

FOUNDATION

The Drummond Family Nursing Endowment was created as a result of a gift from the Drummond Family Foundation in 2001.

Their generous contribution has led to annual financial support of nursing students who graduate and become productive and life-saving members of society.

The Drummond Family Nursing Endowed Scholarship is awarded to students who are full-time nursing students with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Preference is given to students who reside in Johnston or Marshall County. The student must have accumulated a minimum of 21 semester hours to be eligible for consideration and must be enrolled in at least 9 credit hours each semester. This scholarship is awarded for the fall semesters and available for spring, pending GPA and funding availability.



To contribute to the success of nurses and healthcare education at Murray State's nationally recognized program, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/mscfendowments>.

ALUMNI

Mike Grim is a recent graduate of the Murray State College Gunsmithing Program in Tishomingo, Oklahoma; he now resides in Frisco, Texas. The following describes his thoughts on the MSC Gunsmithing Program.



As I began to wind down my corporate business career, I wanted to finally do something just for me that I would enjoy. I had always been around firearms and enjoyed shooting them and tinkering with them, but I really wanted to know the intricacies of firearms. To that end, I took a summer NRA course at Murray State, and I was hooked. I graduated from Oklahoma State University years before with a degree in Nuclear Engineering Technology, so I was able to focus solely on gunsmithing. I asked to apply and was told the incoming freshman class was already full. So, I waited a year, and then applied again and was accepted.

The instructors and the coursework were amazing. My instructors were experts in gunsmithing; they had practical, hands-on experience that they could impart to the students. Although having previously graduated from a formidable program, I believe participating in the gunsmithing program was one of the hardest things I have ever done in my life. To be a gunsmith, you must have experience in (or be able to learn) math, metallurgy, welding, physics, machining, metal forming and shaping, and chemistry, just to name a few. You also must be very inquisitive about how things work.

During my time in the program, my classmates and instructors became life-long friends. In May 2022, I graduated from Murray State with an Associate of Applied Science degree in Gunsmithing. After graduation, I started my own company, Hawk & Dove LLC, in Frisco, Texas.

I hold a Federal Firearms License (FFL), which means I can buy, sell and trade firearms to clients, but it also requires me to comply at all times with regulations enforced by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF.) I have also received Factory Armorer Certifications from Glock and SIG Sauer, a Range Safety Officer Certification from the NRA, and I am a member of the National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) and the NRA.

“Murray State is looking to make the gunsmithing program into a four-year program. I heartily endorse this move.”

MIKE GRIM
Murray State Alumni