

## Defense Acquisition University (DAU) Recommended Review

The Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA) was passed into law by Congress in November of 1990. The Act requires the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics (AT&L) to have established education and training standards, requirements, and courses for the civilian and military acquisition workforce. As a Contract Specialist, the following courses are required to become certified:

- [CON 1100V Contract Foundational Skills](#)
- [CON 1200V Contract Pre-Award](#)
- [CON 1300V Contract Award](#)
- [CON 1400V Contract Post-Award](#)
- [CON 3900V Contracting Certification Exam Prep Course](#) – optional but will be required if an individual fails the Contracting Certification Exam (CON 3990V) on their first attempt
- [CON 3910 Online Contracting Certification Exam Prep](#)
- [CON 3990V Contracting Certification Exam](#)

Recommended Credentials – courses that can be taken after being certified

- [CCON 011 Construction Contracting Credential](#)
- [CCON 012 Architect-Engineering \(A-E\) Contracting Credential](#)
- [CCON 025 Contracting for Services Credential](#)

Videos – keep in mind these encompass ALL DoD, not just Navy so some procedures may differ slightly.

Recommended for individuals brand new to contracting:

- CON Certification Prep Course(s) and Exam Webinar 9/12/2023 (1hr, 10min)
- Contract Modifications – COR Office Hours 11/14/2023 (1hr, 3min)
- Contract Types – COR Office Hours 11/07/2023 (1hr, 2min)
- Inherently Governmental – COR Office Hours 10/17/2023 (1hr, 2min)
- Contracts gone wrong – COR Office Hours 01/16/2024 (1hr, 2min)
- How to conduct market research – COR Office Hours 10/24/2023 (1hr, 4min)

Recommended for individuals familiar with contracting:

- Buy American – Construction (1hr, 45min)
- Follow-Up On Buy American: Construction Webinar (1hr, 46min)
- Lifecycle Funds Management (47min)
- Let's Talk Contracting – Fair Opportunity Competitive Selection Processes (59min)
- Let's Talk Contracting Fair Opportunity Leveraging FAR Flexibility – 20240404 (1hr, 2min)
- Buy American for a Navy Supply Procurement (1hr, 39min)
- GAO Highlights: Small Business Contracting Key Issues Webinar (1hr, 25min)
- DAU SBA Panel Discussion - 20240321 (1hr, 1min)
- DAU SBA Panel Discussion Limitations on Subcontracting (1hr)
- CORs & Negotiations – COR Office Hours 3/12/2024 (1hr, 3min)
- Foundations for New CORs – COR Office Hours 3/05/2024 (1hr, 2min)
- Assessing Contractor Labor Law Violations Responsibility and Debarment Part 1 (1hr, 50min)
- Assessing Contractor Labor Law – Responsibility & Debarment Part 2 (2hr, 2min)
- Avoiding Unauthorized Commitments – COR Office Hours 10/03/2023 (1hr, 3min)

Useful Tools (once you have access to NMCI, highly recommend bookmarking the sites as they can change at any time):

- [Subway Map](#):
- [Clause & Provision Matrix](#):
- [DoD Class Deviations](#):
- [Contract Modification Authority Decision Help Guide](#):