# Miami Dade College

#### Course Description

### CJK0040 | CMS Criminal Justice Firearm | 2.66 credits

Students will learn how to use both handguns and shotguns. Students must qualify with both weapons under both daylight and night conditions. Students must also demonstrate the ability for both accuracy and decision making. Students are also introduced to chemical weapons and their effects.

### Course Competencies:

**Competency 1:** The student will learn to become familiar with a shotgun by:

- 1. Identifying shotgun parts with correct nomenclature
- 2. Describing the function of shotgun parts
- 3. Identifying the steps to safely handle the shotgun

**Competency 2**: The student will learn to become familiar with a semiautomatic rifle/carbine by:

- 1. Identifying semiautomatic rifle/carbine parts with correct nomenclature
- 2. Describing the function of semiautomatic rifle/carbine parts
- 3. Identifying the steps to safely handle the semiautomatic rifle/carbine

**Competency 3:** The student will learn proper identification and maintenance of ammunition by:

- 1. Identifying ammunition parts and nomenclature
- 2. Identifying ammunition by appearance and caliber
- 3. Identifying shotgun ammunition by appearance and gauge
- 4. Identifying any abnormalities or defects on ammunition
- 5. Identifying proper storage procedures for ammunition
- 6. Differentiating between duty life and shelf life
- 7. Learning proper storage and handling of ammunition

**Competency 4:** The student will learn the fundamentals of marksmanship of a handgun by:

- 1. Acquiring a proper grip with a handgun
- 2. Obtaining sight alignment with a handgun. 3. Obtaining sight picture with a handgun
- 3. Pulling/squeezing the trigger until the handgun discharges (trigger control)
- 4. Releasing pressure on the trigger until the trigger reengages (trigger reset)
- 5. Following through after the cartridge is fired
- 6. Assuming an appropriate shooting position with the handgun from behind cover
- 7. Identifying shooting stances to use when shooting a handgun
- 8. Shooting a handgun while using a flashlight
- 9. Identifying techniques for shooting a handgun while using a flashlight

**Competency 5:** The student will learn firearms safety and firearms safety procedures by:

- 1. Identifying shooting hand
- 2. Identifying support hand
- 3. Identifying the common cause of most firearm accidents
- 4. Identifying the general rules of safety that should be applied to all firearms
- 5. Identifying what safety rules to follow on the range
- 6. Identifying the requirements in the Florida statutes for storing a firearm

**Competency 6:** The student will learn to become familiar with a revolver by:

- 1. Identifying revolver parts with correct nomenclature
- 2. Describing the function of revolver parts

3. Identifying the steps to follow to safely handle a revolver

Competency 7: The student will learn to become familiar with a semiautomatic pistol by:

- 1. Identifying semiautomatic pistol parts with correct nomenclature
- 2. Describing the function of semiautomatic pistol parts
- 3. Identifying the steps to safely handle a semiautomatic pistol

**Competency 8:** The student will learn the fundamentals of marksmanship of a shotgun by:

- 1. Identify shooting stances to use when shooting a shotgun
- 2. Assuming an appropriate shooting stance with the shotgun from behind cover
- 3. Obtaining sight alignment using a bead-sighted shotgun
- 4. Obtaining sight picture with a shotgun
- 5. Pulling/squeezing the trigger until the shotgun discharges (trigger control)
- 6. Releasing pressure on the trigger until the trigger reengages (trigger reset)
- 7. Following through after the shell is fired

**Competency 9:** The student will learn the fundamentals of marksmanship of a semiautomatic rifle/carbine by:

- 1. Acquiring the proper grip with the semiautomatic rifle/carbine
- 2. Identifying shooting stances to use when shooting a semiautomatic rifle/carbine
- 3. Assuming an appropriate shooting stance with the semiautomatic rifle/carbine from behind cover
- 4. Shouldering the semiautomatic rifle/carbine
- 5. Obtaining the cheek weld with the semiautomatic rifle/carbine
- 6. Obtaining sight alignment with the semiautomatic rifle/carbine
- 7. Obtaining sight picture with the semiautomatic rifle/carbine
- 8. Controlling the trigger until the semiautomatic rifle/carbine discharges
- 9. Releasing pressure on the trigger until the trigger resets
- 10. Following through after the cartridge is fired

**Competency 10:** The student will learn drawing and holstering a handgun by:

- 1. Disengaging the holster retention device(s) for a holstered handgun
- 2. Drawing the handgun upward from a holster with the retention devices unfastened
- 3. Acquiring a proper grip on a holstered handgun
- 4. Securing the handgun in the holster using retention device(s)
- 5. Using the thumb of the shooting hand on the rear of the slide to prevent cocking the semiautomatic pistol

**Competency 11**: the student will learn loading and unloading a revolver by:

- 1. Inserting ammunition into a speed loader for a revolver
- 2. Pointing the muzzle of the revolver in a safe direction
- 3. Disengaging the revolvers cylinder release latch
- 4. Pushing/pressing the revolvers cylinder out of frame alignment
- 5. Inserting ammunition into the revolvers cylinder by hand
- 6. Inserting the ammunition into the revolvers cylinder using a speed loader
- 7. Extracting the spent revolver cartridge casings
- 8. Inspecting the cylinder chambers to ensure that all spent cartridge casings have been extracted

**Competency 12**: The student will learn loading and unloading: semiautomatic pistol by:

- 1. Loading the magazine for the semiautomatic pistol
- 2. Pointing the muzzle of the semiautomatic pistol in a safe direction
- 3. Inserting a loaded magazine into the magazine well of the semiautomatic pistol

- 4. Chambering a cartridge with the semiautomatic pistol
- 5. Removing the magazine from the semiautomatic pistol
- 6. Ejecting the cartridge from the chamber of the semiautomatic pistol

**Competency 13**: The student will learn loading and unloading: shotgun by:

- 1. Holding the shotgun by the stock when loading
- 2. Engaging/moving safety
- 3. Loading the shotgun while pointing the barrel in a safe direction
- 4. Moving the fore-end/slide forward, away from the receiver
- 5. Inserting shotgun shells into the magazine tube
- 6. Chambering a shell when shells are inserted into the magazine tube of the shotgun
- 7. Holding the loaded shotgun by the grip
- 8. Engaging the action/slide release of the loaded shotgun
- 9. Removing any chambered shell through the ejection port of the shotgun
- 10. Removing the shell(s) from the magazine tube of the shotgun
- 11. Inspecting the chamber and magazine tube of the unloaded shotgun to ensure that no shell remains

**Competency 14:** The student will learn loading and unloading a semiautomatic rifle/carbine by:

- 1. Inserting a loaded magazine into the magazine well of the semiautomatic rifle/carbine
- 2. Chambering a cartridge in the semiautomatic rifle/carbine
- 3. Removing the magazine from the semiautomatic rifle/carbine
- 4. Extracting the cartridge from the chamber from a semiautomatic rifle/carbine with the magazine removed
- 5. Locking the action in the open position on an unloaded semiautomatic rifle/carbine
- 6. Inspecting the unloaded semiautomatic rifle/carbine for any cartridges with the action locked in the open position

**Competency 15:** The student will learn "use of cover" by:

- 1. Defining cover
- 2. Defining concealment
- 3. Identifying tactical considerations in the use of cover and concealment
- 4. Identifying factors to consider before moving
- 5. Using cover properly when given a threat
- 6. Identifying appropriate shooting stances from behind cover

**Competency 16**: The student will learn/become familiar with revolver malfunctions by:

- 1. Keeping the barrel of a weapon with a malfunction pointed in a safe direction
- 2. Removing the finger from trigger of a weapon with a malfunction
- 3. Identifying revolver malfunctions
- 4. Identifying a squib load in a revolver
- 5. Switching to a secondary weapon when a squib load occurs in a loaded revolver
- 6. Correcting the revolver malfunction using the proper technique

**Competency 17:** The student will learn about semiautomatic pistol malfunctions by:

- 1. Identifying the types of semiautomatic pistol malfunctions that may occur
- 2. Identifying a squib load in a semiautomatic pistol
- 3. Correcting the semiautomatic pistol
- 4. malfunction using the proper technique(s)

Competency 18: the student will learn about shotgun malfunctions by:

- 1. Identifying the shotgun malfunction
- 2. Correcting the shotgun malfunction using the proper technique(s)

**Competency 19:** the student will learn about semiautomatic rifle/carbine malfunctions by:

- 1. Identifying the semiautomatic rifle/carbine malfunctions
- 2. Identifying a squib load in a semiautomatic rifle/carbine
- 3. Transitioning to a secondary means of defense when a squib load occurs
- 4. Correcting the malfunction of the semiautomatic rifle/carbine using the proper technique(s)

**COMPETENCY 20:** The student will demonstrate revolver cleaning by:

- 1. Identifying the proper supplies/tools to use when cleaning the revolver
- 2. Cleaning the revolver, removing all lead, powder, debris, and dirt
- 3. Lubricating the revolver lightly
- 4. Reassembling the cleaned revolver dependent upon the make and model of the weapon
- 5. Checking the function of a cleaned revolver
- 6. Returning the revolver to safe storage and/or securely re-holster the weapon
- 7. Disposing of all debris and contaminated/used cleaning supplies appropriately
- 8. Washing hands after cleaning a revolver

**Competency 21:** The student will demonstrate semiautomatic pistol cleaning by:

- 1. Field-stripping the semiautomatic pistol based on make and model of weapon
- 2. Identifying the proper supplies/tools to use when cleaning the semiautomatic pistol
- 3. Cleaning the semiautomatic pistol, removing all lead, powder, debris, and dirt
- 4. Lubricating the semiautomatic pistol using lubricant and cloth/patches
- 5. Reassembling the cleaned semiautomatic pistol properly
- 6. Checking the function of a clean, reassembled semiautomatic pistol
- 7. Returning the cleaned semiautomatic pistol to safe storage and/or securely re-holster the weapon
- 8. Disposing of all debris and contaminated/used cleaning supplies appropriately
- 9. Washing hands after cleaning a semiautomatic pistol

Competency 22: The student will demonstrate shotgun cleaning by:

- 1. Field-stripping the shotgun based on make and model
- 2. Identifying the proper supplies/tools to use when cleaning the shotgun
- 3. Cleaning the shotgun, removing all lead, powder, debris, and dirt
- 4. Lubricating the shotgun
- 5. Reassembling the shotgun properly
- 6. Checking the function of a cleaned, reassembled shotgun
- 7. Returning the cleaned shotgun to safe storage and/or securely re-case the weapon
- 8. Disposing of all debris and contaminated/used cleaning supplies appropriately
- 9. Washing hands after cleaning a shotgun

**Competency 24:** The student will learn survival shooting with a handgun by:

- 1. Disengaging the holster retention device(s) with the support hand
- 2. Unloading the revolver using one hand
- 3. Loading a revolver using one hand

**Competency 25:** The student will learn survival shooting/discretionary shooting by:

- 1. Scanning surroundings for possible threats
- 2. Identifying various methods of moving to cover and/or concealment

## Learning Outcomes:

- Communicate effectively using listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills.
- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Demonstrate knowledge of ethical thinking and its application to issues in society