. Information on veteran benefits is also available. ***Please be aware that financial aid does not cover the entire cost of this program. MCC does not participate in the Stafford Loan program.***

Gunsmithing Club

All students accepted into the Gunsmithing program are encouraged to become members of the Gunsmithing club. Members will have the opportunity for participation in social and civic activities throughout the academic year.

Hours

The Gunsmithing AAS program (two-year) at MCC is a six semester program which includes two summer sessions. Day, evening and weekend options are available. Hours vary with each program option.

Housing Information

Students in need of housing while attending MCC, house hunting tips can be found at <http://www.montgomery.edu/housing>.

Insurance

Students are required to pay \$1.60 per term for accident insurance. These fees are due at registration. Students are highly encouraged to carry personal health and additional accident insurance.

For more information

www.montgomery.edu/gunsmithing-Home.html

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