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Mission

Provide practitioner training, career management, and services to enable the Defense Acquisition Workforce to make smart business decisions and deliver timely and affordable capabilities to the warfighter.

Vision

Enabling the Defense Acquisition Workforce to achieve the right acquisition outcomes.

Goals

Provide a fully integrated learning environment in concert with other talent-management initiatives that engages the learner at the point of need.

Continuously improve our mission/support processes and management.

Support transformation in acquisition, technology, and logistics through thought leadership, innovation, and workforce support.

Ensure DAU is a great place to work by providing an environment valuing achievement, growth, diversity, and career-long learning to enhance job performance.

Listen to and learn from our customers and stakeholders to exceed their expectations.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to the Defense Acquisition University, a best-in-class corporate university for the Defense Acquisition Workforce. Everything we do at DAU is for you, the acquisition professional—from classroom and online courses, career management, continuous learning modules, knowledge-sharing assets, communities of practice, research, performance support, to consulting. As your learning partner, we plan to be with you in the classroom, online, and in your workplace, whenever and wherever you need DAU learning and performance-support assets.

With that in mind, we have intensified our efforts to provide not only the best classroom and online training, but also real-time DAU resources before, during, and after the training. Given the rapid pace of change, we are leveraging all of our learning concepts and technologies to provide the right knowledge and skills at your learning point of need.

Most important, all the courses and learning assets listed in this catalog are meant to help you develop and manage acquisition programs, projects, and systems that continue to make our nation's warfighters the best-equipped armed forces in the world. To emphasize our commitment to your future success, we maintain as our strategic vision, "Enabling the Defense Acquisition Workforce to achieve the right acquisition outcomes."

Frank J. Anderson Jr.

Frank J. Anderson, Jr.
President
Defense Acquisition University



AT&L Performance Learning Model

To help shape a culture that promotes career-long learning at the point of need, DAU adopted the Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics (AT&L) Performance Learning Model (PLM), which lays the foundation for meeting the professional development needs of the Defense Acquisition Workforce.

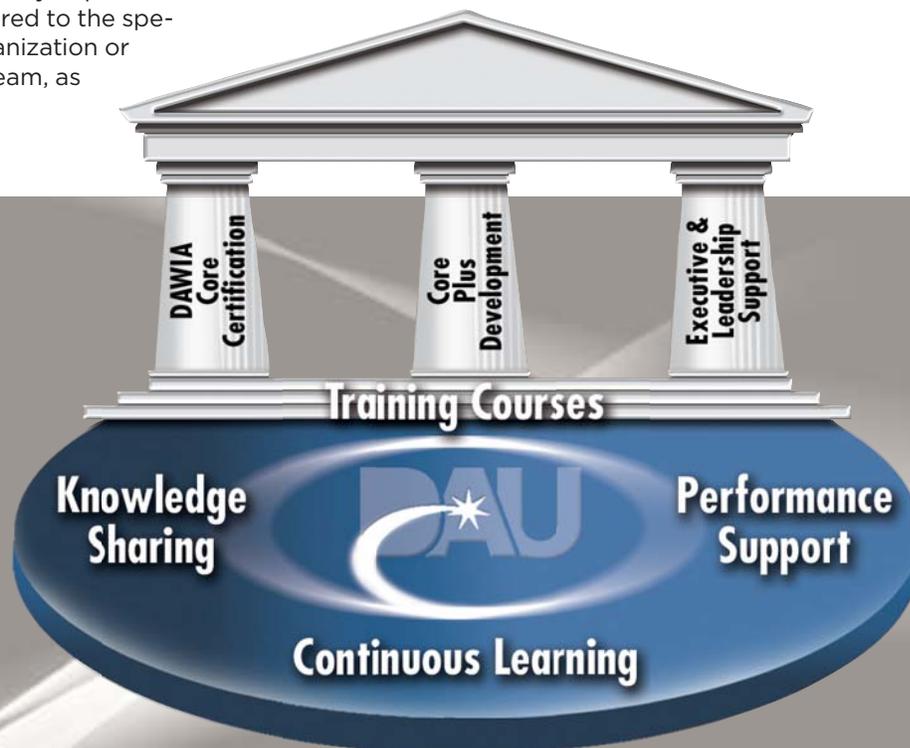
Training courses offered at DAU were established as a result of the Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA), which identifies, by career field and certification level, education, training, and experience requirements for all Defense Acquisition Workforce members. In the ever-changing acquisition environment of the 21st century, however, it has become clear that currency in any given career field requires more than certification training alone. To complement the DAWIA requirements, DAU now offers learning assets that are accessible to all workforce members anytime and anywhere.

Performance support is tailored to customer needs and may include consulting, targeted training, rapid-deployment training, and group facilitation. Rapid-deployment training involves focusing on a limited number of emerging initiatives and delivering training within days of new policy implementation. Targeted training is tailored to the specific needs of an organization or integrated product team, as required.

The DAU **Continuous Learning Center** offers opportunities designed to allow employees to maintain currency and help them meet the DoD requirement to complete 80 points of continuous learning every 2 years. DAU also hosts and participates in a variety of public forum events such as conferences, symposia, and expos, which promote learning and offer continuous learning opportunities.

Knowledge sharing is an inherent function of any educational institution. The AT&L Knowledge Sharing System (AKSS) provides online access to a variety of tools and reference materials that facilitate supporting the warfighter. The Acquisition Community Connection (ACC) hosts online communities of practice that provide an electronic forum for sharing knowledge, information, lessons learned, and best practices. DAU's David D. Acker Library supports the university's curricula and its research in defense acquisitions.

Each of these elements of the PLM is addressed fully in Chapter 3 of this catalog.



What's New in DAU and the Defense Acquisition Community

New Defense Acquisition Portal Available Next Year

Coming to you in May 2009! DAU is facilitating the development of a Defense Acquisition Portal addressing all of the life cycle processes in DoD acquisition, including joint requirements definition and analysis; human systems integration and human capital initiatives; budget and financial management; and overarching systemic DoD policy, guidance, and direction.

The DAP will provide an access gateway to all things related to the "Big A" processes and products under one sharing umbrella. Content on the DAP home page will be general in nature, focusing on news, announcements, training, search functions, Ask-a-Professor, and similar services. Icons at the top of the page will provide Web 2.0 tools for e-mailing the page and bookmarking. Tabs across the top of the white space provide navigation to major elements of interest to the acquisition workforce. Watch the Acquisition Community Connection Web site at <https://acc.dau.mil/communitybrowser.aspx> for updates.

Changes to DAU Contracting Courses

Starting in January 2009, CON 100, Shaping Smart Business Arrangements, will be change from a resident

course to a distance learning course. Also beginning in January 2009, CON 217, Cost Analysis and Negotiation Techniques, will change from a distance learning course to a combined Web-based online and resident course. When implemented, this course will be treated as a resident course for registration purposes.

Request an Official DAU Transcript

Those who have attended DAU courses can receive a transcript that provides a record of all courses completed at DAU as well as DAU course credit gained by completing an equivalent course, DAU course credit gained through the fulfillment program, and reserve retirement points (for military students only). It is your and your component's responsibility to ensure equivalencies and fulfillments are properly recorded. Information about equivalencies and fulfillments is provided at www.dau.mil/registrar/studentinfo/student_info_h.asp.

To obtain your transcript, go to www.dau.mil/registrar/faq.asp#transcript and click "Get a Transcript." You'll be directed to the online transcript system, where you'll be asked to log on using either your CAC or your SSN/date of birth. Once in the transcript system, you can print a transcript at your desk or request an official transcript with a raised DoD seal be sent to a college. Transcripts are usually processed within 5 working days.

Creating an environment where we learn before, during, and after the training experience.

Transcripts reflect all DAU coursework successfully completed since the university's founding in 1993 and coursework that has been processed through the Army Training Requirements and Resources System (ATRRS). To obtain training records of courses taken prior to 1993, you should contact the school at which the training was taken.

Questions regarding transcripts should be directed to DAU Student Services at dau.transcript@dau.mil.

New International Acquisition Career Path

A new International Acquisition career path was established by the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics (USD[AT&L]) in June 2007. The new career path is initially aligned with the Program Management career field. In the future, the USD(AT&L) expects the same approach to apply to international acquisition specialties in other acquisition career fields. The functional leader for the new career path is the Director, International Cooperation, in the Office of the USD(AT&L). Implementation of the International Acquisition career path will commence in the beginning of FY09.

The International Acquisition career path is distinct and separate from the Defense Security Cooperation Agency-sponsored International Affairs Certification

Program (<http://personnelinitiatives.org/>). Eligible international acquisition personnel may elect to participate in both programs.

Advanced Facilities Engineering Course Coming Soon

To support the continuing development of workforce members in the Facilities Engineering career field, DAU will be introducing a 300-level course—FE 301, Advanced Facilities Engineering—during the second quarter of the 2008-2009 academic year. In that course, participants will experience realistic, scenario-based learning, and they will work in teams to practice developing solutions to a variety of challenges that facility engineering professionals encounter every day within DoD.

In conjunction with the deployment of this course, career field certification of Facilities Engineering at Level III is expected to be available as of April 1, 2009. Additional information regarding the availability of FE 301 and the Core Certification Standards for Level III in the Facilities Engineering career field will be available in January 2009. Check the DAU Web site at www.dau.mil for updates.

Requirements Management Certification Now Available

The Requirements Management Certification Training Program, mandated by Congress under Section 801, is now available. This new training and certification is required for anyone who has responsibility for or oversight of DoD requirements for capabilities that may be implemented through an ACAT I Major Defense Acquisition Program. The training is also recommended for all acquisition professionals and those involved in preparing or evaluating a DoD capability. To be certified, DoD personnel must complete both CLM 041, Capabilities-Based Planning, and then complete RQM 110, Core Concepts for Requirements Management.

