

BACK-TO-BASICS (BtB): ENGINEERING AND TECHNICAL MANAGEMENT

Why Modernize?



The **Engineering and Technical Management (ETM)** 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, ETM 1010, ETM 1020, ETM 1030, ETM 1040, ETM 1050, ETM 1060, ETM 1070, ETM 1080, ETM 1090
- **Practitioner:** ETM 2010V, ETM 2020V, ETM 2030V, ETM 2040V, ETM 2050V, ETM 2060, ETM 2070V, ETM 2080V, ETM 2090V

ETM Acquisition Experience

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

Education: No degree required for certification

CLP Requirement: 80 CL Points every two years

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 New for February '22?

- The updated framework features two certification tiers: **Foundational** and **Practitioner**
- Certification training hours have been reduced by approximately **59%***.
- After certification, the [Defense Acquisition Credential Program](#) provides job-relevant, point-of-need training in specific acquisition topics.

*Percentage based on ENG career field



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 ETM, workforce members may be eligible to transition if currently certified at:

- **Level I (ENG/S&TM/IT/PQM):** Foundational
- **Level II (ENG/S&TM/IT):** Practitioner
- **Level II (PQM):** Foundational
- **Level III (ENG/S&TM/IT/PQM):** Practitioner



[Certification Eligibility Tool](#)