Why Modernize?

The Contracting (CON) Functional Area updated training, education, and experience requirements for its 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 acquisition workforce needs.

Proposed Certification Requirements

Training:
- CON 1100V, CON 1200V, CON 1300V, CON 1400V, CON 3900V (Optional)

Exam: CON 3990V

CON Acquisition Experience: 12 months full time experience applying Contracting Common Competencies

Education: No degree required for certification

CLP Requirement: 80 CL Points every two years

What’s New for February ‘22?

- The updated framework features a single certification tier: Professional.
- Certification training hours have been reduced by approximately 73%.
- 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 Professional.

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).

What’s Next?

Full implementation of the Back-to-Basics framework is planned for February 2022. For more information, refer to: https://www.dau.edu/back-to-basics

Certification Eligibility Tool