

CERTIFICATION PATHWAY FACT SHEET

Building Partner Capacity (BPC) - Expert



Defense Security Cooperation University

Defense Security Cooperation Agency

Example Positions/Jobs

- LOR/A Development
- Country Portfolio Directors
- Country Desk Officers
- Country Case Managers
- SAPM

Functional Area Description

This functional area includes conducting mid-and long-range planning programming and budgeting for security assistance and security cooperation programs. This function includes Title 10 and Title 22 programs and activities that provide materiel assistance and related tactical and operational training to partners to develop specific defense capabilities (e.g., the consolidated train-and-equip programs) including all relevant processes and resourcing mechanisms.

How will this better prepare you for your work?

BPC professionals will understand their operating environments, become familiar with SC activities in their regions, and be able to synchronize and sequence many tools, processes, and timelines to make a difference in the world of security cooperation.

Expert Certification Program of Study

Core Education and Training

Complete these **FOUR** courses:

CD 301 Capability Development for Experts

TSFD 301 Technology Security, Foreign Disclosure, and End-use Controls for Experts

PMA 301 Political-Military Activity for Experts

REG 301 Working Across Cultures for Security Cooperation Experts

Primary Functional Area Training

Complete these courses:

BPC 301 BPC Appropriations and Processes for Experts

And ONE of the following options:

AME 330 Advanced Assessment Methodology for Strategic Planning and Program Design

ATE 340 Defense Institutional Advising for Experts

Secondary Functional Area Training

Select **ONE** of the following per your supervisor's recommendation

PR 101 Foundational Policy and Resourcing

FMS 151 Foundational Foreign Military Sales (FMS)

SCO 103 Foundations of Security Cooperation Organization (SCO)

INT 110 International Acquisition/Security Cooperation Foundation

ATE 140 Foundations of Advising for Institutional Capacity Building (ICB)

SPP 101 Introduction to the State Partnership Program

AME 150 Foundations of Assessment, Monitoring, and Evaluation

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 Expert billet or satisfactory performance rating

Continuous Learning Hours: Complete 80 hours every 2 years after achieving initial certification