

# BACK-TO-BASICS (BtB): CONTRACTING

## 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 is streamlined and supplemented by a rich array of role-specific training to meet acquisition workforce needs.



## 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**.



## What's Next?

Full implementation of the Back-to-Basics framework is effective 1 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 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).



[Certification Eligibility Tool](#)