

CERTIFICATION PATHWAY FACT SHEET

Acquisition (ACQ) - Foundational



Defense Security Cooperation University

Defense Security Cooperation Agency

Example Positions/Jobs

- *Acquisition Management*
- *Contracting*
- *Life Cycle Logistics*
- *Engineering and Technical Management*
- *Test and Evaluation*
- *Business Financial Management*
- *Business Cost Estimating*

Functional Area Description

This Acquisition Functional Area includes acquisition of items and services under FMS or Title 10 authorities including co-production programs, international arms Cooperation (IAC), and International Cooperative Programs (ICPs). It focuses on acquiring defense articles and services using the DoD acquisition process for international partners. Specifically, workforce members will be able to identify their role within the broad framework of DoD SC acquisition.

How will this better prepare you for your work?

DoD SC acquisition is a system of systems that demands teamwork to develop SC acquisition programs effectively and responsively, while also utilizing the DoD acquisition framework to execute requirements. Fulfilling your roles and responsibilities will enable you to recall legal and policy guidance, outline complex problems, and implement DoD SC acquisition programs effectively – an essential outcome in an era of strategic competition. Ultimately this certification will prepare you to be effective and efficient in supporting execution of DoD SC acquisition programs as a Security Cooperation Acquisition Workforce member.

Foundational Certification Program of Study

Core Education and Training

Complete these **FOUR** courses:

CD 101 Foundations of Capability Development

TSFD 101 Foundations of Technology Security, Foreign Disclosure, and End-Use Controls

PMA 101 Foundations of Political-Military Activity

SC 102 Foundations of Security Cooperation

Primary Functional Area Training

Complete these courses:

INT 1110 International Acquisition/Security Cooperation Foundation

Validate in myDSCU

Leadership Training

Military: Submit "Military - SC Leadership Exemption Request"

Civilians: Submit "Civilian - SC Leadership Exemption Request" *or*
Complete LEAD 301 Lead People/Projects

Experience/ Performance Requirement

One year in a Security Cooperation Foundational billet or satisfactory performance rating

Continuous Learning Hours: Complete 40 hours every 2 years after achieving initial certification