

BACK-TO-BASICS: CONTRACTING

Why Modernize?

The **Contracting (CON)** Functional Area updated training, education, and experience requirements for their community as part of the initiative to modernize the implementation of the **Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA)** certification framework. At the core of BtB is lifelong learning – required training will be streamlined and supplemented by a rich array of role-specific training to meet individual needs.



Proposed Certification Requirements:

Training

- CON 1100V, CON 1200V, CON 1300V, CON 1400V, CON 3900V (Optional), CON 3990V (Exam)

CON Acquisition Experience

- 12 months full time experience applying Contracting Common Competencies

Education: No degree required for certification

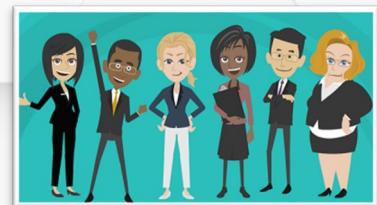
CLP Requirement: 80 hours every two years

What's New in February '22?

- The updated framework features a single tier of certification: **Foundational**.
- Certification training hours have been reduced by approximately 72%.
- After certification, the **Defense Acquisition Credential** Program provides job-relevant, point-of-need training in specific acquisition topics.

More Time to Complete...

Planning is underway to potentially expand the current two year grace period to complete certification requirements to three years for **Foundational**.



["Why Modernize?" Video](#)

What's Next?

Full implementation of the Back-to-Basics framework is planned for February 2022.

For more information, refer to: <https://www.hci.mil/btb.html>

Already Certified?

Previously earned DAWIA certifications will remain on an individual's training history. For CON, workforce members may be eligible to transition to Contracting Professional if a position is coded into the Contracting Functional Area and if currently certified at any level in CON, Purchasing (PUR), or Industrial Contract Property Management (ICPM).

More resources coming soon!