

# **Contracting and Acquisition Career Program (CP-14) ACTEDS Competitive Professional Development (CPD) Program**

## **FY 2010 Announcement**

The U.S. Army Acquisition Support Center, Acquisition Career Development Division, Career Programs Branch, is pleased to announce the Fiscal Year 2010 ACTEDS Competitive Professional Development (CPD) Program training opportunities for the Contracting and Acquisition Career Program (CP-14) careerists.

As our contracting mission continues to expand, we must ensure that our contracting workforce is equipped at all levels with the knowledge-based tools and experiences necessary to fulfill their greater responsibilities. The CPD training program is our primary tool used to educate and train the Army contracting workforce in the latest business analysis and management techniques through formal degree-granting university programs and executive education. CPD opportunities include short-term training, such as leadership seminars and courses to enhance management and leadership skills. In addition, the CPD Program provides high-potential individuals with experiential and developmental assignments to broaden perspectives and participate in the Army policy-making, program execution functions, and career management.

The CPD Program within CP-14 emphasizes distribution of limited funds across a wide spectrum of training, education and developmental activities to prepare our contracting workforce for the challenges of the future in contracting and acquisition. This mix of education, training and developmental activities supports the Army Leader Development model, the Army Acquisition Corps model, and policies for continuing education, acquisition excellence, leadership and management education established by the Department of Defense for contracting personnel.

The Army Acquisition Professional Development System (AAPDS) will be used to apply for CPD Program funded opportunities. AAPDS can be accessed through the CAMP/CAPPMIS website at: <https://rda.altess.army.mil/camp>. The website will be the same one used to access your Individual Development Plan (IDP) and Acquisition Career Record Brief (ACRB). The course or program that you are applying for must first be included in your IDP. AAPDS is connected to the IDP and will import supervisory approved training into the application system. Once in AAPDS, applicants may click on the event for which they want to apply and proceed.

Selection for CPD funded programs is competitive. Upon approval of the applicants and final selections are made, selectees will receive an e-mail message requesting completion of a Standard Form 182 (and DD Form 1610, if required) in the Resource Allocation and Selection System (RASS). The RASS website can be found at: <https://acpwap.army.mil/rass/>. Applicants cannot begin the training course or program until they have received an approved and funded request from the Army G-1 budget office. Funding for all CPD Programs is subject to the availability of funding.

Additional information on the CPD Program can be found in the ACTEDS Training Catalog on the CPOL website at: <http://cpol.army.mil/library/train/catalog/>.

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