#### George Mason University College of Education and Human Development School of Recreation, Health, and Tourism RECR 136-001 Pistol Marksmanship 1 Credit Spring 2017 W 3- 5:00 PM Location: NRA Shooting Range (NRA HQ)

### Faculty

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# Prerequisites None

Participants must be 18 years of age before the class begins.

**Fees** *This course requires a (lab/course) fee of (\$180.00).* 

### **Course Description**

Introduces students to marksmanship skills in target shooting. Increases students' knowledge of firearm safety, international target shooting, equipment care and maintenance, and shooting sports competition methods and techniques.

#### **Course Overview**

Students will be exposed to all aspects of precision Handgun shooting. Each course participant will, upon successful completion of the course, demonstrate knowledge and marksmanship competencies in:

- 1. Pistol identification, firearm safety, fundamental care of a handgun;
- 2. Precision handgun shooting fundamental techniques and competitive techniques;
- 3. Physical, mental and environmental factors in the competitive pistol shooting sports.

During the first 2 weeks of instruction, the instructor will conduct an individualized diagnostic session for each student to determine their level of comfort, knowledge and ability with a pistol.

Utilizing the written material and instructor demonstrations as a base of knowledge, the student will learn the discipline required to experience true competitive target pistol shooting. The instructor will coach the student through presentations, demonstrations and "live" fire exercises (on an approved pistol range) that will teach the student the appropriate techniques involved in competitive Bullseye shooting. Each student will have the opportunity to participate in live practice sessions and eventually participate in an end of semester "match "in the Bullseye discipline of competitive pistol shooting.

# Course Deliver Methods Lecture/Lab

## **Learner Objectives**

At the conclusion of the course each student should be able to demonstrate:

- 1. common sense firearms safety
- 2. the ability to handle any handgun safely in various environments
- 3. appropriate techniques for range safety
- 4. the ability to identify and describe handgun parts and mechanical functions.
- 5. fundamentals of target shooting:
  - a. mental attitude
  - b. proper stance
  - c. sight alignment
  - d. trigger control
- 6. fundamentals of Bullseye (Bulls-eye) handgun marksmanship the fundamentals in all 3 disciplines (Slow, Timed & Rapid Fire)
- 7. the ability to self-diagnose and correct problems/barriers to becoming a proficient basic pistol shooter.

## **Required Text and Supplies**

U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit Pistol Marksmanship Training Guide (Free as a PDF Download on the internet)

Target Pistol Practice Log – (provided - included in lab fee)

#### Evaluation

1.	Attendance/ Participation	60% = 60 Points
2.	Demonstrated knowledge of safety techniques and range rules	20% = 20 Points
3.	Demonstrated knowledge of International competitions	5% = 5 Points
4.	Demonstrated knowledge of Bullseye competitions	5% = 5 Points
5.	Final Exam	<u>10% = 10 Points</u>
	Final exam will consist of range/gun safety, hand gun parts,	
	and mechanical functions.	
		TTL = 100 Points

Attendance/Participation: 60 points possible depending on the calendar. 5 points will be given each day with a deduction of 1 point for each five minutes that a student is late. Students must attend the entire class period and participate in the daily activities to receive full credit for the class. If you attend each class

session, are on time and participate as scheduled, you'll receive the full 5 points for that day. Unexcused absences, late arrivals, and lackadaisical performance could significantly affect the grade.

#### **GRADING SCALE**

A = 94 - 100	B+ = 88	8 – 89 C+	- = 78 - 79	D	= 60 - 69
A- = $90 - 93$	$\mathbf{B} = 84$	4 – 87 C	= 74 - 77	F	= 0 - 59
	B- = 80	0-83 C-	= 70 - 73		

## LAB REQUIREMENTS:

Overall skill competencies will be evaluated during each lab session. ALL students will be required to:

- Participate in presentations, demonstrations and live fire exercises.
- Provide their own transportation to off campus sites (lists for ride share will be available)
- Wear appropriate clothing, (does not limit motions yet comfortable)
- Wear appropriate footwear (No open toed shoes of any kind)
- Wear the appropriate safety gear as defined by the instructor at all times

**Professional Dispositions** Students are expected to exhibit professional behaviors and dispositions at all times.

WEEK	Τορις	Readings and Assignments/ Expected Proficiency
Week 1	Review Q&A/ DEADLINES/ REQUIREMENTS	Determine the level of comfort each
Jan 25	Take NRA Range Safety Test and fill out waivers	student has handling a firearm and/or
Meet at	Review pistol nomenclature & basic types of pistols	handgun.
Main NRA	Demonstrate components and identification of the	Identify the major components of all 3
HQ	different types of pistols	types of pistols.
Shooting	Introduction to firearm safety, range rules and	Identify the 3 NRA rules for safety of
Range	common sense with a firearm.	ANY firearm in ANY situation.

# **Tentative Course Schedule**

WEEK	Τορις	Readings and Assignments/ Expected Proficiency
Week #2 Feb 1 Meet at NRA	Review the NRA Range Policies and Procedures Review firearm safety and common sense rules Review Range CommandsFIREARMS HANDLING PRACTICALContinue Handguns 101 classroom lecture Target scoring exercise	Assignment – Review NRA Range rules Safety quiz
Week 3 Feb 8 <sup>th</sup>	Continue Handguns 101 classroom Lecture FIREARMS HANDLING PRACTICAL LIVE FIRE Benchrest – 10 rounds Standing – 10 rounds Freestyle shooting – best 3 targets	Review textbooks. Score targets
Week 4 Feb 15	Classoon Briefing / Course of Fire "Dot" Drill live fire	Score "Dot" targets
Week 5 Feb 22	Classroom briefing / course of fire: SLOW FIRE Slow fire mock tournament Best 3 targets – string of 10 shots 15 feet	Score smallbore bullseye targets
Week 6 Mar 1	Classroom Briefing / Course of Fire : TIMED FIRE Timed Fire Mock Tournament CoF: Best 3 targets – string of 10 shots	Review Practice Logs/ suggest changes to improve performance
Week 7 Mar 8 40 rounds	LIVE FIRE 2 TIMED FIRE targets (20 rds std target) LIVE FIRE 2 RAPID FIRE targets (20 rds std target)	Review Practice Logs/ suggest changes to improve performance <b>REVIEW USA PMTG</b> <b>Chapters 7 -10 for Wk #9</b>

WEEK	Τορις	<b>Readings and Assignments/</b> <b>Expected Proficiency</b>
NO CLA	SS MARCH 15 !!!! SPRING BREAK	
Week 9 Mar 22 30 rounds	<i>National Match Course</i> Time per 10 Range Type Fire Shot String Strings Target 50 yds Slow 10 minutes 1 B-6 Time per 5 Range Type Fire Shot String Strings Target 25 yds Timed 20 seconds 2 B-8 25 yds Rapid 10 seconds 2 B-8	
Week 10 Mar 29 60 rounds	<u>Camp Perry Course</u> Time per 10 Range Type Fire Shot String Strings Target 25 yds Slow 5 minutes 1 B-8 Time per 5 Range Type Fire Shot String Strings Target 25 yds Timed 20 seconds 2 B-8 25 yds Rapid 10 seconds 2 B-8	• Scored targets
Week 11 Apr 5 60 rounds	Exam/Cleaning Demo	
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WEEK	Торіс	Readings and Assignments/ Expected Proficiency
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Note: Faculty reserves the right to alter the schedule as necessary, with notification to students.

# **Core Values Commitment**

The College of Education and Human Development is committed to collaboration, ethical leadership, innovation, research-based practice, and social justice. Students are expected to adhere to these principles: http://cehd.gmu.edu/values/.

# **GMU Policies and Resources for Students**

Policies

- Students must adhere to the guidelines of the University Honor Code (see http://oai.gmu.edu/the-mason-honor-code/).
- Students must follow the university policy for Responsible Use of Computing (see http://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/policies/responsible-use-of-computing/).
- Students are responsible for the content of university communications sent to their Mason email account and are required to activate their account and check it regularly. All communication from the university,

college, school, and program will be sent to students solely through their Mason email account.

- Students with disabilities who seek accommodations in a course must be registered with George Mason University Disability Services. Approved accommodations will begin at the time the written letter from Disability Services is received by the instructor (see http://ods.gmu.edu/).
- Students must follow the university policy stating that all sound emitting devices shall be silenced during class unless otherwise authorized by the instructor. *Campus Resources*
- Support for submission of assignments to Tk20 should be directed to tk20help@gmu.edu or https://cehd.gmu.edu/api/tk20. Questions or concerns regarding use of Blackboard should be directed to http://coursessupport.gmu.edu/.
- The George Mason University Writing Center staff provides a variety of resources and services (e.g., tutoring, workshops, writing guides, handbooks) intended to support students as they work to construct and share knowledge through writing (see http://writingcenter.gmu.edu/).
- The George Mason University Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) staff consists of professional counseling and clinical psychologists, social workers, and counselors who offer a wide range of services (e.g., individual and group counseling, workshops and outreach programs) to enhance students' personal experience and academic performance (see http://caps.gmu.edu/). Template Revision Date: August 2016 3
- The George Mason University Office of Student Support staff helps students negotiate life situations by connecting them with appropriate campus and off-campus resources. Students in need of these services may contact the office by phone (703-993-5376). Concerned students, faculty and staff may also make a referral to express concern for the safety or well-being of a Mason student or the community by going to http://studentsupport.gmu.edu/, and the OSS staff will follow up with the student.

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# **DIRECTIONS TO THE NRA RANGE FROM George Mason University**

- From 4400 University Dr., head west on University Dr toward Occoquan River Ln
- Take the 1<sup>st</sup> right onto VA-123 N/Ox Rd
- After 0.6 miles, turn Left onto Judicial Dr.
- After 0.4 miles, turn right to stay on Judicial Dr.
- After 0.3 miles, turn left onto Main Street.
- After 1.2 miles, continue onto US-50/Lee Jackson Memorial Hwy
- After 0.1 miles, turn right onto VA-665/Waples Mill Rd.
- After 0.4 miles, the NRA Headquarters will be on the right.
- Stay left of the left NRA Headquarters tower and proceed down the hill to the lower parking area.
- Your destination will be in the lower parking garage area.

