

BACK-TO-BASICS (BtB): TEST & EVALUATION

Why Modernize?



The **Test & Evaluation (T&E)** 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

- **Foundational:** ACQ 1010, ENG 101, TST 102
- **Practitioner:** ACQ 2020, ACQ 2030/V, ENG 201, TST 2040/V

T&E Acquisition Experience

- **Foundational:** 1 year
- **Practitioner:** 4 years

Education: No degree required for certification

CLP Requirement: 80 CL Points every two years

What's New for February '22?

- The updated framework features two certification tiers: **Foundational** and **Practitioner**
- Certification training hours have been reduced by approximately **32%**.
- 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** and five years for **Practitioner**.



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>

Already Certified?

Previously earned DAWIA certifications will remain on an individual's training history. For T&E, workforce members may be eligible to transition if currently certified at: **Level I:** Foundational; **Level II:** Practitioner; **Level III:** Practitioner



[Certification Eligibility Tool](#)